

Energy Innovation Corridor

Partnering to develop a cleaner energy and transportation future for Minnesota

















EIC - What is it?

- A first-of-its-kind clean energy and transportation model in an established urban center
- An innovative energy showcase along Central Corridor Light Rail Transit
- Community engagement with measurable, targeted programs for energy efficiency, renewable energy and transportation















Coalition Partners

Public

City of Minneapolis
City of Saint Paul
Hennepin County
Ramsey County
Office of Energy Security
University of Minnesota

Community

Neighborhood Energy Connection Center for Energy & Environment

Business

Minneapolis BOMA
Saint Paul BOMA
Saint Paul Port Authority

Utilities

CenterPoint Energy
District Energy
Xcel Energy















Coalition Goals

- Energy efficiency savings 50% higher than state goals (enough for 7,100 homes)
- 9.5 GWh renewable energy supplied or generated within the corridor (enough for 1,200 homes)
- Reduced carbon emissions and creation of local jobs
- Community involvement in renewable energy, energy efficiency, electrified transportation, car share programs
- Recognized national showcase for energy and transportation

















Showcase Area



Four blocks (1/4 mile) adjacent to Central Corridor light rail and all of the University of Minnesota – Minneapolis campus.







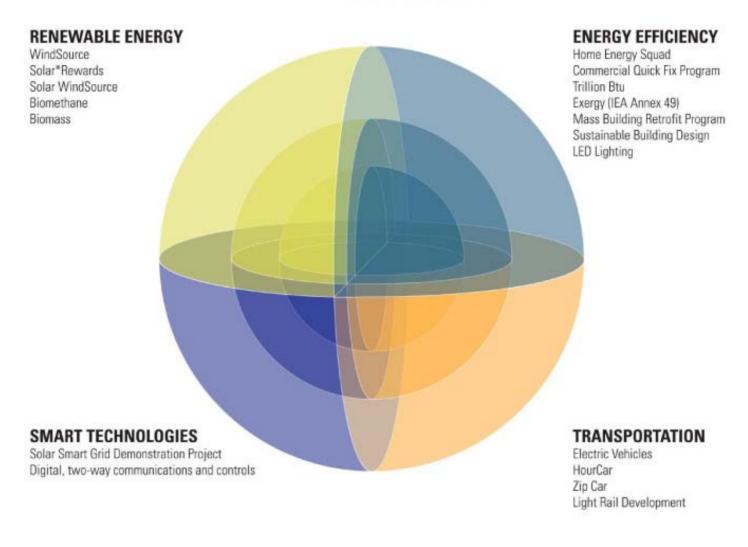






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Renewable Energy

- Solar
 - ✓ Solar Rewards
 - ✓ Solar Thermal
 - ✓ Solar Cities
 - ✓ Solar Windsource
- Windsource
- Bio methane

















Energy Efficiency

Multi Family Housing



Home Energy Squad



- Trillion BTU St Paul Port Authority
- Collaboration and Partnership in Program Marketing

















Transportation Electrification

- Plug in
 - ✓ Electric Vehicles
 - ✓ Plug in Stations
 - ✓ Hour Car/ Zip Car
 - ✓ Light Rail



















Smart Technology

Communication Platform

- Customer Communication
- System Automation
- ✓ Load Control
- Environmental Integration





















Benefit to Service Area

- Programs developed for Corridor are available to all Xcel Energy customers
- Process and procedures are template for all communities
- Involvement in programs like Transportation Electrification are open to anyone wishing to participate
- Programs provide training and experience for system











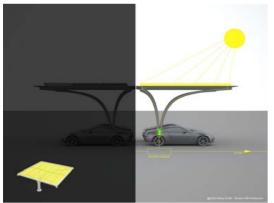




Distribution Infrastructure



























Issues & Challenges – Zoning & Permits

Solar

- Permitting Process
- ✓ Interconnect Requirements (Power Quality and Reliability)
- Fire Protection
- State Historical Preservation Office
- Shading
- Neighborhood Acceptance

Windsource

- Permitting Process
- Setback Requirements
- ✓ Interconnect Requirements

















Issues & Challenges (cont.)

Biomethane/Biomass

- Permitting Process
- ✓ Odor
- ✓ Traffic
- Digestate or Ash Disposal
- ✓ Emissions

Energy Efficiency

- Worker Certification
- Quality Control
- Solicitation Restrictions
- Credit Requirements
- ✓ State Program Rules (Monitoring & Verification)

















Issues & Challenges (cont.)

Transportation

- Permitting Process
- Technology
- Security
- Ownership of Stations
- Location of Stations
- Vehicle Standards
- Interconnect Requirements
- Worker Certification
- Bike Path Signs & Restrictions

Smart Technology

- Communication Platform
- ✓ Security Cyber Security













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