Putting All the Pieces Together: The Keys to Attracting MF Building Owner Investment in Energy Efficiency

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Mandatory Existing Building Standards...

...the Path to Significant Energy Reductions

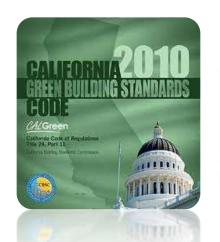
(Significant = 25-40% Energy Savings Potential)

Current Challenges

- No energy efficiency market exists outside of Municipalities, Schools, Hospitals (MUSH)
- Look at NYC EE Ordinance
- Barriers too Strong: Split incentive,
 Complex ownerships, Financing
 Inaccessibility

Current Successes

 Vehicle MPG Standards, New Building Codes demonstrate Deep Utility Savings







Mandatory Standards will Require...

...a Decade to Gain Political Consensus

Currently Opposed

- Property Owners,
- Realtors,
- Lenders

Consensus Requires Evidence of Investment Return

- Demonstrated significant savings
- Persistent Savings
- Real Estate Appreciation





Today: Focus on Occasions when MF Owners Invest in their Buildings

- 1. At time of purchase, refinancing for major rehab
- 2. When attractive utility incentives beckon
- 3. When HVAC equipment fails
- 4. When Mission-driven NPOs set Green goals
- 5. When the competitors are doing it
- 6. When the government demands it





Significant EE Investment Requires Debt

Significant means 20% savings minimum

Existing Programs:

- US DOE Weatherization
- Utility Low Income Programs
- Utility MF/Commercial programs
- State Incentive Programs

Impact

Collectively less than 1% of annual need served



Potential Game-Changers

Anchor is Financing Program

- 1. Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE))
- 2. On Bill Repayment
- 3. Housing Financing Agency Programs
- 4. Expanded Opportunities for Energy Performance Contracting



Financing Necessary but Insufficient

- 1. Strong, Effective Marketing Partners
- 2. Customized, Multi-Channeled, Segmented Market Strategy
- 3. Credible, Capable Program Administrator
- 4. Integration with Utility Incentives, other Revenue Streams
- 5. Mature Contractor Infrastructure
- 6. Quality Assurance Provisions
- 7. Straightforward, Comprehensive IT Platform serving Owners, Lenders, Contractors, Program Administrators

Most of these Elements Required to Gain Significant Owner Uptake



Programs with Most of these Attributes

- Public Service Gas & Electric: NJ
- NYSERDA & NYEEC & Benchmarking: NYC
- Austin Energy: Benchmarking & Disclosure
- Pacific Gas & Electric: 1993 Power Savings Partners
- Pending: Pay for Success: HUD and SAHF/Enterprise



Planning Programs: State Appropriate Level of Focus

- Economies of Scale for Lenders, Contractors
- Utility Footprints compatible
- Affordable Housing umbrella organizations
- State Energy Office, Housing Finance Offices, Public Utility Regulatory Commissions important stakeholders

