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***FINANCING CLEAN ENERGY IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING THROUGH
GREEN BANKS: CT GREEN BANK APPROACHES***

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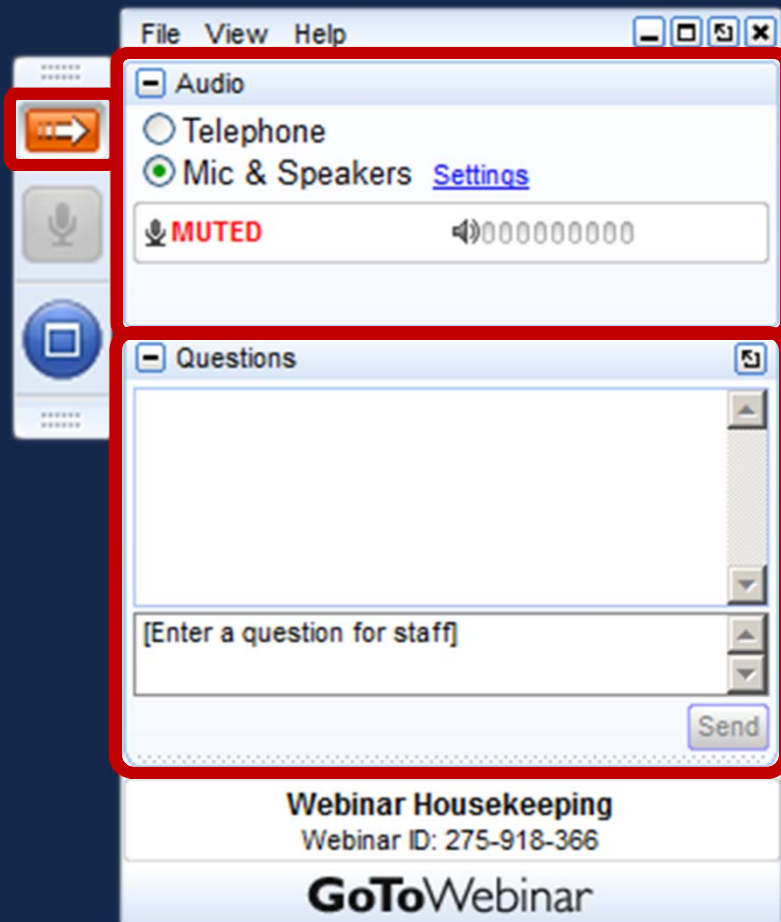
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Our Partnership Approach to Financing Clean Energy in Affordable Housing

A focus on preservation of existing affordable housing units by unlocking cash flows from energy savings to stabilize properties

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Connecticut Green Bank

Mission and Goals



Support the Governor's and Legislature's energy strategy to achieve cheaper, cleaner, and more reliable sources of energy while creating jobs and supporting local economic development

- Attract and deploy private capital to finance the clean energy goals for Connecticut
- Leverage limited public funds with multiples of private investment, returning and reinvesting public funds for further clean energy deployment
- Develop and implement strategies that bring down the cost of clean energy in order to make it more accessible and affordable to consumers
- Support affordable and healthy homes and businesses in distressed communities, **reduce energy burden** and **address health & safety**

Case Study

Unsecured LIME Loan with CDFI Partner



East Meadow Condo Association, Manchester, CT



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Description:	Lighting, boilers, roof replacement, insulation
Total Project Costs:	\$654,000
Utility Incentives:	<u>\$34,000</u>
Financed:	\$620,000
Estimated Annual Savings:	\$79,000
Annual Debt Service:	\$53,000, 1.48 DSCR
Financing Terms:	20 years, 6.00%
Payback Period:	7.8 years

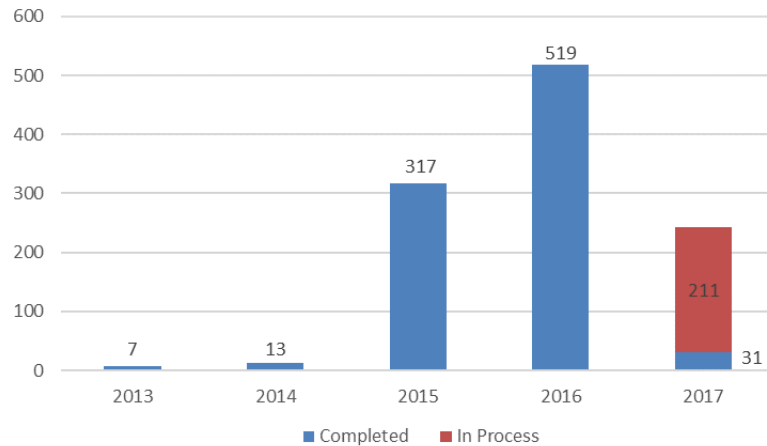
Energy improvements yield significant savings, unlocking cashflows that cover debt service – often for additional improvements such as needed structural, health or safety work.

Our Impact and Stats

Momentum Picking Up



Benchmarked Buildings Each Year

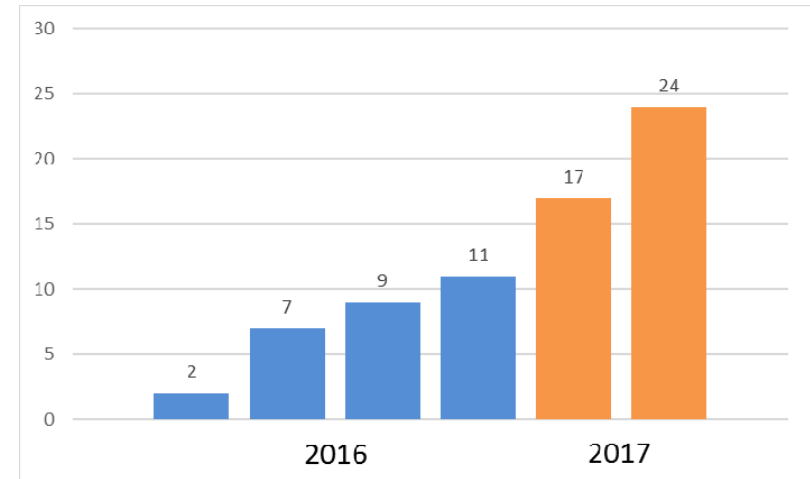


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Benchmarked 1,098 buildings,
or about 19,500 units

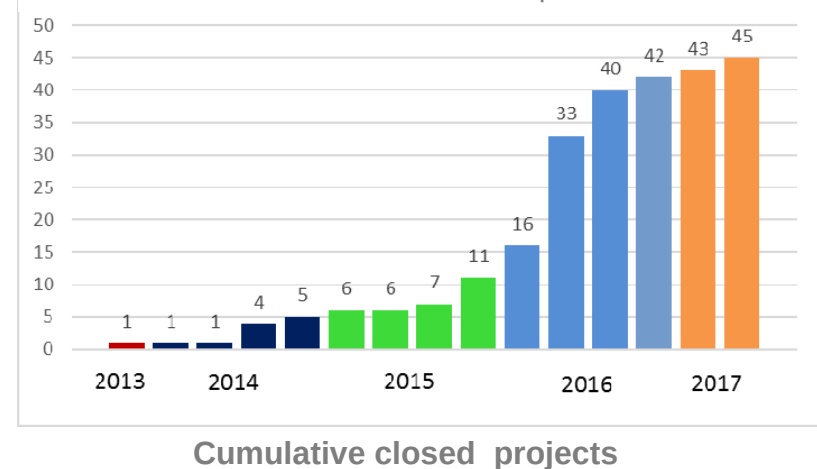
Pre-Development Loans

24 loans closed for \$202,988



Term Loans

45 loans closed for \$27.2MM



CT Low-to-Moderate Income Market By the Numbers



Income Level by AMI Band	# Census Tracts	Tract Households	% of Households	Tract Owner Occupied Households	% OO HHs in AMI Band	Tract Renter Occupied Households	% Rental HHs in AMI Band	Average 2010 Tract Median HH Income
<60% AMI	171	240,062	18%	73,593	31%	166,469	69%	\$34,401
60%-80% AMI	109	193,791	14%	104,971	54%	88,820	46%	\$54,797
80%-100% AMI	153	269,711	20%	179,352	66%	90,359	34%	\$68,396
100%-120% AMI	140	237,488	18%	190,944	80%	46,544	20%	\$84,763
>120% AMI	251	411,504	30%	357,267	87%	54,137	13%	\$118,624
Grand Total	824	1,352,556	100%	906,227	67%	443,163	33%	\$77,623

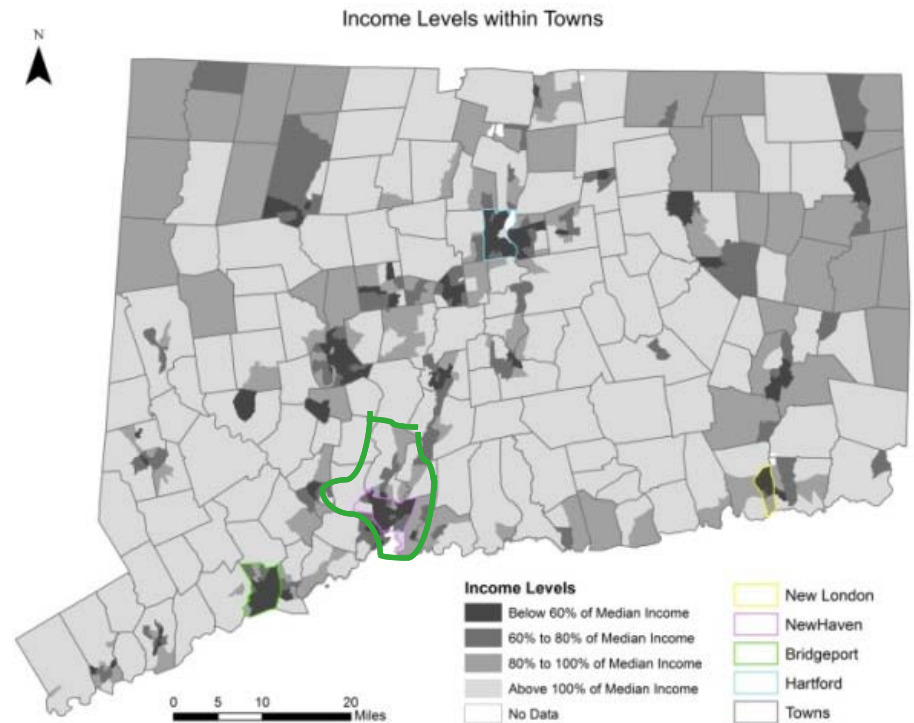
CT Green Bank Definitions

**Low Income = 80% AMI or lower,
40% are homeowners**

**Moderate income – 81%-100% AMI,
65% homeowners**

REFERENCES

2015 ACS Census Info. Totals are greater than individual lines due to some projects falling in unclassified census tracts.

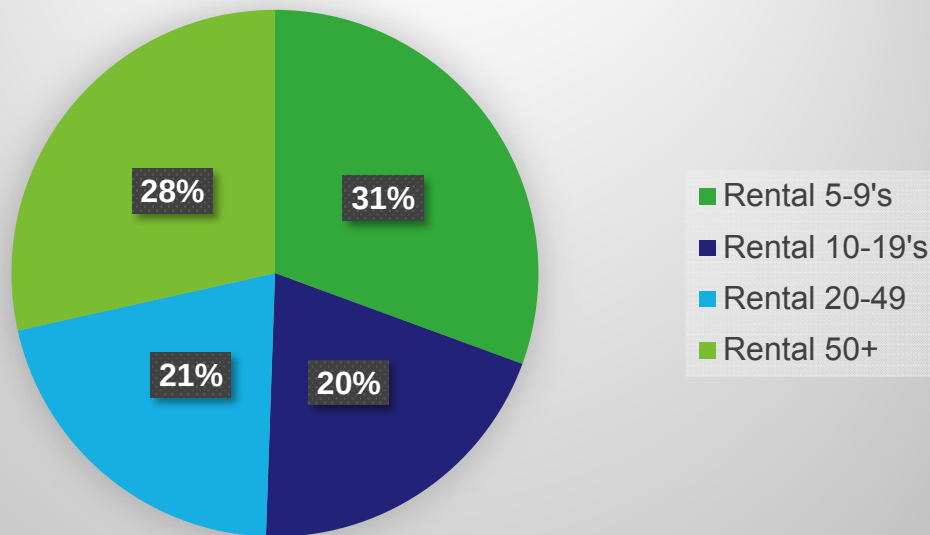


Multifamily Sector (5+ Units)

By the Numbers



Low Income Multifamily Households
Breakdown by Building Size



Connecticut Population - **3,543,000**

Total Housing Units – **1,354,000**

Total Multifamily Units – **240,000**

Total Low Income Units – **462,500 (34%)**

Total Low Income MF Units – **138,000**

% of Low Income HHs in MF – **30%**

% of Homes Built Before 1979 – **72%**

Low income households are concentrated in older properties in poor condition, in need of significant capital improvements, and include many smaller rental properties.

Low-to-Moderate Income Residential Properties: Old and Aging



Knob & Tube Wiring



Mold/ Water Leaks



Asbestos



Lead Paint



CO Off-Gassing



Radon



Older housing stock is NOT just about energy:
Health and safety issues estimated in 25-40% of units

Reducing Energy Burdens For Those That Need It Most



Energy costs are a significant portion of household expenses

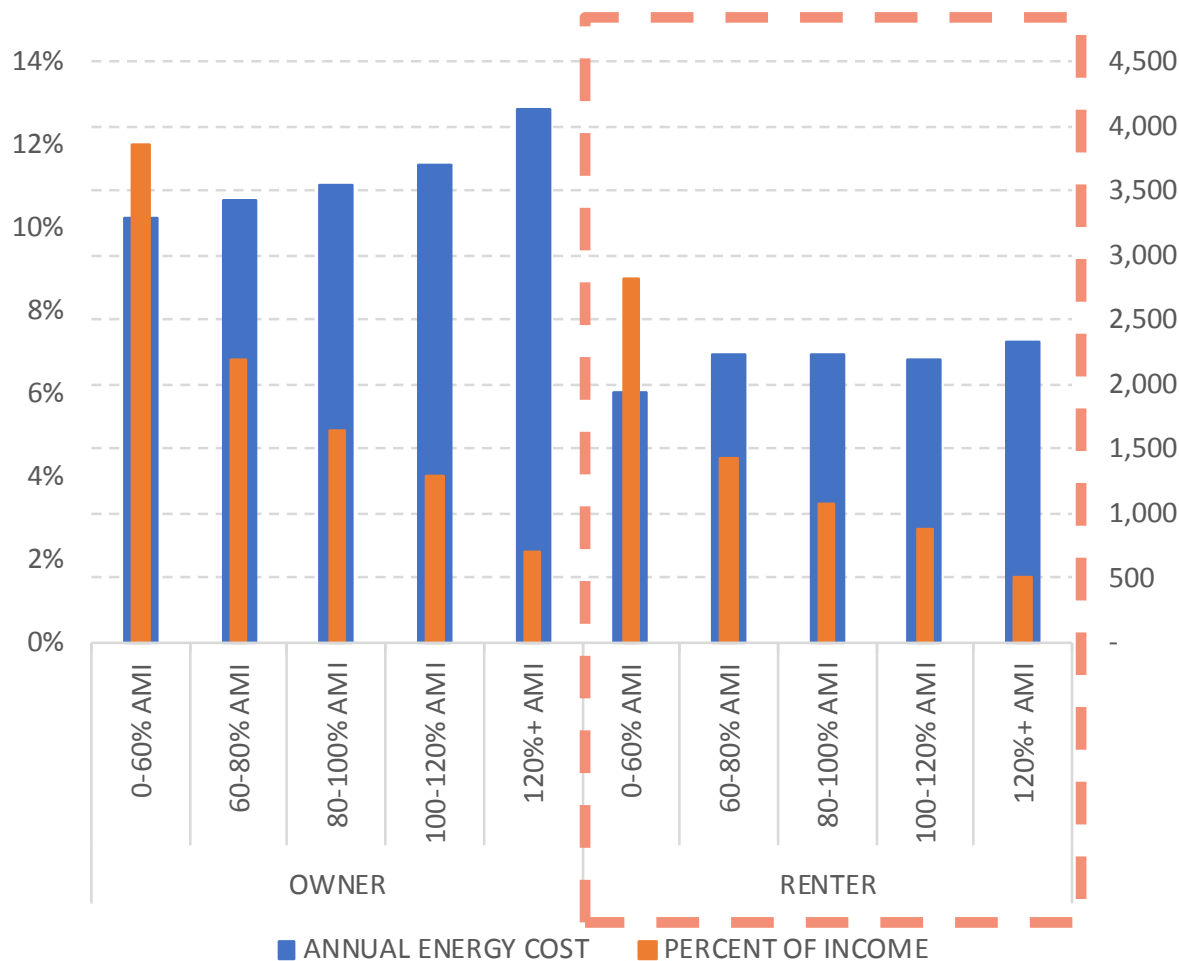
- Among the highest energy rates and costs in the country
- CT residents spend \$5.2 billion/year to heat, cool, light and provide hot water – more than state's budget for health care or education
- More than half our low income residents suffer a **high energy cost burden** (>10% of income)
- “Energy Affordability Gap” ranges from \$1,250 to \$2,500 per year



Reducing Energy Burdens For Those That Need It Most



ENERGY BURDEN [AVG. EXPENDITURES/AVG. INCOME, \$/YEAR]



The energy burden of our low income renters is 3-4 times greater than our renters with higher incomes.

AMI Bands	Avg. Household Income – MF
0-60%	\$20,000
60-80%	\$48,000
80-100%	\$65,000
100-120%	\$77,000
120%+	\$131,000

Multifamily Catalyst Fund

Unlocking Cash Flows to Stabilize Properties



Case Studies – Projects In Development

Seabury Coop, New Haven

- 88 units, adj. to Yale campus
- Annual energy costs: \$226K (2015)
- Potential Energy Upgrades: electric boiler replacement, lighting, windows, roof insulation
- H&S: Electrical hazards/exposed wires and other various



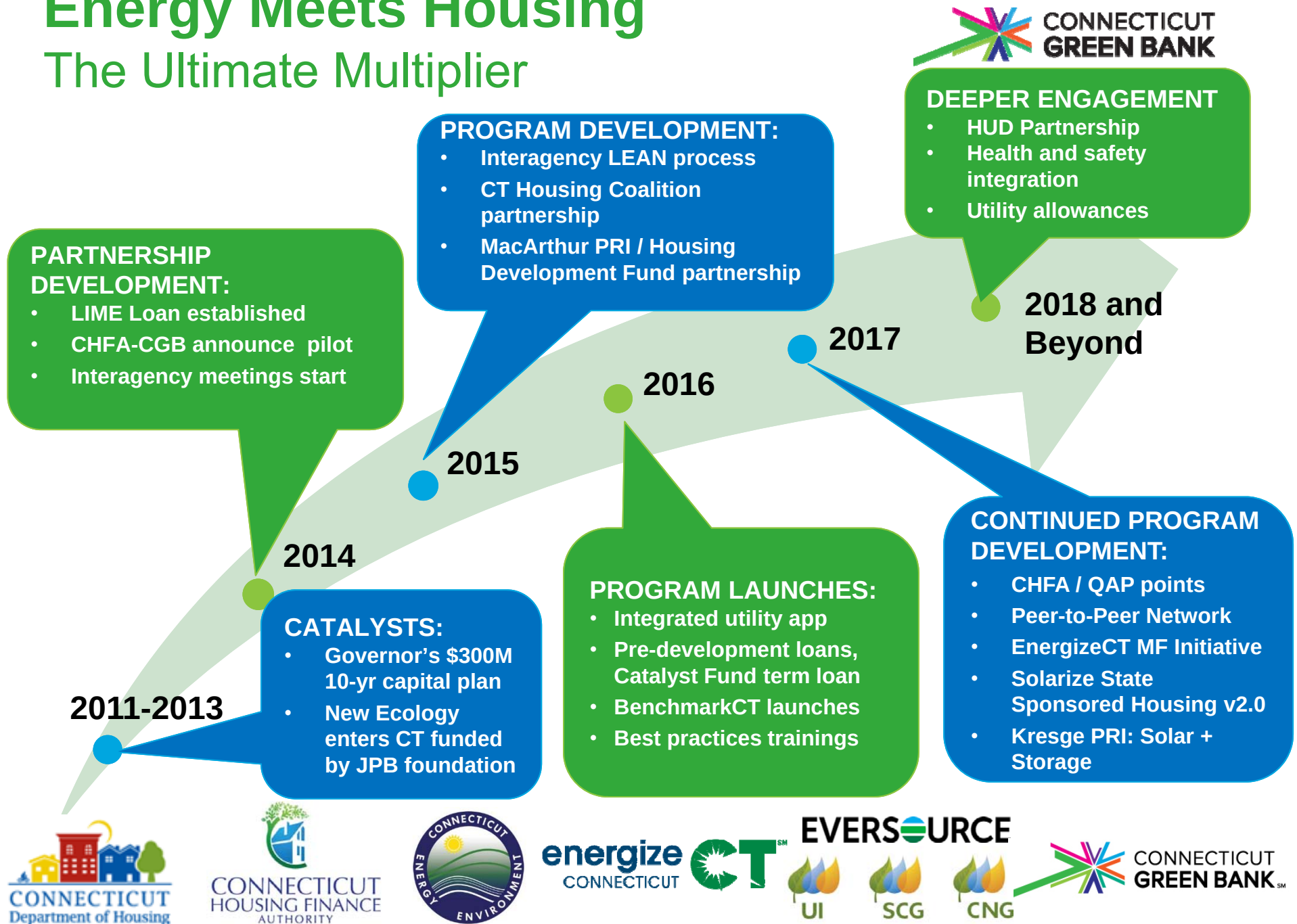
Success Village Coop, Bridgeport

- 964 units, WW2 workers housing
- Annual heating costs: \$1.8M (2015)
- Potential Energy Upgrades: failing central steam boiler system, degraded steam pipe network, unit insulation
- H&S: Asbestos contamination



Energy Meets Housing

The Ultimate Multiplier



Our Partners



Multifamily Programs



Technical assistance and financing to help owners save money on energy, increase property values, and improve tenants' safety & comfort.

Pre-Development Resources

Benchmark CT

- Free energy benchmarking resource



Sherpa Loan

- Designated service provider
- Standardized process & fee schedule



Navigator Loan

- Client managed contractor(s)
- Customized technical services



Project Financing

LIME

- Low Income Multifamily Energy
- Affordable
- Unsecured



Solar

- Solar projects only
- Commercial solar lease



Gap Financing

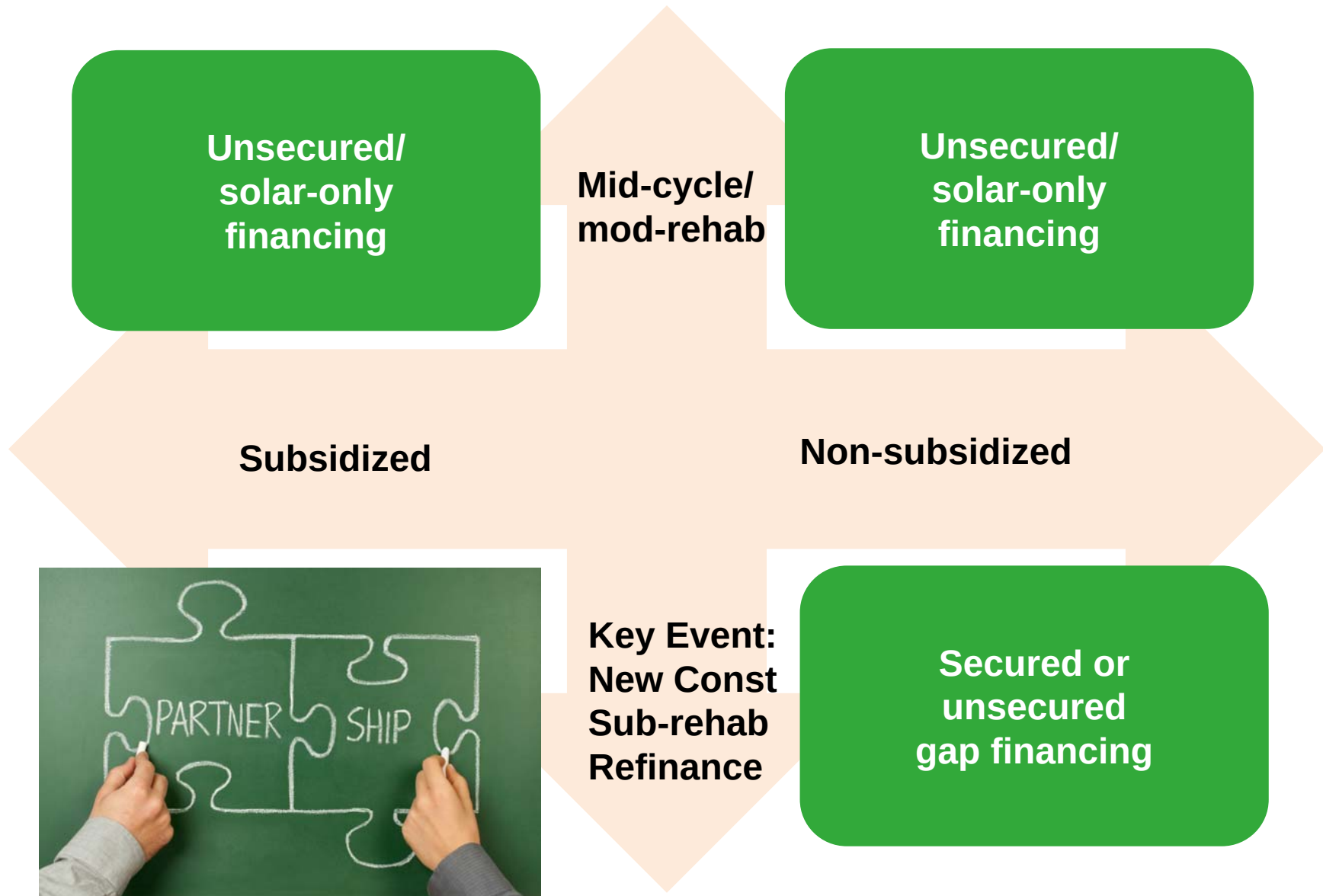
- Flexible low-cost financing
- Energy & health/safety



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Multifamily Programs

How We Do It



Multifamily Partnership Successes:



Empowering you to make
smart energy choices



- New, clearly defined process to incorporate utility incentives into state funded multifamily projects
 - Created and streamlined utility incentive application forms
- Utility incentives now required with all Department of Housing/CT Housing Finance Authority funding applications
 - Ensures utility incentives are included in initial project capital stack
- Changes to LIHTC Qualified Allocation Plan
- New process to incorporate utility incentives into mid-cycle naturally occurring affordable multifamily projects

Multifamily Partnership Successes:



Benchmark CT

Small state, big energy savings

Partnership with CHFA and Wegowise has benchmarked 1,098 buildings, or about 19,500 units, which is more than **10% of all multifamily units in CT**



Solar on **10 housing authorities** supporting 1,300 rental units



20 efficiency and solar projects supporting **1,455 affordable rental units**



16 pre-development projects and 1 Catalyst Fund loan supporting 1,583 affordable rental units

MacArthur Foundation

Parting Thoughts



- **Analyze your market**, ground yourself in the **data**
- **Don't go it alone** – look for those **multiplier effects**
 - In the energy space, of course! But in other sectors serving low income residents such as **housing**, **healthcare**, **senior services**, other community-based org's/service providers, **faith** orgs, etc.
 - It's OK to quarterback and lead from behind
- **Build relationships**
 - **Listen** to your partners, deeply
 - Ask the “why” questions
 - Pay attention to language and definitions
- **Be intentional** about program design and **your role in the ecosystem**





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