

Administrative Office of Courts -- IOU Statewide Partnership Program Proposal

Vision: Create a long-term sustainable program to help the California Administrative Office of Courts (AOC) substantially reduce its energy use. The AOC Statewide Partnership Program (AOC Partnership) would fund a team of energy professionals through the energy efficiency public purpose program to assist the AOC to plan, evaluate, and implement projects to reduce facilities' energy use. The AOC is one of the largest state property owners, with over 300 owned buildings and many more under full building long-term leases. By comparison, the CA Department of General Services (DGS) owns less than 50 buildings. The AOC owns buildings throughout the state, in each IOU's service territory. The energy professionals will have expertise in lighting, HVAC, data analytics, demand response, and controls. The proposed budget for the program is approximately \$1 million per year (approximately five professionals at an average fully loaded cost of \$200,000 per person). The IOUs will select the team through a competitive process and contract with it to assist the AOC in the following services:

- Establish a permanent framework for sustainable, long-term comprehensive energy efficiency programs at AOC facilities, leveraging the AOC's own capital funds and available financing.
- Assist AOC to implement comprehensive energy efficiency programs, including Zero Net Energy building retrofits and demand response.
- Leverage energy efficiency program incentives, on-bill financing, and on-bill repayment.

Non-incentive services:

- Energy audits
- Technical assistance
- Design assistance
- Assistance preparing RFPs and evaluating bids
- Contract management