OUR MISSION
AND VISION

Elevate Energy is dedicated to promoting smarter energy use for all. We design and implement efficiency programs that lower costs, protect the environment, and ensure the benefits of energy efficiency reach those who need them most. We apply our strong research and analysis capabilities to continually improve our programs and maximize our impact. Our team builds strong connections in the places where we work, and we are leaders at reaching groups that have typically been underserved by energy efficiency programs. We continually strive to deliver high quality programs and services that contribute to healthy, thriving communities.
Number of data-driven reports and papers published in 2015: 18

Number of customer interactions in 2015 to support Chicago Energy Benchmarking: 5,100

Number of staff potlucks to energize Elevators in 2015: 7

Our office received LEED Certification at the Gold Level

In total, our programs have helped reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 86,000 metric tons

Total jobs created: 536

Amount participants have saved on ComEd Hourly Pricing and Ameren Illinois Power Smart Pricing since 2007: $23 million

Consecutive bike to work week wins: 11

Midwestern residents who received an in-depth education on energy efficiency in 2015: 23,554

Twitter followers: 2,251

OUR ORGANIZATION
The smart grid enables residents to take control of their electricity usage through innovative rate options like hourly pricing programs. We administer three such programs, serving 23,706 customers, including Mike McMahon, a veteran and EV owner in Lockport, IL.

ELECTRIC VEHICLE OWNERS CAN CHARGE SMARTER WITH AN HOURLY RATE

EV owners like Mike are an especially good fit for hourly pricing.
SUPPORTING THE SMART GRID, ONE PERSON AT A TIME

We educate consumers across Illinois with innovative tactics such as energy house parties, like this one we held at the home of Jerome McDonnell, host of WBEZ’s Worldview program.

Elle helps host an energy house party among a group of friends and neighbors.
We supported the second year of Chicago’s Energy Benchmarking Ordinance. In 2015, our Help Center handled more than five times the number of interactions over the previous year, resulting in an 85 percent compliance rate.
As part of an energy assessment, an analyst from Elevate Energy examines the systems at a multifamily building.

We’ve improved nearly 25,000 apartment units with energy efficient upgrades and generated more than $35 million of private investment in energy conservation measures.
In addition to improving affordable multifamily housing, we also serve nonprofit organizations, including childcare centers like El Hogar del Nino and Chicago’s public television station WTTW.

MAKING EXISTING BUILDINGS MORE COMFORTABLE AND EFFICIENT

Elevate Energy worked with Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation and ComEd to perform lighting upgrades at WTTW.
We helped establish and expand multifamily energy efficiency programs in new areas, modeled after our award-winning service in Chicago. These programs helped to improve more than 5,000 units across the U.S.
We supported the development of a comprehensive state energy plan for Missouri and developed and are implementing a sustainability plan in Madison, Wisconsin.
In addition to supporting the Illinois Clean Jobs coalition, we utilized our data and mapping expertise to help Cook County and the U.S. Department of Energy assess the opportunity for community solar in Illinois.

What is community solar?

1. Solar panels are installed in a sunny location somewhere in the community.

2. Anyone with an electricity bill can subscribe to this community solar array and start accessing solar energy for their home.

3. Each subscriber is credited with the electricity created by their share of the solar array right on their electric bill, regardless of where they live.
In a first-of-its-kind analysis, we looked at 18 months of data since the City of Chicago passed a modernized energy cost disclosure ordinance and found that Chicago homes that disclose energy costs have a higher close rate and spend less time on the market.

**Average sale price** with energy costs disclosed: $356,576, a $4,576 increase

**Average sale price** without energy costs disclosed: $352,000
As a key partner of the U.S. Department of Energy’s Home Energy Information Accelerator, we’re expanding the availability and use of home energy data at key points in the residential real estate process.
2014 FINANCIALS

- Grants 34%
- Contracts 66%
- General and Administrative 13%
- Other* 3%
- Program Expenses 84%

Total Revenue $13,450,712
Total Expense $13,410,021

*Other includes Non-Operating and Fundraising expenses, of which Fundraising accounts for less than 1% of total expenses.

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