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News and Resources

[VAEEC statement on Governor McAuliffe's carbon pollution Executive Order](#)

[VAEEC testimony to SCC on EM+V](#)

[Richmond's environmental plan wins first-place mayors' award \(Richmond Times Dispatch\)](#)

[The best way to teach adults to save energy might be through their children \(Washington Post\)](#)

[Germany, Italy and Japan top world energy efficiency rankings \(ACEEE\)](#)

Join a VAEEC Committee

All VAEEC members are invited to join one of our standing committees: Education and Outreach, Membership and Policy. We also have a short-term opportunity to join the Awards Committee. [Learn more](#) and contact us if you want to take part.

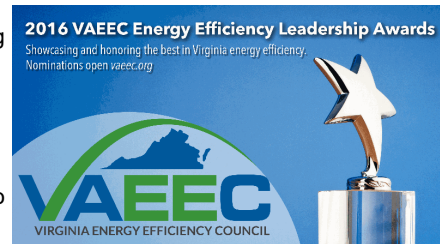
Thanks to our Interns

We're a nimble organization and accomplish an impressive amount thanks in large part to our interns. [Read more](#) about our summer team of Mariah Davis, Kelsey Galantich and Diana McDermott.

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Nominations Open for VAEEC Energy Efficiency Leadership Awards

We know that plenty of entities in Virginia are doing great work to help business, government or homeowners save money on energy expenditures while reducing energy consumption. And it's time to honor those efforts.



This fall we'll recognize winners of our inaugural Energy Efficiency Leadership Awards.

We're looking for innovative approaches. Proof of impact. Strong energy savings results. Unique partnerships and delivery models. Replicable and scalable programs.

There are separate categories for Organizations and for Programs/Projects. Entities on the receiving end of energy efficiency upgrades can also apply. [Nominate someone today.](#)

We're also looking for VAEEC members to join the Awards Committee. Contact chelsea@vaeec.org if you're interested.

Opportunities: Webinars, Lectures + Boot Camps

We've seen a raft of ee-related opportunities from our members and partners recently, and we wanted to make sure these are on your radar screen:

August 2: Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's EM+V Webinar Series, ["Setting Baselines for Planning and Evaluation of Energy Efficiency Programs."](#)

August 18: Viridian's Lecture Series continues with ["Resiliency and Sustainable Building."](#) In-person in Richmond and via webinar.

August 30-31: Community Housing Partners' ["Builders' Boot Camp"](#) in Christiansburg.

Have an event to share? [Email us](#) and we'll promote it!

Southland Captures School Success in New Video

Southland Energy (Business Silver) has a [new video](#) out that spotlights the company's work with the private St. Anne's Belfield School in



Charlottesville. The company installed comprehensive energy and water saving upgrades for the school, including seven buildings across two campuses. The measures – ranging from lighting fixtures to irrigation – reduced the school's carbon footprint by 28 percent, will save more than 1 million gallons of water a year, and save \$4.5 million over the project life.



Definitely a short video [worth watching!](#)

4 Reasons Your Membership Renewal is Critical

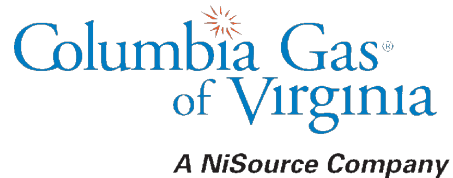
It's time for VAEEC members to [renew for the 2016-2017 term](#). With your support we will be able to:

1. Host our first annual awards ceremony.
2. Initiate a new webinar series in response to member requests.
3. Support the Governor's Executive Committee on Energy Efficiency and efforts to reduce energy consumption 10% by 2020.
4. Advance commercial PACE in Virginia localities.

Renewing your membership is easy. [Do it today!](#)

Featured Member of the Month: Columbia Gas of Virginia

Business Silver member Columbia Gas of Virginia is known by many for the innovative WarmWise energy efficiency program. They've just launched a new phase with enhanced programs for both residential and business customers including expanded rebate options and free energy efficiency kits. [Read more](#) about Columbia Gas and their WarmWise program.



Welcome New VAEEC Members

VAEEC is pleased to welcome our newest members: Nest Labs (Business Silver) and Sustainable Design Consulting (Associate).



Nest is focused on making simple, human, delightful things. That's how we're creating the thoughtful home: A home that takes care of the people inside it and the world around it.



Sustainable Design Consulting is committed to providing innovative solutions that foster a sustainable future by creating better built environments where we live, work, learn, play and heal.

The Virginia Energy Efficiency Council seeks to provide a forum for stakeholder interaction and to assess and support programs, innovation, best practices, and policies that advance energy efficiency in Virginia.



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