



## And the Winners Are...

At our November 2 Awards Ceremony we honored the winners of our 2nd annual Virginia Energy Efficiency Leadership Awards. Congratulations to our 1st place winners. Find out who took 2nd and 3rd place and check out the winning projects [here](#).

**Academic** 1st Place: Prince William County Public Schools

**Commercial** 1st Place: Schneider Electric

**Local Government** 1st Place: Chesterfield County

**Low-Income** 1st Place: Community Housing Partners

**Residential** 1st Place: Northern Virginia Regional Commission + Local Energy Alliance Program

**State Government** 1st Place: Department of Mines, Minerals and Energy



## Must Watch Alert

Energy efficiency is what we call "the quiet work horse in Virginia's economy." But it doesn't have to be silent or invisible. We just launched a new series of short videos with interviews from leaders in the field that offer a quick 101 on the topic, the value proposition and examples of EE in action.

There are videos (each under 2 minutes) on Building Codes, PACE Financing, Utility Programs and Energy Performance Contracting.

Check out all the videos on our [YouTube channel](#), and please share them!

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## Join a VAEEC Committee

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## What the Election Means for EE

With Virginia's recent election, we will enter 2018 with a new Governor and the balance of power in the House of Delegates nearly an even split between Republicans and Democrats. What does that mean for statewide energy efficiency policies and initiatives? Get our first take [here](#).

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## Welcome New Members

Please join us in welcoming VAEEC's newest members: CREE, Inc (Business Gold), RRMM Architects (Business Silver) and Northern Virginia Regional Commission (Government). And a hearty "Welcome Back" to Oracle and Rappahannock Electric Cooperative, our latest renewing members.



We are Members and member representatives are invited to join one of our committees: Education and Events; Membership; and Policy and Programs. [Check out the opportunity](#) and let us know if you're interested.

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## Did You Miss the Meeting?

If you weren't able to join us in Richmond for the Fall Meeting, you can access the Breakout Session presentations (on topics like commercial benchmarking, utility programs, and smart homes) [here](#). Don't miss out again. Mark your calendar now for our Spring Meeting on May 10, 2018.

A special thank you to all of our event sponsors, especially our Partner level sponsor Dominion Energy and Advocate level sponsor Rappahannock Electric Cooperative.



## MAPA Conference

Earlier this week, the VAEEC attended the Mid-Atlantic PACE Alliance's (MAPA) inaugural conference, *Winning with PACE*. The event provided information, training, and resources for local government staff, capital providers, building owners, and energy contractors to gain skills and knowledge about PACE. Our own Jessica Greene moderated the *Fielding a Team: How to Build a C-PACE Program in Your Jurisdiction* breakout session geared towards local governments. During this session, presenters discussed the process to set up and run a PACE program, including lessons learned, best practices, and available resources.



All of the day's presentations will be made available on the MAPA website, [pacealliance.org](http://pacealliance.org).

## News + Resources

[Governor McAuliffe announce energy efficiency program for state office buildings](#) (Office of the Governor)

[Energy efficiency is trending up and down in the Southeast](#) (SACE)

[For economic growth, the next Governor should look to advanced energy](#) (Richmond Times-Dispatch op-ed)

[Why is America wasting so much energy?](#) (New York Times op-ed)

[States release framework for first ever national energy efficiency registry or NEER](#) (NASEO)

[Millions of people work to save energy. Here are their stories.](#) (ACEEE)

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