

The **Better Buildings Initiative** is a national leadership initiative calling on state and local officials, corporate chief executive officers, university presidents, utilities, and other leaders to make substantial commitments to improve the energy efficiency of their buildings and plants, save money, and increase competitiveness. The cornerstones are a commitment to a 20% or more savings target across the organizations' portfolios and a commitment to share strategies that work, substantiated by energy data across the portfolios. The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is expanding this initiative to engage leaders in a set of **Better Buildings Accelerators** designed to demonstrate specific innovative approaches, which upon successful demonstration will accelerate investment in energy efficiency and renewable energy.

The **Sustainable Corrections Infrastructure Partnership (SCIP) Accelerator** will work over three years with state governments and federal agencies interested in upgrading their public correctional facilities. SCIP will focus on accelerating a pathway toward a sustainable corrections infrastructure through solutions that address affordability, integration, and storage. SCIP aims to catalyze energy efficiency, water efficiency, renewable energy, sustainable transportation, and storage investments to reduce operating and maintenance costs in public correctional facilities while maintaining their sector priorities of security and resilience.

SCIP will bring together participants with many different approaches for planning infrastructure improvements in their corrections portfolio that address state or federal goals and site-specific conditions. Partners will aim for total portfolio savings of 20% through energy and water conservation measures, integration of renewable energy technologies, and energy storage for resilience. As part of their solutions, partners will develop model portfolio plans and demonstrate examples of sustainable corrections infrastructure projects.

Goals of the Corrections Accelerator

- ▶ Demonstrate prototype integrated packages of technologies suitable for campus-based facilities with diverse operations;
- ▶ Document best-practice approaches to selecting energy storage technologies for resilience;
- ▶ Develop model plans for transitioning to a sustainable corrections infrastructure that will help drive more solutions in the industry;
- ▶ Design model technical, financing, and workforce development strategies for targeting high-potential sectors that will help drive more portfolio-wide solutions; and
- ▶ Develop recommendations for post-Accelerator next steps.

Corrections Infrastructure Partner Agrees to:

- ▶ **Appoint** an Accelerator partnership lead;
- ▶ **Provide** baseline building and energy use data for the partner's correctional facilities within six months;
- ▶ **Work** toward a goal of 20% total energy and water savings across the corrections portfolio;
- ▶ **Collaborate** with DOE to develop a corrections portfolio improvement plan incorporating one or more of the approaches offered or an approach of the partner's own design;
- ▶ **Participate** in technical assistance forums;
- ▶ **Share** materials, results, and lessons learned from innovative approaches applied; and
- ▶ **Report** annually on progress towards savings and investment goals.

► U.S. Department of Energy Agrees to:

- **Appoint** an Accelerator lead;
- **Develop** an individual Portfolio Energy Performance Report based on each Accelerator partner's submitted facility information;
- **Develop** partner solutions for affordability, integration, and storage leveraging DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, national laboratories, and other subject matter experts;
- **Facilitate** the development of best-practice approaches in collaboration with Accelerator partners, applying DOE's expertise in energy efficiency, water efficiency, renewable energy, sustainable transportation, storage technologies, and experience with campus-based facilities;
- **Share** tools and technical assistance to facilitate planning a campus-based portfolio approach, integrating technologies, and addressing resilience and workforce development where applicable;
- **Create** and facilitate technical assistance forums to identify best practices and innovative solutions for approaches applied by Accelerator partners; and
- **Provide** public recognition to Accelerator partners for achieving milestones and commitment.

Agreement:

My organization is committed to forging a path toward a sustainable infrastructure in our portfolio of correctional facilities and agrees to the General Terms of the agreement.

SENIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICER SIGNATURE

DATE

SENIOR EXECUTIVE PRINTED NAME

Point of Contact Information:

ORGANIZATION

ADDRESS

REPRESENTATIVE NAME

TITLE

PHONE NUMBER

EMAIL ADDRESS

General Terms:

- All parties concur that this agreement is wholly voluntary and may be terminated by any party at any time, and for any reason, with no penalty.
- Partner will not construe, claim, or imply that its participation in the Better Buildings Initiative constitutes Federal Government approval, acceptance, or endorsement of anything other than Partner's commitment to the initiative.
- Partner understands its participation in the Better Buildings Initiative does not constitute Federal Government endorsement of Partner.
- Partner understands that the activities it undertakes in connection with the Better Buildings Initiative are voluntary and not intended to provide services to the Federal Government. Partner will not submit a claim for compensation to any federal agency.
- The Better Buildings Initiative will honor all requests to keep the Partner's information and data confidential.