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The Fort Worth Better Buildings Challenge (FWBBC) newsletter is designed to keep FWBBC participants apprised of news and information about the program.

### ***Featured Partner/Ally***

The Fort Worth Better Building Challenge (FWBBC) Partner of the Quarter is Baylor All Saints Medical Center at Fort Worth. This hospital was the first FWBBC partner to enter all their energy data into Portfolio Manager and has improved its Energy Star score from 51 in 2009 up to 85 through 2013.

Baylor All Saints was first hospital in the D/FW area to receive Energy Star certification in the Hospital category.

Savings were achieved through comprehensive HVAC system recommissioning, interior and exterior LED and T5

### **FWBBC Updates**

#### **Energy Audit Pilot Program**

Three Fort Worth Better Buildings Challenge Partners are participating in our FWBBC audit pilot program. The pilot program is testing an innovative FWBBC model that pairs a volunteer professional from a FWBBC ally organization with a student from one of our partner universities. The pair then use template forms to perform a high-level energy audit of the property and compile a report that is presented to the partner. This is a key step in the FWBBC process to help increase awareness of potential energy savings.

#### **Food For Thought**

Two FWBBC Advisory Subcommittees have been formed or are in the proposal process. These committees will focus on energy audits and finance

fluorescent lighting upgrades, an operational energy scorecard process, and employee energy awareness and engagement. The key to Baylor All Saints Medical Center's success has been the combination of Baylor executive support, CBRE Engineering, FM and Energy Management team efforts.

When asked for advice that other FWBBC partners could use to identify and capture energy savings, Baylor Health Care System/CBRE Energy Manager Matt Mattingly suggested concentrating on three elements: improving equipment and lighting efficiency, focusing on operational reduction opportunities and effective employee engagement.

### FWBBC Intern

FWBBC hired an intern in January to assist with Partner/Ally relations and manage the City of Fort Worth Portfolio Manager account. Eric Misael Mata, originally from Colombia, is studying Architecture in Business at University of Texas-Arlington. His responsibilities include managing data and public relations for the Better Building Challenge.

options. Another subcommittee is being considered to assist in event planning for ongoing FWBBC outreach. If you have any ideas for events, please send them to [Sam Gunderson](#).

### **Better Buildings Challenge National Summit**

The FWBBC invites all Partner and Ally representatives to attend the Better Buildings Challenge Nation Summit hosted by the Department of Energy in Washington, DC, on May 7-9. Registration for this event will be opening this week, please email [Sam Gunderson](#) if you would like more information.

### CALENDAR of EVENTS

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| Mar. 22 | Cowtown Cleanup and <a href="#">Earth Party</a><br>(Sundance Square) |
| Mar. 29 | <a href="#">Earth Hour</a>   |
| Apr. 22 | GSA Earth Day Event (Lanham Bldg)                                    |
| Apr. 24 | UNT Health Science Center Earth Day                                  |
| May 7-9 | Better Buildings National Summit                                     |
| May 13  | FWBBC Advisory Comm. Meeting   |

The City of Fort Worth Better Buildings Challenge is a partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy with the goal of reducing energy consumption 20 percent by 2020.

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