



SAVE MONEY ON ENERGY BILLS FOR YOUR BUSINESS

The Berea College Center for Energy (BCE) provides subsidized energy audits for small businesses in rural Kentucky to identify cost-saving measures and opportunities for energy efficient retrofits granted by the USDA Rural Energy for America Program (REAP).

Find Out if You Qualify

Are you a small business owner in rural Kentucky? Do you have the past 12 months of utility bills available? You may qualify for a subsidized energy audit!

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Express Your Interest

The application process is competitive with 12 businesses selected each year to receive subsidized audit funding. We are accepting applications now for the 2018-2019 funding cycle. Complete the information request form at [Berea Center for Energy](#) and we will contact you regarding next steps.

Schedule Your Energy Audit

If selected, BCE will determine if an on-site or desktop audit is needed to complete the process. An audit report will be generated with a list of recommendations. An audit typically takes 6-8 weeks to complete.

Financing Options

Once you undergo the energy audit and receive the completed report from BCE, your next step is to consider financing options to make the recommended improvements. BCE works closely with both REAP officials and Mountain Association for Community Economic Development (MACED) so you can secure the right financing fit for your business.

25% REAP & 75% MACED

REAP Grants, if awarded, can cover up to 25% of your capital costs for energy efficiency projects. MACED can provide low interest loans to cover the remaining 75%, while energy savings make paybacks for you.

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100% MACED & 25% REAP Payback

If you'd like to speed up the process, MACED can finance 100% of your project with a low interest loan which can be partially paid back with all of your REAP grant if you are awarded it.

100% MACED

If you are a non-profit or not awarded the REAP grant you can still invest in this money saving solution! MACED can provide 100% financing for your project to get you the capital improvements you need, helping you save money in the long run. Learn more about financing at MACED.