Economic Stimulus through Energy Efficiency:



A Public-Private Partnership



HOW HERO HAS A POSITIVE IMPACT ON YOUR COMMUNITY

The HERO Program focuses on residential energy and water efficiency upgrades because of the positive impact these projects have on the economic health of local communities







HERO Continues a Proven Tradition

Driving Economic Growth Through Consumer Access to Financing

Industry			
Transportation		Auto industry introduced financing and car ownership exploded	1.1 vehicles / HH in 1969 to 1.9/HH in 2009
Housing		Banking industry gave birth to home mortgages and homeownership skyrocketed	48% home ownership in 1939 to 67% in 2009
Energy	CHING HEIN OF THE STATE OF THE	States are requiring new energy guidelines HERO is part of the solution	\$350 million in economic stimulus in one year with HERO





Consumers Talk About Energy Efficiency

Significant Impact if HERO Made Available Statewide

Potential Impact in California – Annually* Energy Savings 1,045 GwH GHG Reduction Economic Impact Job Creation \$7.8 Billion 38,000 Jobs

Few People Make EE Investment Because of Price

High Efficiency				
Solar				
HVAC	Added Costs			
Windows	Premium			
Water Saving Products	Pricing			

^{*}Based upon HERO sales in Western Riverside County





Municipalities Have Used 3P's for Years

Too Few Stimulate the Economy and Have a Positive Consumer Image

	HERO	
Positive for Municipality	X	
Wide Consumer Usage	X	
Positive Consumer Perception	X	
Creates Local Jobs	X	

Today's Ingredients of an Effective 3P are Different

- Must be better than what is currently available
- Available to the masses
- Turnkey for residents & municipalities
- Empower communities to take control
- Minimize cost and risk to municipalities
- Needs controls to maintain integrity





AB811 (PACE) Introduced in 2008

- Aspired to Improve the Environment, Create Energy Independence & Stimulate the Economy
 - Positioned as a Green Solution
 - Attempted to created a competitive advantage for energy efficient products by providing attractive financing
 - Trouble Gaining Traction
 - Introduced as a Public-Public Program with limited funds
 - No infrastructure to execute the program
 - Wasn't user friendly





HERO is a Breakthrough

Making PACE Work for the Residential Segment

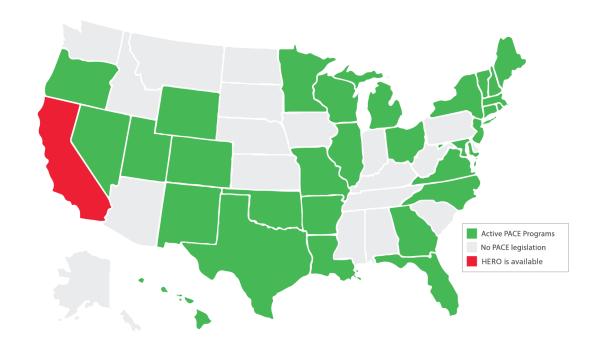
Original PACE – 2008 to Present HERO PACE – 2011 to Present Public / Public Public / Private Mass Market Product Specialty Item **Automated Process Process Intensive Limited Availability Unlimited Funds**





PACE Adoption

- 31 states (76% of population) have adopted legislation to enable property tax financing
- HERO can be made available in all CA markets



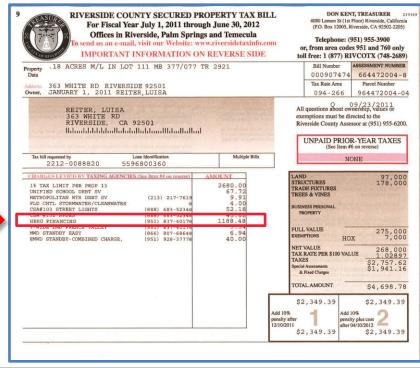




What is HERO?

- New way to pay for home energy products
- Created in partnership with industry leaders
- Property owners pay for improvement through property tax bill









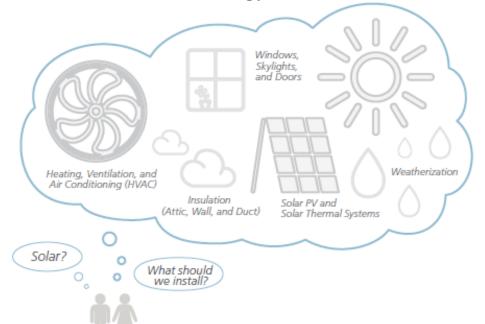
Why Do People Use HERO?

HERO Makes higher quality products that use less Energy/Water affordable

Over 50 Product Categories
Over 150,000 eligible products

HERO	Before	After
Utility Bill (Monthly)	\$200	\$100
Interest & Principal	_	\$70
Total Payments	\$200	\$170

- Thousands of water efficiency products
- Heating & air-conditioning
- Windows
- Roofs
- Insulation
- Renewable energy







Benefits to the Community

\$100 Million

For every \$100 million in energy efficiency, water efficiency, and renewable energy projects the community realizes the following benefits:

All with **no cost** to the community or contractors

- 850New Jobs
- \$175 million
 In Economic Stimulus
- \$225 million
 In Utility Bill Savings
- **2,500**

Cars Removed from the Road (Equivalent Reduction in Emissions)





HERO is Automated to Scale











Minutes



Congratulations You're Approved!

Your HERO ID: 19387KGE3

A long list of PACE Firsts:

- Instant credit approval
- Instant access to statewide financial & municipal databases
- Automated application and contractor management system
- Dedicated call center for contractors and homeowners
- Automated funding process





HERO is in the Community

HERO provides co-branded educational materials for consumers and business



Local outreach to contractors, retailers, suppliers, manufacturers



HERO Contractor Reps assist and support onsite



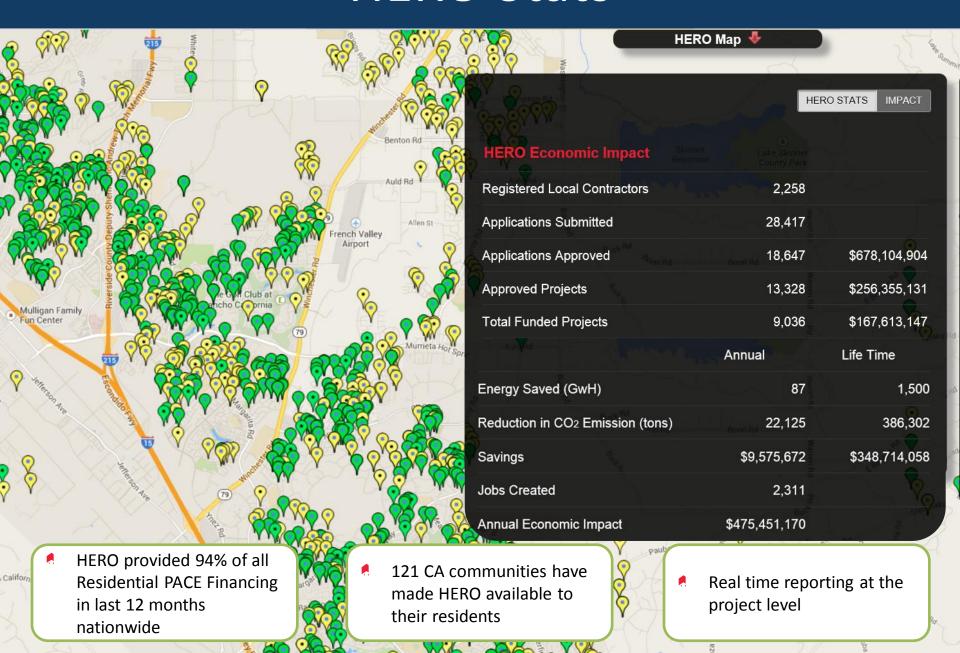
Contractor tools to manage their business







HERO Stats

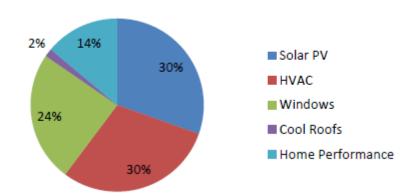


Measures

Energy efficiency projects outnumber solar installations:

- Approximately 70% of the projects are energy efficient measures
- Average project amount \$18,394

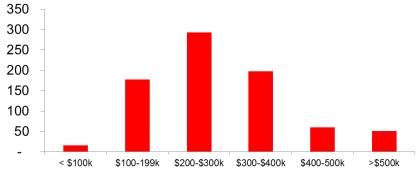
Composition of Projects



HERO Financing reaches broad economic base:

- \$304,000 Median Price of homes in Riverside County, CA
- \$260,000 Median Price of HERO customer homes

Properties Funded by Property Value







HERO Validation

Multiple awards Economic & environmental



Environmental & Economic

Partnership

Governor of California



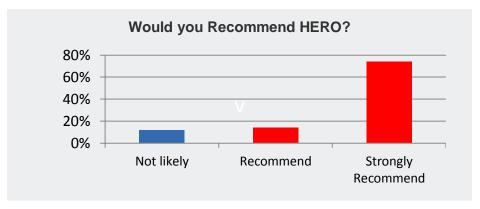


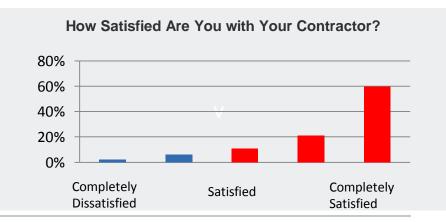






Over 90% would recommend HERO Over 90% satisfied with contractor









Municipalities are Supporting HERO

A Transforming Public-Private Partnership

- 100% private funding
- No cost or risk— 100% voluntary
- Empowers communities
- Meet AB32 requirements
- Competitive advantage for energy efficient products
- Empowers homeowners
- Encourages competitive market
- HERO is seen as a positive program by constituents

Municipal Leaders Provide the Opportunity



Rusty Bailey, Mayor of Riverside, CA

"Why HERO? It's made our community better by lowering unemployment, increasing environmental efforts, and boosting our economy!"

Contractors Create New Jobs



WC Heating & Air Conditioning Inc., Murrieta, CA

"With HERO funding 50% of our sales, we've been able to hire 22 people this year! You should absolutely bring HERO to your community."

Homeowners Increase Property Values



Bruce and Kimberly Stagger, Lake Elsinore, CA

"Our electric bill said 'you owe 96 cents, do not pay this bill'. We couldn't believe it. Why doesn't everyone get HERO?"

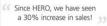












Steve Elizondo, General Manager at WC Heating & Air Conditioning







