

Economic Investments in Rhode Island



Office of Building Technology, State and Community Programs (BTS)

BTS works with partners in the private and non-profit sectors and in state and local governments to make the nation's residential and commercial building stock more energy-efficient, comfortable, affordable, and sustainable.

The mission of DOE's Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy is to promote a strong economy, cleaner environment, and more secure future through the development and deployment of energy efficient and renewable energy technologies.



BTS invested a total of \$2.9 million in Rhode Island in Fiscal Years 2001 and 2002



The Rhode Island State Energy Office in Providence, through the State Energy Program (SEP),

received \$297,000 in FY 2001 and \$352,000 in FY 2002 for a variety of activities, including: implementation of the State Energy Plan; improving State Building Energy Codes; and providing public education and awareness efforts (e.g., hotlines, publications, and training).

Rhode Island State Energy Program
(millions of dollars)



The Rhode Island State Energy Office in Providence received a competitive grant award in FY 2001 of \$300,000 from the SEP Office of Codes and Standards to update residential and commercial building energy codes, enhance resources, enhance implementation, increase building awareness of public benefits, and coordinate rate-payer funded energy efficiency programs.



Block Island Rebuild America, the city of Central Falls, Johnston Public Schools, Rebuild Warwick, Save the Bay, State of Rhode Island Partnership, and the town of Burrillville-Pascoag Fire District received technical assistance from the Rebuild America program valued at a combined total of \$140,000 in FY 2002. This program accelerates energy efficiency improvements in existing commercial, institutional and multifamily residential buildings through private-public partnerships created at the community level. It also assists with business planning, technical product development, marketing, workshops, and training for its partners.



The Weatherization Assistance Program, through six local service providers (e.g., community action agencies)

is working to increase energy efficiency and reduce the burden of energy costs to low-income Rhode Island residents, especially households with elderly members, individuals with disabilities, and families with children. In FY 2001, Federal funding combined with leveraged state and local resources resulted in the weatherization of approximately 263 homes. In FY 2002, Rhode Island was allocated \$1,170,171 in weatherization funding.

Rhode Island Weatherization
(millions of dollars)

