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OFFICE OF ENERGY AND PLANNING

About Us

The Office of Energy and Planning (OEP) is part of the Executive Department within the Office of the Governor. The Director of OEP is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Governor.

OEP is responsible for:

- promoting the principles of smart growth at the state, regional, and local levels through the municipal and regional planning assistance program;
- ensuring the reliability, availability, and security of the state's energy supply through a comprehensive statewide energy plan;
- offering community services such as heating fuel aid, refugee relocation assistance, floodplain management assistance, statewide population data information, and the availability of a statewide computerized geographic information system;
- promoting energy efficiency and reducing energy costs by supporting programs for low-income households, state government buildings, businesses and industry, and school and towns;
- exploring opportunities to expand the use of renewable, domestic energy resources such as biomass, wind and solar energy;
- promoting land use efficiency through a state comprehensive outdoor recreation plan and the monitoring of the state's investment in conservation land;
- supporting programs that focus on protecting and managing the natural resources of heavily populated areas of the state such as the coastal watersheds; and,
- coordinating with the [Office of Information Technology](#) to create an online grants portal that will inform interested parties of current statewide grant opportunities

In response to these duties and responsibilities, OEP undertakes a number of programs and activities. Financial support for these programs comes from federal grants and the State's General Fund. [more about programs ...](#)

