



# Workforce Development - Midwest Energy Codes Support Programs

National Energy Codes  
Conference  
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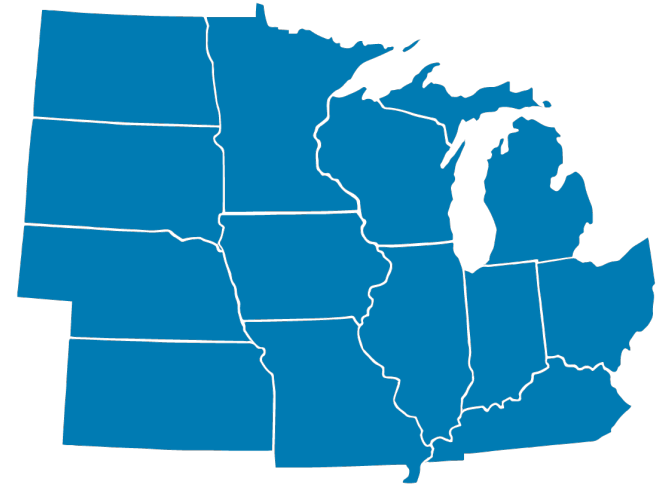
# About MEEA

## *The Trusted Source on Energy Efficiency*

We are a nonprofit membership organization with 160+ members, including:

- Utilities
- Research institutions and advocacy organizations
- State and local governments
- Energy efficiency-related businesses

As the key resource and champion for energy efficiency in the Midwest, MEEA helps a diverse range of stakeholders understand and implement cost-effective energy efficiency strategies that provide economic and environmental benefits.



# Midwest Energy Code Compliance Programs



**Missouri**



**Nebraska**

# Energy Codes Landscape

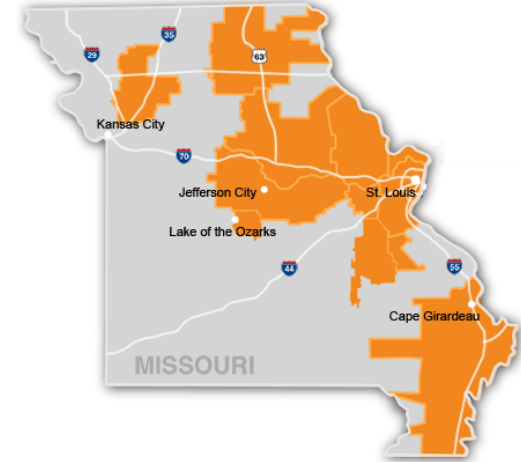
*Missouri*

- Climate Zones 4 and 5
- Home Rule State
- Baseline study completed in 2016



# Ameren Missouri Residential Energy Code Support Program

- Began in 2019
- Funded by Ameren Missouri
- Residential focused
- 3-pronged approach to improving energy code compliance
  - Trainings
  - Energy Code Consultant/Circuit Rider
  - Energy Code Compliance Collaborative



# Ameren Missouri Residential Energy Code Support Program

- Shift to virtual in 2020
- Move to topic-specific trainings
- 18 trainings to date
  - 422 Training Attendees
- Code Consultant is a trusted resource
- Sunsetting in 2021



# Energy Code Landscape

*Nebraska*

- Climate Zone 5
- Statewide energy code
  - Localities can make amendments
- Energy code adopted legislatively
- Baseline study completed in 2018
- Energy Codes Collaborative running since 2014
- **Adopted 2018 IECC unamended in 2019**
  - Previously on 2009 IECC



# Nebraska Energy Codes Training Program

- Began in August 2020
- Funded by DOE (ABC Award)
- Residential and Commercial Focus
- MEEA partnered with NE Dept of Environment and Energy and the NE Code Officials Association





# Nebraska Energy Codes Training Program

- Target Audiences: Builders, Code Officials, Design Professionals, Public Officials, Students
- Stakeholder Survey
- Training Program:
  - Core Curriculum
  - Advanced Curriculum/Topic Specific Trainings
  - On-demand “Deep Dive” videos
  - Design Professional Seminars
  - Community College Courses
- Circuit Rider began June 2021



# Nebraska Energy Codes Training Program

- 13 Trainings and 1 Seminar to date
- Hoping to begin in-person trainings later this year
- Program runs through 2023



# Lessons Learned

- Understanding compliance needs of area is essential
- It's important to have the right messenger
- Virtual program offerings have benefits and challenges

Thank you!

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