

BUILDING COMMUNITY CENTERED APPROACH TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY

1. Connecting with Community

IMPACT Community Action conducts a Community Needs Assessment in a historically disinvested community with high energy burden. Americrest and Census Tract 7.30-100% Equity Eligible Homes

2. Coordinating Committed Partners

IMPACT works with Advisory Group: Community Advocates that live in proposed neighborhood, American Electric Power, Homeport, City of Columbus-Sustainable Columbus team to support community owned plan.

3. Engage Community & Review Data

IMPACT and partners discover need to innovative funding model to expand current energy efficiency weatherization program, on site community solar and electric panel upgrades

4. Work with community & business to train & build up Green job Pipeline

IMPACT Empowered! Program offers unemployed and under-employed workforce development training in the area of green jobs. Increasing pipeline for local small businesses in community.

5. Educating Community, Reviewing Eligibility, Applications & Recording Process

Expanding energy efficiency access via expanded marketing campaign. Recording and documenting how to blend funding for large scale community energy efficiency projects.

