

# Buildings UP

## The Buildings Upgrade Prize

### Objectives:

For approximately 50 homes, a mini market and laundromat in Salinas, Puerto Rico:

- Conduct energy assessment.
- Install energy efficiency measures.
- Replace current air conditioning equipment with electric heat pumps.

### Plan:

- Utilize various funding sources including USDA grant, municipal grant and already awarded Clean Energy Coalition Prize.
- Employ one full-time person for the time of the project.

### Challenges/Barriers:

- Lack of qualified local contractors.
- Lack of funding.
- Condition of existing buildings.
- Extreme weather conditions.

