Pre-Conference Workshop

"Ball Park" Estimating

Facilitators: Milt Hetrick John Bringenberg



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Introductions



John Bringenberg, First Universalist Green First Task Force

- John currently provides District Development for Petros PACE Finance, an Austin based national PACE funding company. Petros is a leading provider of clean energy financing for commercial properties throughout the United States. John is responsible for establishing new business, channel partners and deal flow in the Colorado.
- He has been elected for 6 years on the Board and 2 years as President of the Colorado Solar Energy Industries Association (COSEIA) and serves on its State Policy Committee.
- John was recently appointed to the City of Denver Green Roof Task Force to help the city implement the 2017 voter enacted Green Roof Ordinance.
- John also teaches sustainability as a member of the faculty for Ecotech Institute, a unique renewable energy college in the Denver area.



Milt Hetrick, First Universalist Green First Task Force

- Milt is a retired aerospace engineer with a background in engineering and physics.
- In 2011, he added rooftop solar electric and replaced their natural gas furnace with a ground source heat pump. A year later he traded in an old Volvo for a Chevrolet Volt. He then published a small book entitled "Living without Fire: Just the Sun and Earth: Illustrating a way to retrofit a 1974 home for more sustainable living" that documented how easy it was to transition to renewable energy and live without burning ancient hydrocarbons.
- Milt is currently documenting how First Universalist Church, Denver successfully transitioned to solar and geothermal sustainable energy sources that have zero greenhouse gas emissions. "Transitioning to Sustainable Energy: Using Solar electric and Ground -Source Heating & Cooling."



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Emergence:

creating something extraordinary from nothing but what already exists

Help others. Pay it forward.

Monitor carefully one year for operational issues.

Utilize a Commissioning Agent

Select Certified Designers / Installers

Obtain Board/Congregation approval (use 100% Sustainable goal)

Solicit funds: Donations / Loans / Leases

Develop a Revenue-Neutral financing model

Inform, Educate Board, Congregation using workshops, seminars,

Do your homework. Define What is needed. "Stop doing harm; Start saving money"

Assembly a core group or concerned Advocates (e.g. Green ream: a few active members)

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Project

Financing the

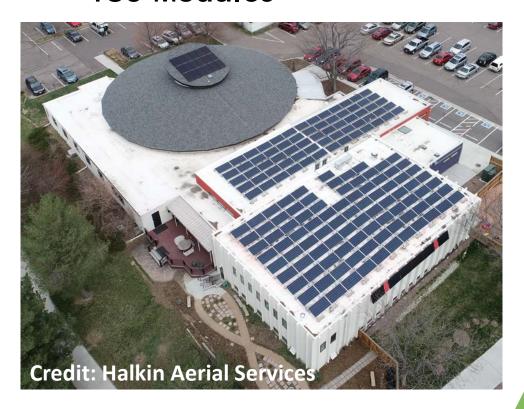
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Sustainable Zero GHG Emissions Energy System



45 Ton rated Ground-Source Geothermal Heating & Cooling System (12 vertical holes in North Parking lot)

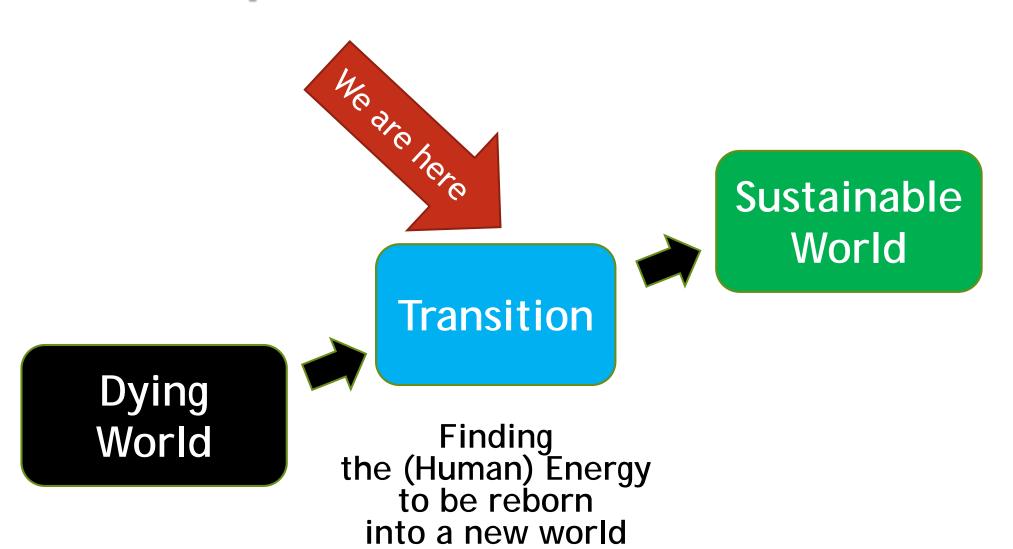
57 kW Solar PV System 180 Modules



"Ball Park" Estimating

- "Do Your Homework and Define What is Needed"
- Workshop provides basic background information
 - For better communication with Solar and Heat Pump experts/ contractors
 - ► For better communicating with the Board/Vestry/Council and Congregation
- ▶ Use these Ball Park energy system size and cost estimates to better envision and articulate:
 - ► Your path to zero GHG emissions
 - ► Your financial challenge, and
 - ▶ How much financial gain to expect over next 20 years.

Map of the Great Work



Transition Process Overview

