



Hill York Helps Energy Grant Hopefuls Win Funding, Retrofit Facilities

A long-time partner with Florida building owners in cutting energy use and boosting operating efficiency, Hill York has recently proven to be an able ally in getting results for state energy grant candidates.

Only four of the 25 applicants for Florida's Energy Efficient Retrofits for Public Facilities Grant Program have been awarded full funding. Hill York co-authored the grant submissions for two of them.

"Enhancing efficiency and reducing operating costs requires expertise in many technical areas," said Rob Pulsifer, Hill York's vice president of energy solutions. "With our convergence of services strategy, we look at everything that can influence efficiency and write the grant application from a foundation of complete facility knowledge and project planning insight. We're now three for three in grant writing, so our track record speaks for itself."

Hill York's approach was a formula for success in winning the full \$75,000 in available grant funds for both the Coral Ridge Presbyterian Church in Fort Lauderdale and the Salvation Army of Palm Beach County. The Coral Ridge Church project involves a comprehensive energy efficiency program that encompasses new HVAC equipment, repaired insulation, and a new energy management system. The Salvation Army work calls for the implementation of energy management systems at multiple facilities.

"The convergence of services provided by our energy solutions team encompasses benchmarking, building analysis, project development, construction and implementation, and continuous monitoring of building systems," noted Pulsifer. "It's been the key to achieving big gains in long-term energy savings and facility efficiency for many of our public and private sector customers."

As announced recently by Florida Commissioner of Agriculture Adam H. Putnam, the Hill York projects are two of only 18 around the state awarded grants to retrofit public buildings for enhanced energy efficiency.

"Improving energy efficiency in buildings used by the public will save energy *and* save taxpayer dollars," Putnam pointed out.



Qualifying projects include replacing indoor lighting, insulation upgrades, replacement of HVAC units and ducts, and installation of energy management systems. The grant program is funded under the State Energy Program with approximately \$1.1 million allocated by the U.S. Department of Energy.

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