

# PACE: Property Assessed Clean Energy

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Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE)

- External funding process for making energy efficiency improvements to commercial buildings and/or installing alternative energy generation equipment , including solar PV, solar thermal, wind, geothermal, etc.
- Annual expense not a capital expense or loan.



### Involves 3 parties:

- 1. Building Owner seeking improvements
- 2. Energy Services Company to install improvements
- 3. Port Authority for external financing through issuing bonds





- ✓ Focuses on lighting, HVAC, building systems, building envelope, and renewables
- Creates energy savings to provide a payment stream
- Voluntary assessment, not conventional debt = off-book financing
- ✓ Assessment remains with the building in the event of a sale





- Requires local government establishing an ESID (Energy Special Improvement District)
- Commercial only, not residential
- Successfully used in 30 states, including Ohio, particularly in the Toledo region
- Dayton Regional Port Authority is prepared to initiate the program



## Advantages to PACE

#### Barriers to EE Upgrades

- 1. Lack of funds
- 2. No lenders

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- Poor ROI- Short term funding
- Might sell property
  - Split incentives
- Debt limitations

#### **PACE Solutions**

- 1. 100% external source
- 2. Unlimited private capital
- 3. Positive cash flow- Long term funding
- 4. Transfer to new owner
- 5. Tenants share cost/savings
- 6. Operating expense





1. Identify interest from building owner

2. Conduct energy efficiency assessment (rebates available)

3. Energy Conservation Measures (ECM) list showing energy savings and simple payback





- 4. Port Authority creates term sheet
- 5. Finalize and sign contract
- 6. Install all EE improvements
- 7. Make annual payments with taxes



# Thank You

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