

2021 EFFICIENCY VERMONT AWARDS BEST OF THE BEST

COMMERCIAL BUILDING DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION

GENERAL AWARD INFORMATION

AWARD CATEGORIES

Do you have a project that went above and beyond standard energy efficiency practices? If so, we want to hear about it. All entries will be considered for Best of the Best in Commercial Building Design and Construction.

SCHEDULE

- **Entries are due by December 4, 2020.** There is no entry fee.
- Judging will be completed in December and winners will be notified in early January.
- Awards will be presented at the Better Buildings by Design 2021 [hfgs](#) conference, taking place February 2-4, 2021.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Must be a commercial, institutional, industrial, or multifamily (5+ units) building located in Vermont.
- Must be a new construction or major renovation (gut rehab) project successfully completed with Efficiency Vermont between January 2017 and December 2020.
- All information and materials submitted with the application must be released and cleared for public reproduction.

SUBMISSION FORMAT

Email to Efficiency Vermont:

1. A fully completed entry form, including a detailed description of the project
2. Digital media (see details below)

DIGITAL MEDIA

Please include images and/or a short video highlighting key aspects of the project. Images may include photos, sketches, graphs, energy rating scores, energy performance data, etc.

- **Up to 10 images allowed.** Photos must be high-resolution. Please include photo credit with submission.
- **One video up to 2 minutes allowed.** YouTube or Vimeo preferred; mp4 ok.

JUDGING CRITERIA

- **High Performance:** Demonstration of a comprehensive, whole-building approach to efficiency; Incorporation of innovative measures for optimal energy use.
- **Economics:** Energy efficiency, economic benefits, and cost-effectiveness of measures and strategies.
- **Building Design:** Overall design approach for purpose and/or site; Sustainability of measures/resources; Non-energy benefits.

RECOGNITION

All entries will be showcased at Efficiency Vermont's Better Buildings by Design 2021 virtual conference February 2-4, and considered for the Commercial Building Design & Construction People's Choice Award.

(New!) Award winners will have the opportunity to participate in a Best of the Best roundtable session at the conference. The (virtual) roundtable will provide the winner the opportunity to discuss their project with conference attendees. More information about this **optional** opportunity will be shared with winners in January.

In addition, each award winner will receive the following:

- Recognition during the keynote address of the Better Buildings by Design 2021 virtual conference.
- Template press release and photo, for use by winner with customers, partners, and local media.
- Promotion in Efficiency Vermont's annual insert in the February issue of Vermont Business Magazine, including project name and photo.
- Promotion on the Efficiency Vermont website.
- Post-conference promotion through Efficiency Vermont marketing channels and on website.
- One complimentary registration for the Better Buildings by Design 2021 virtual Conference.

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