

# **Low Income Consumer Advisory Task Force Meeting February 6, 2015**

#### Agenda Item # 3:

Discussion of utility on-bill financing and other energy efficiency financing options





## **AE Financing Options & Opportunities**

#### Residential Loans

- Existing Home Performance
- Exploring Options for Low to Moderate Income
  - Allowing Lower Credit Scores
  - Reducing Interest Rates







#### **Commercial Loans -- PACE**

## PACE: Property Assessed Clean Energy, SB 385

- Authorizes Local Governments to set up PACE programs
- Property owners can finance qualified improvements
- Loans are assessments voluntarily placed on the property
- Loans are transferrable to new property owners





# PACE Defined

- Owners of commercial, multifamily, industrial properties, and agricultural are eligible
- PACE enables long-term loans for water conservation, energy-efficiency improvements, and renewable retrofits.
- PACE loan may extend up to 20 years
- Utility cost savings can exceed the assessment resulting in positive cash flow
- Loan Payments are paid to or through local government





#### **PACE – Local Activity**

- AE collaborated with others to develop State of Texas PACE-in-the-Box
- AE supports Regional approach through Travis County
- Travis County is setting up PACE program
- Scheduled for February 2015





## **Service Territory**

#### **Austin Energy Service Area Boundaries**

50% City of Austin / 50% Outside City of Austin

- 1. City of Austin
- 2. City of Bee Cave
- 3. Village of the Hills
- 4. City of Lakeway
- 5. City of Rollingwood

- 6. City of Westlake Hills
- 7. City of Sunset Valley
- 8. Village of Creedmoor
- 9. City of Mustang Ridge
- 10. Manchaca

- 11. Buda
- 12. Del Valle
- 13. Manor
- 14. Pflugerville
- 15. Cedar Park



