## Celebrating 100 Years



# **Environmental Stewardship: Advocacy and Action**

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# Reflection Today's Program

"All of us can cooperate as instruments of God for the care of creation, each according to his or her own culture, experience, involvements and talents."

"Because all creatures are connected, each must be cherished with love and respect, for all of us as living creatures are dependent on one another."

"The universe unfolds in God, who fills it completely. ... There is a mystical meaning to be found in a leaf, in a mountain trail, in a dewdrop, in a poor person's face. The ideal is not only to pass from the exterior to the interior to discover the action of God in the soul, but also, to discover God in all things."

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# Your Speaker for Today's Program

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Rachelle Reyes Wenger is the director of public policy and community advocacy for Dignity Health. She is primarily responsible for advancing the organization's public policy and advocacy priorities, mobilizing grassroots advocacy efforts, and developing partnerships in the community to broaden the base of supporters for mission-critical imperatives.

Among the many policy priorities, she manages issues related to health care reform, access and health equity, as well as social justice and environmental health issues. She works in the areas of immigration reform, human trafficking, homelessness, toxic chemicals, climate change and hospital resiliency.

Ms. Wenger received her bachelor's degree in philosophy from the University of California, Berkeley, and holds a master degree in public administration from the California State University, Northridge. Most recently, she was appointed to the Community Hospital of San Bernardino's Board of Directors.

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Clark A. Reed is a national program manager for the ENERGY STAR Commercial Buildings program at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, DC. He leads EPA's efforts to improve the energy efficiency of healthcare facilities by promoting best practices, creating energy management tools, and recognizing top performing hospitals. He managed EPA's efforts to establish an ENERGY STAR score for hospitals, which is now used by 85 percent of the market nationwide, and recently directed the expansion of the ENERGY STAR program to senior care communities.

Mr. Reed regularly publishes and speaks about energy issues and served on the steering committees for both the Green Guide for Health Care and the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED for Healthcare. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in economics from the University of Washington and his master of arts degree in environmental policy from Tufts University.

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- 3. Why choose ENERGY STAR?
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# The picture of success

# the ideal ... clean air healthy people green jobs growing economy

# the reality ...

huge scope

short timeframe

limited resources

resistance to change







# the path to success

- 1. Ways to motivate people to save
- 2. Broad reach
- 3. Transparency
- 4. Demonstrate results in 18 months or less





# ENERGY STAR ... your guide to energy savings





Why choose ENERGY STAR?

low-risk

ENERGY STAR is ... simple

cost-effective





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## An established program.

- 20-year track record
- Bi-partisan market support
- Proven results





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simple

cost-effective

Every year, ENERGY STAR certified buildings and plants save more than 118 MMTCO2e.

That's equal to the emissions from nearly 18 million homes every year (electricity).

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... or from 33 coal-fired power plants

You'd have to grow 3 billion tree seedlings for 10 years to sequester that much carbon.

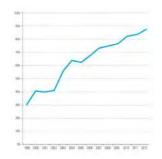




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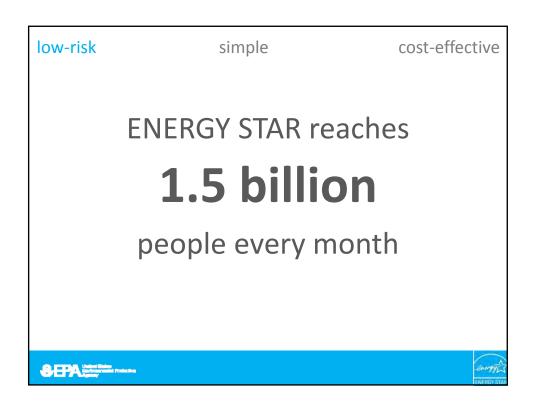
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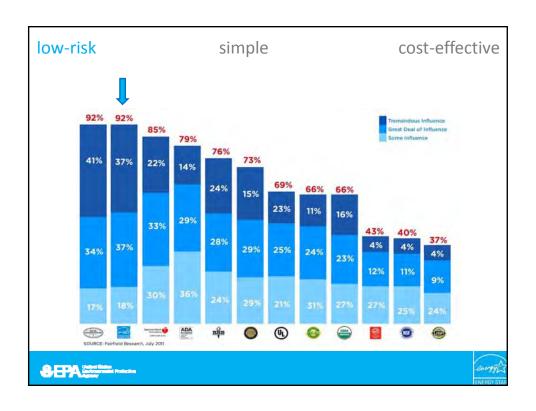
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- You don't need to spend time or resources building awareness, understanding, or credibility.



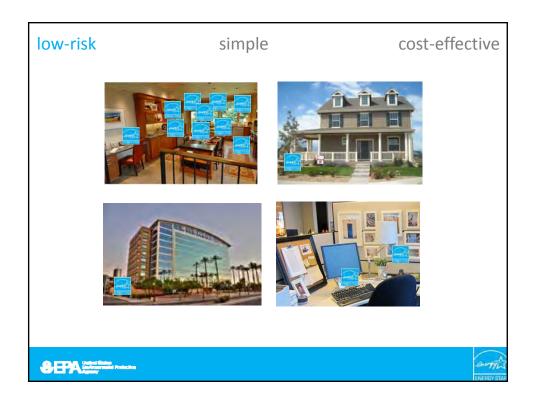












Your stakeholders

know and trust

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### A common language.

Understood, accepted, and actionable by consumers, businesses, utilities, tenants, managers, and the media





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**Real savings:** ENERGY STAR certified buildings use, on average 35% less energy

**Environmental benefit:** They cause, on average, 35% fewer greenhouse gas emissions

**Higher Rent:** ENERGY STAR certified buildings rent for 6.5% more

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\$1-per-sq. ft. savings in office buildings increases cash flow by \$0.95 and asset value by \$13 per square foot





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A common platform.

- Free
- Performance metrics and information
- Industry-standard benchmarking tool









An active network.

• A network of peers who can help you avoid pitfalls and costly mistakes

• A ready-made network of supporters, on the ground, in your state or city



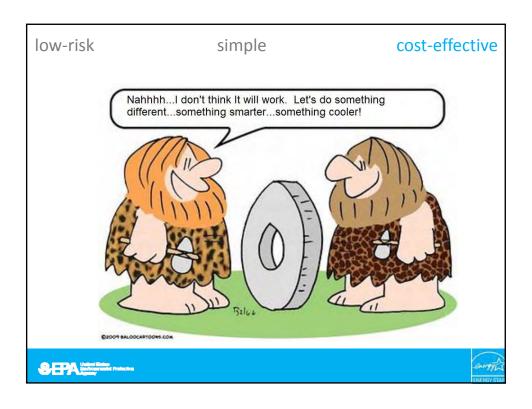
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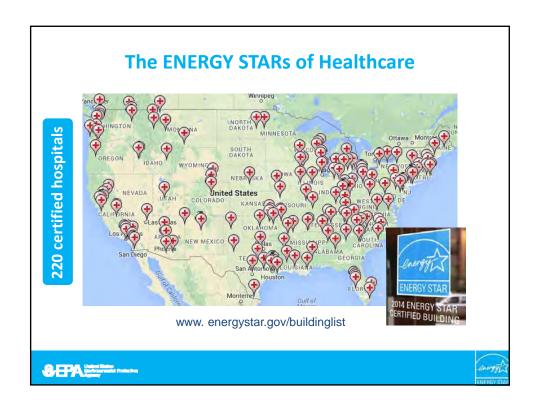
- A proven platform that works
- The largest, most highly leveraged government-sponsored energy program in history
- We've helped healthcare systems like yours do the same

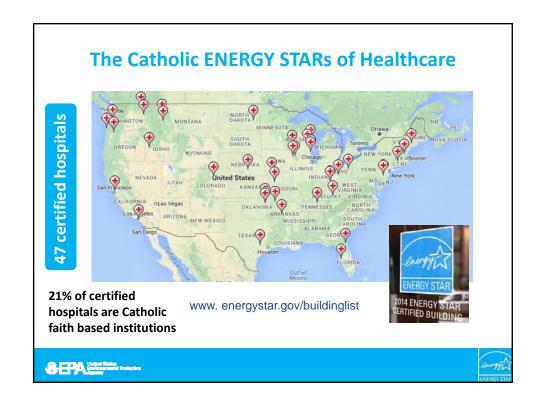


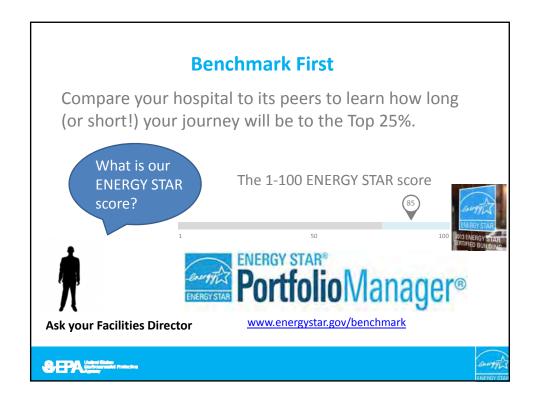


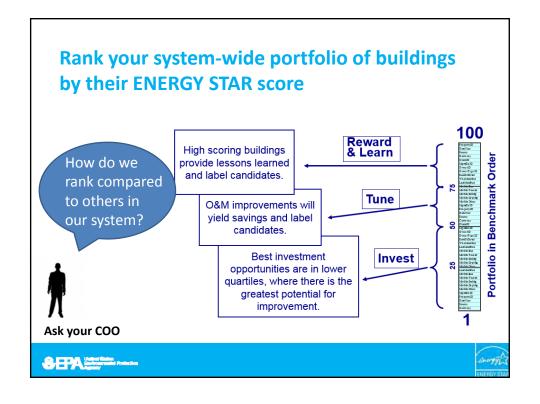


# ENERGY STAR certification Make it your goal



















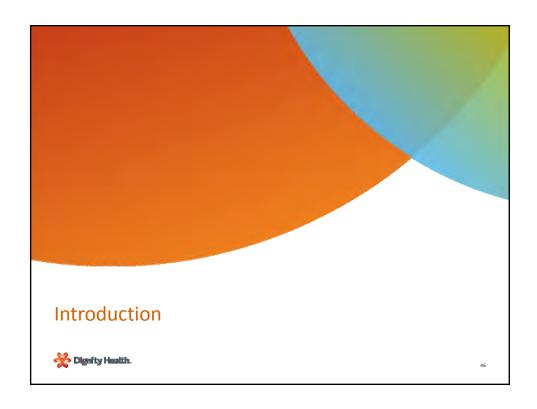
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# Thank you!



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- Your voice is beautiful and unique
- Healing mission is a calling to integral ecology
- Catholic health care depends on our collective voice to heal Earth
- Describe mission-basis for environmental advocacy and action
- Understand Climate Change: What it is for Catholic health care
- Tell your own sacred story



### "Advocacy As Ministry"



Environmental advocacy is personal.

It is a calling to divinity, a personification of a great sacred story.

Environmental advocacy is also our business. The sustainability of the health care mission is dependent on it.

As leaders of a healing ministry, our voice matters—it's the presence that gives evidence to who we are; it's the meaning-making that further advances our commitment to ecojustice; and it's the breath, in the mystery, whisper, silence, that tell us more must be done to protect human health and the environment.

Environmental Advocacy: The Voices of Sacred Stories, Health Progress, March-April 2005 Issue



### Laudato Si': "On Care for Our Common Home"



- "The entire material universe speaks of God's love, his boundless affection for us. Soil, water, mountains, everything is, as it were, a caress of God."
- "We have forgotten that we ourselves are dust of the earth (Genesis 2:7); our very bodies are made up of her elements, we breathe her air and we receive life and refreshment from her waters."
- "Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society."

Encyclical Letter Laudato Si'of the Holy Father Francis On Care for the Common Home, The Holy See



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### Our Healing Mission: A Calling to Integral Ecology



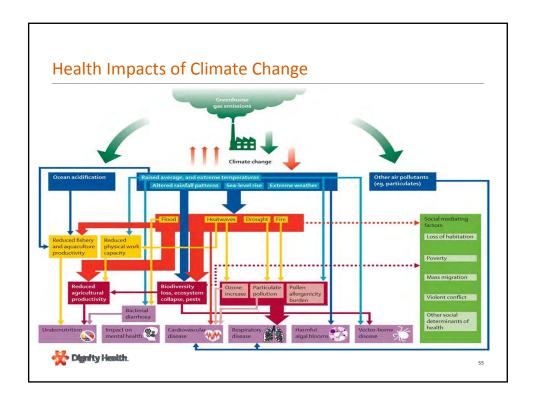
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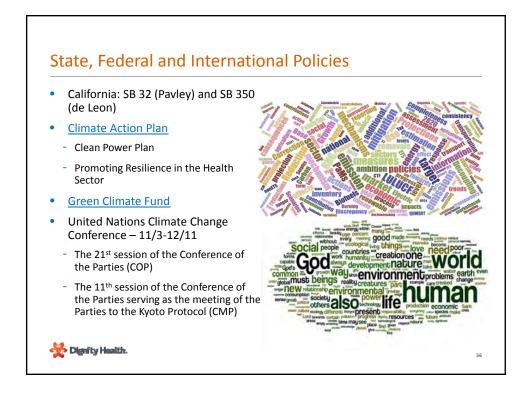


### What is Climate Change and Global Warming?

- Climate change refers to any significant change in the measures of climate lasting for an extended period of time. Climate change includes major changes in temperature, precipitation, or wind patterns, among other effects, that occur over several decades or longer.
- Global warming refers to the recent and ongoing rise in global average temperature near Earth's surface. It is caused mostly by increasing concentrations of greenhouse gas (GHG) in the atmosphere. Global warming is causing climate patterns to change. However, global warming itself represents only one aspect of climate change.
- Evidence:
  - Changes in weather and climate
    - Our Earth is warming. Earth's average temperature has risen over 1.4% in the last century and is projected to rise another 2 to 11.5% over the next hundred years
    - Frequent and severe heatwaves, fires
  - Changes in rainfall
    - Floods, droughts, intense rain
  - Changes in oceans and glaciers
    - Oceans are warming and becoming more acidic; ice caps are melting; sea levels are rising









### **Key Messages**

- Our lives are connected to the climate
- Climate change affects everyone and all living things
- The poor and vulnerable are most impacted and must be protected
- We can reduce the risks we'll face from climate change
- Business cannot be as usual; Health care voice is critical and must be part of the solution
- We can make a difference





"The climate is a common good; belonging to all and meant for all."



"The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change."



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