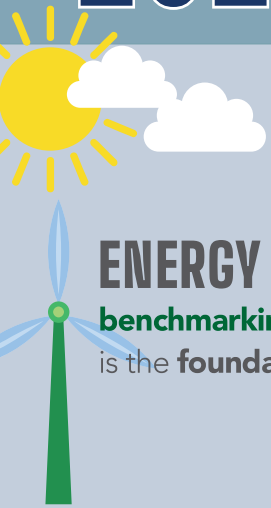
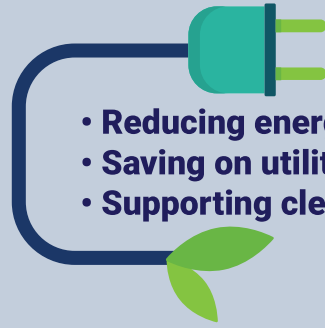
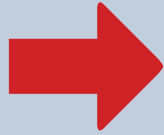


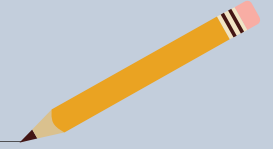
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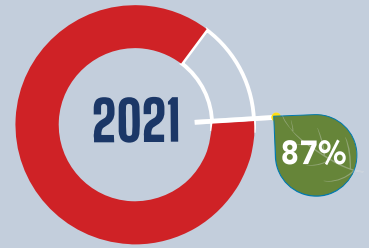
ENERGY
benchmarking
is the foundation for



- Reducing energy,
- Saving on utility costs, &
- Supporting clean energy jobs.



REACH
Under **Chicago Energy Benchmarking**,
87% of large buildings reported their energy use in 2021,
up from 85% in 2020.



IMPACT AND OPPORTUNITY

The median carbon emissions per square foot (GHG intensity) from reporting properties are down by **37%** since **2016**. Energy use per sq. ft. (also known as Energy Use Intensity) for buildings reporting in the last three consecutive years (2019-2021) has dropped by **7%**.



BUILDING ON SUCCESS

The **Chicago Energy Rating System** was implemented in **2019** to increase **awareness** of energy use. Building owners are required to display a placard illustrating their building's energy performance on an annual basis to the general public. Approximately **39%** of buildings received a four out of four-star rating in **2021**. Chicago is proud to have been the **first city in the nation** to require this kind of **transparency**.



To learn more, go to: www.CityofChicago.org/EnergyBenchmarking
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