EESI is dedicated to promoting sustainable societies, accelerating the transition to a new, low-emissions economy. To achieve our goals, EESI advances innovative climate solutions and policies that set us on a cleaner, more secure, and sustainable energy path.

**KEY ACHIEVEMENTS**

**ENERGY**
- Expanded our beneficial electrification efforts
- Spurred energy efficiency programs in 12 states
- Emphasized equity through projects aimed at reducing energy cost burdens
- Maximized the reach of USDA’s Rural Energy Savings Program

**POLICY**
- Tested before the U.S. Senate on the importance of energy efficiency
- Submitted recommendations to the House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis

**MEDIA**
- Launched Climate Change Solutions, our new biweekly newsletter

**CLIMATE**
- Advanced our work on making U.S. communities more resilient to the impacts of climate change
- Increased the visibility and impact of our work; doubled our media coverage compared to 2018
I was an admirer of EESI long before I joined the team in October 2019. And not just because of everything EESI has accomplished since 1984. I see how EESI’s work will be essential for years to come. It is a matter of “when” not “if” the federal government once again takes climate change seriously and enacts the policies needed to meet greenhouse gas reduction targets.

To do that, our leaders need to know their options and understand the benefits of climate policies, especially how different policies can work together. That is how we can ensure we realize progress rapidly and efficiently—while not burdening disadvantaged or marginalized communities. As a nonpartisan resource for policymakers and citizens alike, EESI is perfectly positioned to help inform and shape an effective U.S. response to climate change.

Because you are reading this, you share EESI’s commitment to achieving a more sustainable and equitable world. Thanks for your commitment to advancing climate solutions. I look forward to working with you as we look to the future.

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**IN PROGRESS**

1. Writing a coastal resilience policy report based on our briefing series
SUCCESSFUL PROGRAM LAUNCH IN WASHINGTON STATE

With EESI’s assistance, Orcas Power and Light Cooperative launched its on-bill financing program last year. The program provides a way for customers to access clean energy upgrades without taking on extra debt. They can install efficient heat pumps and electric vehicle chargers to transition away from propane and gasoline, respectively. In 2019, OPALCO completed 96 projects totaling more than $800,000 in energy upgrades. Another 38 are in development. EESI is working across the country to scale up this approach—providing expanded and more equitable access to clean energy upgrades.

“The Orcas Power and Light program was a great way to get our heating systems up to date without the upfront capital expenses.”
Sara Farish, Program Customer

A LOOK AT RESILIENCE IN COASTAL COMMUNITIES

While continuing to focus on curbing emissions, EESI has also delved into coastal resilience, with 16 briefings and two fact sheets. Forty-two experts from the country’s coastal regions (including the Great Lakes and Puerto Rico) discussed the programs that enable communities to withstand climate impacts. We can save up to $11 in post-disaster rebuilding costs for every dollar invested in resilience. EESI’s briefings showcased nature-based solutions, such as wetlands and living shorelines, which have bipartisan support for their social and environmental advantages and good fiscal sense.

TOP 5 BRIEFINGS

247 ATTENDEES
Green Infrastructure: A Blueprint for Climate Resilient Communities

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How Climate Change Affects the United States: Exploring the NCA and IPCC Reports

206 ATTENDEES
Equitable Solutions to Rural Energy Burdens

187 ATTENDEES
Decommissioning: A New Era in the U.S. Nuclear Power Industry

160 ATTENDEES
Energy Efficiency Jobs Are Green Jobs

EESI briefing on community-centered resilience in Louisiana

Helping green banks apply for zero-interest federal loans to expand on-bill financing programs for more homeowners and small businesses

Relaunching and expanding our Advisory Board to inform our approach and put expert opinions into action