



# Property Assessed Clean Energy Program





# What is PACE?

Property Assessed Clean Energy ("PACE") is a public policy initiative created through Section 163.08 of the Florida Statues to allow for the financing of qualified improvements to real property related to renewable energy, energy conservation/efficiency and wind hardening.

### **Program Development**

2008 2010 2012 2013

- State Legislature
  - Reduction of energy use through conservation and efficiency measures
  - Increased Building Energy Performance
  - Adopted energy conservation planning requirements for local governments

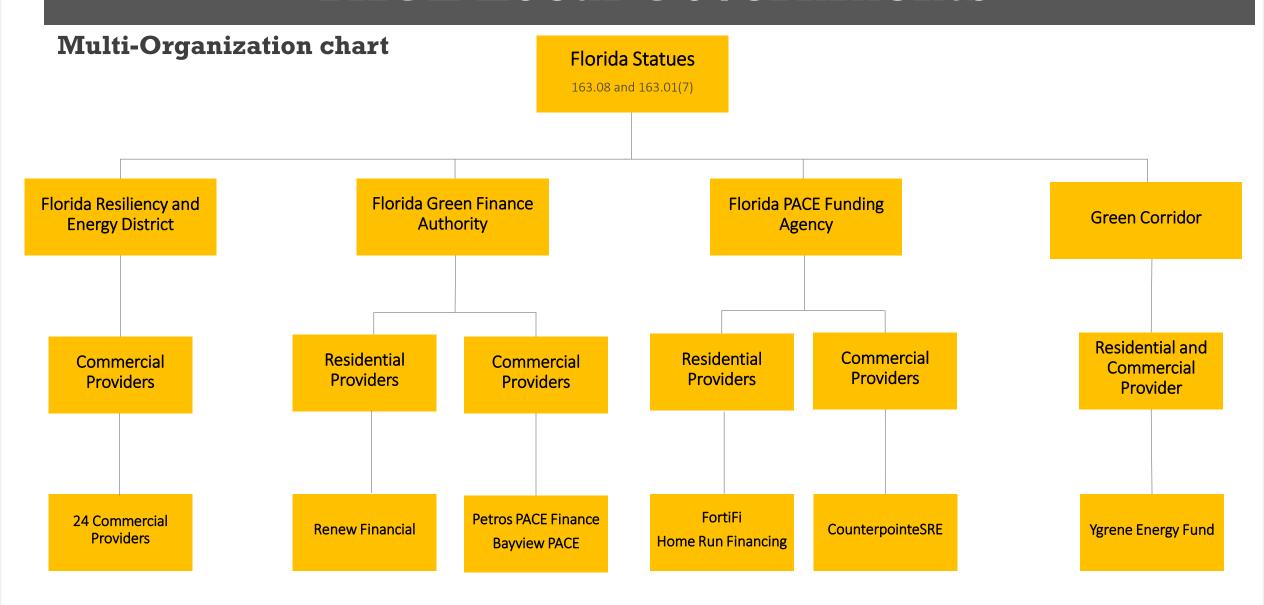
- PACE Statute 163.08
  - The Legislature found that properties improved with "Qualified Improvements" receive a special benefit and there is a compelling state interest in enabling property owners to voluntarily finance such improvements with "Local Government" assistance
- PACE Local Governments
- FS 163.08 defines a Local Government as a County, a municipality or a separate legal entity created pursuant to FS 163.01(7)
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- PACE Assessments
  - Initial Assessments levied
  - 50,000+ Residential PACE transactions
  - 100+ Commercial PACE transactions

#### PACE Local Governments

- > Four (4) PACE Local Governments
  - Adoption of Resolution
  - Interlocal Agreement with County and/or Municipality
- Provide turn-key PACE Program
  - Program Administration
  - Assessment Administration
  - Program Oversight
- Levy and collect the non-ad valorem assessments to fund Qualifying Improvements
  - Services Agreement with Tax Collector and Property Appraiser
  - Similar non-ad valorem assessments include solid waste, drainage and street lighting

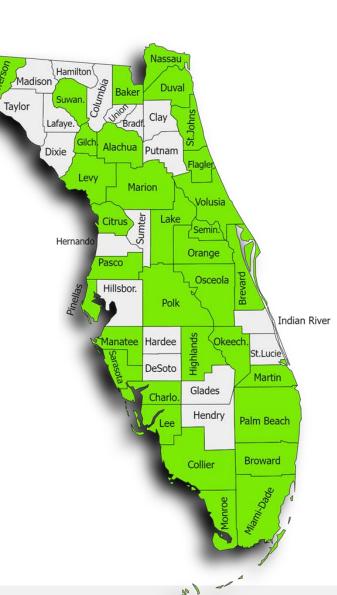
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## PACE Footprint - Florida

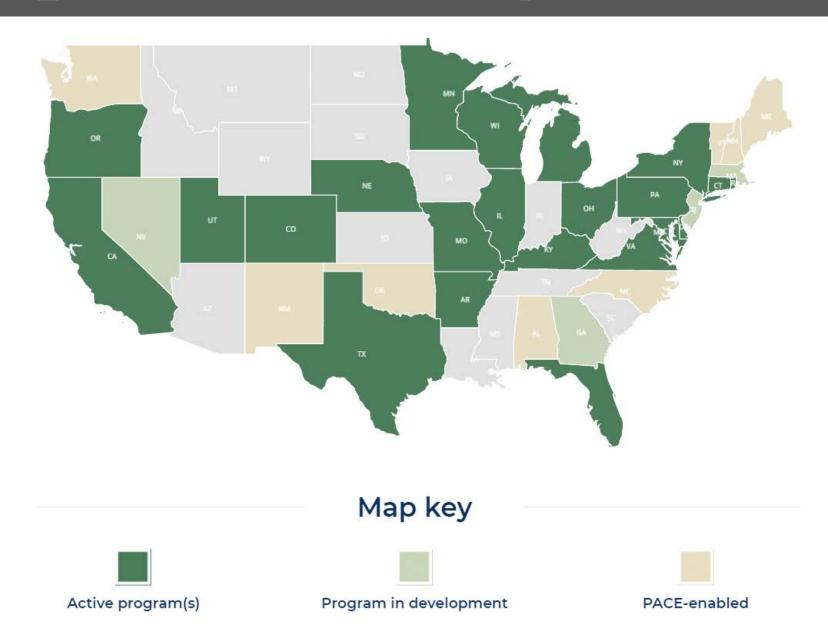
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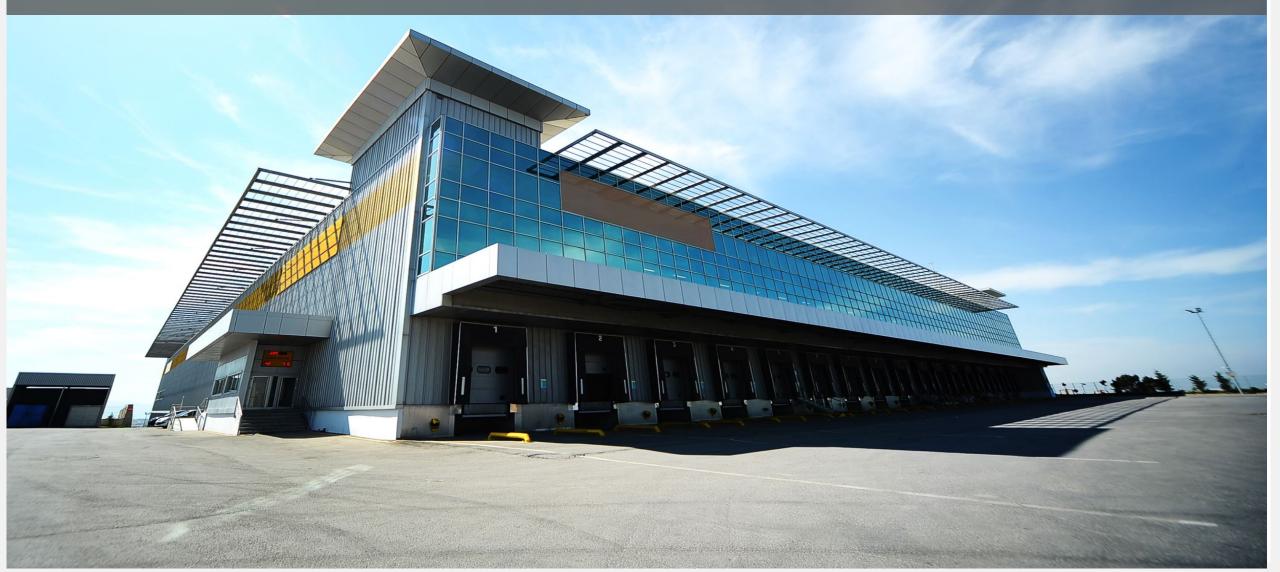


# Program Footprint – Nationally

**PACE-enabling** legislation is active in 37 states plus D.C., and PACE programs are now active (launched and operating) in 22 states plus D.C.







## C-PACE Financing Process

#### **Project Eligibility**

#### Project Review

#### **Project Closing**

- Determine Project and Building Eligibility
- Review Construction Documents
- Eligible Improvements
   Determined

- Term Sheet Executed
- Amortization Schedule Developed
- Financial Advisor Review
- Final Assessment Resolution Adopted
- Engineering and Title Report
- Sr. Lender Notice/Consent

- Financing Document
   Development and Review
- Closing/Funding
- Summary Memorandum Recorded (Lien)
- Assessment Data
   Uploaded to Tax Collector
- Annual Assessment Resolutions Adopted (Annual Lien)

#### **C-PACE** Eligible Improvements

**HVAC Systems** 

Roofing

Building Envelope Hot Water Delivery Systems

High Efficiency Lighting

Solar

Motors and Drives

Wind Hardening

#### **C-PACE Eligible Properties**

Multi-Family

Industrial

Agriculture

Office/ Retail

Hospitality

Mixed-Use

Special Purpose

Medical

#### **C-PACE Financing Benefits**

100% financing of hard and soft costs

Terms up to 30 Years (based on EUL of improvements)

C-PACE LTV up to 30%

Non-recourse; Runs with the land, not the borrower

Not subject to acceleration or callable in the event of non-payment

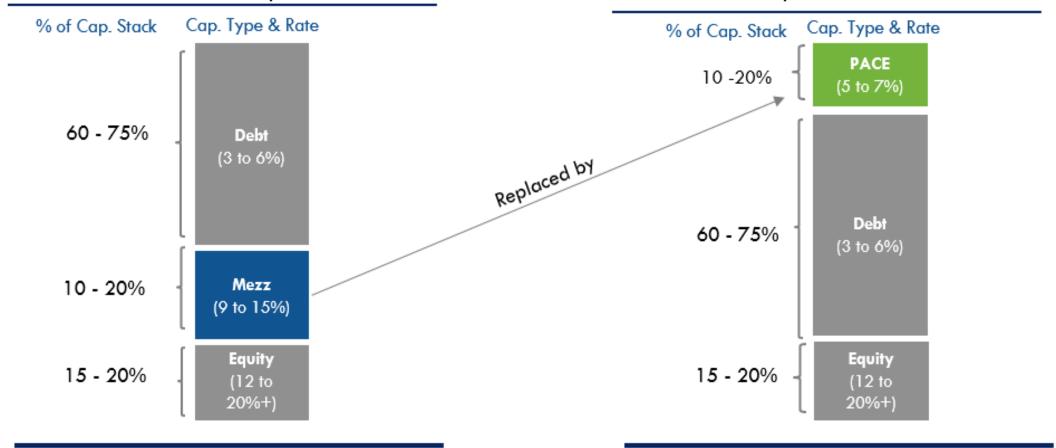
Expense, not debt

Decreases utility and maintenance costs

Displaces higher cost mezzanine and equity capital



#### New CRE Capital Stack with PACE



BLENDED CAPITAL RATE 8.2%

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#### **C-PACE** Project

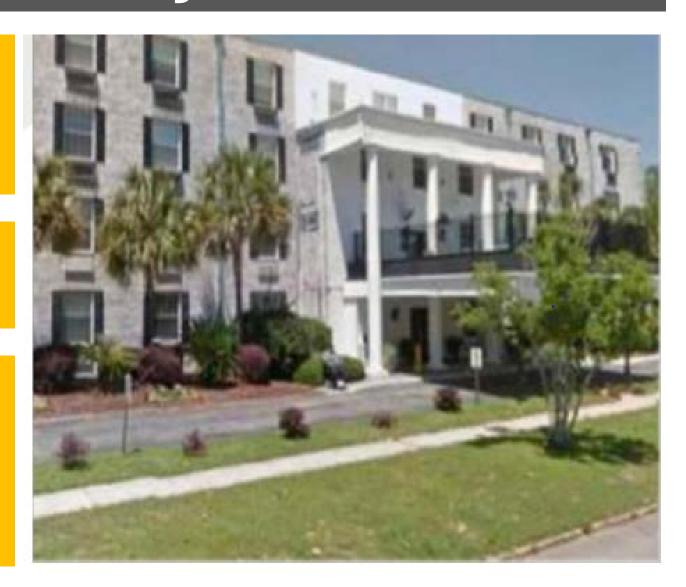
Southern Oaks Rehabilitation & Nursing Center Pensacola, FL

Project: Impact Windows, Impact Roof & Elevators

PACE Transaction: \$527,860 –25 Years

**Property:** Assisted Living Facility

Built in 1978, the Southern Oaks Rehabilitation & Nursing Center replaced the original roof and 267 windows to conform with <u>updated Florida Building Code</u> and help <u>reduce insurance premiums</u>. In addition, the owner upgraded elevators to modernize the building and <u>decrease energy</u> usage.



#### **C-PACE** Project



# Hilton, Ocala, FL

**Project: HVAC Chiller Financing** 

PACE Transaction: \$634,995 –30 Years

**Property: Hospitality** 

Located near Ocala International Airport and Paddock Mall, this 196-room full-service Hilton hotel completed a chiller replacement using PACE financing. The owner expects to save nearly \$700,000 over the useful life of the improvement.

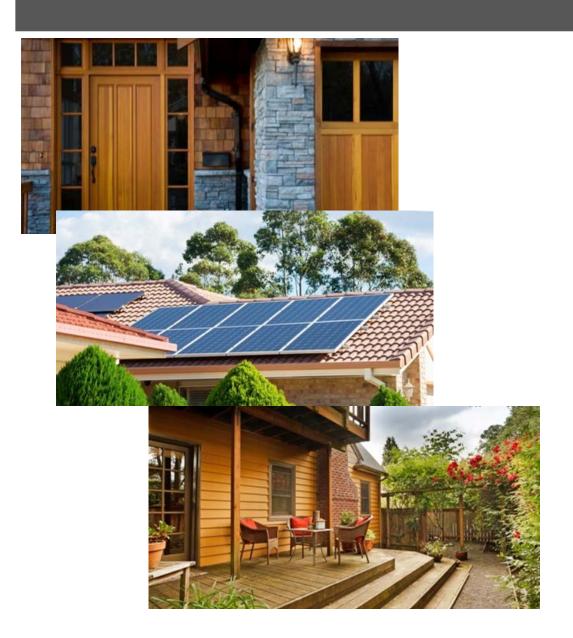




#### R-PACE PROGRAM OVERVIEW

- > Voluntary non-ad valorem assessment
- Annual installment on property tax bill (no discount on PACE assessment)
- Assessment is attached to the property, not the property owners' credit
- Repaid over a fixed term at a fixed interest rate with the term never to exceed the useful life of the improvement
- No pre-payment penalty
- Uniform Method of Collection Agreement with Tax Collector for placement & fee

#### R-PACE ELIGIBLE IMPROVEMENTS



- > IMPACT WINDOWS & DOORS
- > ROOFING
- > HVAC: HEATING & COOLING
- > SOLAR PANELS & STORAGE
- > BACKUP POWER GENERATORS
- > LIGHTING
- > INSULATION
- > WATER HEATERS
- > POOL PUMPS & POOL HEATERS

#### R-PACE FINANCING BENEFITS

PACE covers up to 100% upfront cost. Not credit based.

Financing terms up to 30 years with fixed, single digit interest rates. Affordable payments.

Interest rates based on selected repayment term, not on borrower's financial profile or project size.

Available to residential, commercial, homestead not required.

Potential to reduce utility bills and realize savings on property insurance.

Can be combined with utility, local and federal incentive programs.

#### R-PACE CONSUMER PROTECTIONS



Review of eligible measures, fair pricing



Strong underwriting criteria



Identity Verification



Right to cancel



Transparent terms and fees



Documents Translated



'Know Before You Owe' Disclosures



Confirmation of Terms Call with Property Owners



Payment to contractor after installation



**Dispute Resolution** 



Verification of contractor license & permits

# R-PACE CONTRACTOR QUALITY ASSURANCE



Contractor license, background check, workers' comp, and bond/insurance screening



**Training and registration** 



Watch lists, contractor reviews, ongoing skills assessment, monitoring













No Cost Turn-Key Program

Increases Property Values

Improves Building Stock

Promotes Economic Development

Supports Energy Reduction

Supports Sustainable Policies



Stimulates Local Job Creation

# Local Government Highlights

### **Next Steps**

Review Resolution and Agreements

- PACE Local Governments provide form of resolution and Interlocal Agreements (ILA)
- County counsel reviews ILA's
- Final ILA forms attached to resolution

Schedule and Adopt Resolution

- PACE added as an agenda item
- Commission considers adoption of the PACE Program

**Execute and Record Agreements** 

- Administrator or Designee signs ILA's
- PACE Local
   Government
   executes, records
   and provides a copy
   of ILA to the County
- Services Agreements with the TC and PA

#### Thank You



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