Boston, your buildings need our help.



Fossil Fuels Dominate GHG Emissions in 2016



Buildings account for >2/3 of Boston's emissions.

Technologies exist to transform Boston's buildings with deep energy retrofits, but reality is far more challenging.

Building envelope retrofits are expensive, messy, invasive and SLOW. At our current pace, we won't retrofit low-income households until 2200.

Scalable deep energy retrofits require a disruptive change in building technologies.

IoT, Technology & Innovation, meet legacy building practices



Without the envelope, there is literally no building.

Envelope upgrades have not changed >100 years and rely on materials with high embodied carbon.

Each building in Boston is a snowflake. This sounds cute, but it's really BAD for deep energy retrofits!

Boston must meet this challenge with modern technologies: *automation, digitization and manufacturing*.

Electrification = heat pumps = working fluids

This project has received funding from the European Union's Horizo

Project Drawdown listed Refrigerant Management as #1.

Don't replace emissions from fuel-driven equipment with, far more potent, refrigerant leaks.

Boston must electrify everything and deploy high performance heat pumps, but it's not enough.

How do we prepare Boston's buildings for non-vapor compression equipment?

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFICE OF ENERGY EFFICIENCY & RENEWABLE



Boston's buildings are beautiful AND inspiring AND they can drive economic growth.



Local, non-exportable

Improve resilience



Are you designing a building and wan to make it more resilient?



Increase construction productivity





We spend more than 90% of our time in buildings

Meeting The Paris Agreement's Temperature Goal Avoids Substantial Heat-Related Mortality In U.S. Cities



Source: University of Washington



Source: Carbon Free Boston



To achieve a Carbon Free Boston by 2050, regarding IoT, Tech & Innovation, the most critical obstacle to winning is universal access to affordable, desirable deep energy retrofits of residential & commercial buildings.