Team: NCS Collaborative

The Challenge:

The "**split incentive problem**" is one of many symptoms of systemic issues in the energy industry. Energy burdened communities (particularly low-income households and renters) often cannot benefit from the very energy efficiency and clean energy incentives meant to lower their costs. In order to ensure justice is inherently built into the clean energy transition, we must transform not only our energy technologies, but also the underlying energy economics systems that currently fail to treat electricity as a public good.

The Goal:

Develop a community-led, data-informed alternative to consumption-based electricity bills which **reduces energy burden** and energy poverty by systemically **transforming the way people pay for electric services** (i.e. utility cost recovery)

Phase 1 Plan and Outcomes:

1- Convene a **coalition of community voices**, environmental advocates, policy experts, researchers and analysts committed to identifying an alternative to consumption-based electricity billing.
2- Agree on at least one **proposed electric billing alternative** to be analyzed and developed in Phase 2.
3 - Draft a **Phase 2 plan**.

Introduction to the Team! (Role in the Collaborative)

Core Team:

NCS – Develops community energy solutions at the intersection of creativity and purpose. (Project lead, facilitation and analytics)

GTCF: Connects people, knowledge, and funding to build a racially equitable, accessible, inclusive Pierce County, now and for generations to come. (Aligned funding and community engagement)

NTNU –Participates in educational and research activities on an international level. (Research partner and host)

Other Partners:

NWEC – Advances clean, equitable, and affordable energy policies by leveraging analytic expertise and convening a broad alliance of people and organizations. (Policy development and environmental advocacy)

Peoples Energy Analytics– Provides data-based solution designed to modernize the way organizations improve the lives of their customers. (Energy poverty analytics)

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