



**Stoughton Utilities**

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# News Release

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### **Stoughton Recognized as National Renewable Energy Leader**

Stoughton continues to receive national recognition from the Department of Energy National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) as the community's participation in green power programs ranks in the top 10 for the eighth time in more than a decade.

NREL evaluated the renewable energy efforts of utilities in four categories and released lists of the top 10 utilities across the nation. NREL's list for Green Power Participation Rates measures the percentage of customers who participated in a utility's renewable or "green" energy programs.

"Stoughton's residents continue to receive much deserved national attention when it comes to renewable energy," said Jill Weiss, utilities director of Stoughton Utilities. "Having so many people invested in a zero-carbon future is very exciting. I hope we can continue leading the way until every town and city in the country runs on 100% renewable energy."

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NREL's list for Green Power Participation Rates measures the percentage of customers who participate in a utility's renewable or 'green' energy programs. The Green Pricing Sales Rate ranks utilities by the same categories. Stoughton's rate was nearly 4% in 2022.

One of the utility's most popular offerings, Choose Renewable, helped the community obtain this recognition. The program allows customers to sign up to increase their monthly bill by a few dollars, ensuring their space is powered by renewable energy such as solar, wind and biogas. A typical home can run on clean energy with the purchase of two to three blocks, with one 300 kilowatt-hour (kWh) block costing \$2 per month.

Stoughton Utilities is a member of WPPI Energy, a not-for-profit joint action agency which is owned by the members it serves. WPPI Energy has set a target to become carbon neutral by 2050.

To learn more about Stoughton Utilities' renewable energy efforts, visit [stoughtonutilities.com](http://stoughtonutilities.com).

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Founded in 1886, Stoughton Utilities serves electric customers in Stoughton and the surrounding area, and wastewater and water customers in Stoughton.

The American Public Power Association is the voice of not-for-profit, community-owned utilities that power 49 million people in 2,000 towns and cities nationwide. The Association advocates and advises on electricity policy, technology, trends, training, and operations.