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## **Arapahoe County recognized for leadership in energy efficiency**

*Xcel Energy recognizes County for energy, cooling and motor efficiencies*

**Littleton, Colo. ---** Arapahoe County received three certificates of recognition Tuesday for its leadership role in energy efficiency. The County is the first local government to receive these certificates, presented by Xcel Energy.

The certificates included energy efficiency, cooling efficiency and motor efficiency, which will result in \$182,000 in annual savings for the County and \$94,000 in rebates from Xcel Energy.

Arapahoe County replaced existing cooling equipment in its buildings that resulted in an estimated annual electricity energy savings of more than \$5,000. Through the Demand Side Management energy conservation rebate program, Xcel Energy provided rebates in the amount of more than \$6,000 for the installation of more energy efficient cooling equipment.

By converting existing motors and variable frequency drives, Arapahoe County saved more than \$24,000 and received rebates from Xcel Energy in the amount of \$7,800.

The County changed lighting fixtures to more energy efficient fixtures and installed lighting controls in its buildings that will result in an estimated annual electricity energy savings of more than \$151,000. Xcel Energy provided rebates to the County in the amount of \$80,412 to retrofit energy efficient lighting sources.

“We are proud to be the first government entity to be recognized,” said Commissioner Pat Noonan. “Taking a leadership role in this effort will hopefully encourage other entities to follow suit and make changes within their own buildings.”

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