



## NOENMCC SUSTAINABILITY UPGRADES BY THE NUMBERS

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### EXHIBIT HALL UPGRADES



**50,000+**

Local labor hours for installation



**4,000+**

Light fixtures replaced with LEDs and 40 miles of new wiring



**LARGEST ENERGY SMART PROGRAM UPGRADE IN NEW ORLEANS**



**65,000**

Bottles filled to date at 87 new water bottle filling stations



**37**

Sets of restrooms upgraded with low-flow fixtures



**2 NEW COOLING TOWERS**

4 new high efficiency chillers, 6 boilers and a new systems monitoring station



**15**

New Orleans neighborhood-themed charging stations

**200**



Trees planted in a new 7.5-acre pedestrian park featuring rain gardens that help manage stormwater



**11 MILLION**

In contracts awarded to local small and emerging businesses in 2021



**1 MILLION**

Additional square feet added to the recycling program

## PROGRESS FOR A MORE SUSTAINABLE CONVENTION CENTER

So much more than just a venue, The New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center (NOENMCC) helps support the local economy by hosting some of the largest conventions in the nation.

With hundreds of thousands of visitors in and out of the facilities every year, the Convention Center recognizes the responsibility — and the opportunity — of reducing energy use, water use and waste to help transform New Orleans into a more sustainable destination for all visitors and clients.

The NOENMCC recently completed one of the largest energy-saving initiatives ever undertaken in the region. The ambitious energy efficiency upgrades are expected to save hundreds of thousands of dollars and millions of kilowatt hours, making the facility significantly more sustainable.

Part of an extensive five-year capital improvement plan, the facility upgrades represent a major step forward in the Convention Center's plan to achieve LEED Certification — the most widely used green building rating system in the world, which provides a framework for healthy, highly efficient and cost-saving green buildings.

Enhancing the facility's aesthetic appeal is also an important part of the plan. Renovations to the Convention Center's 140 meeting rooms and public spaces are designed to reflect and celebrate elements of New Orleans' unique topography and iconic culture — while upgrading and modernizing the facility for a more energy-efficient and sustainable future.

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NOENMCC employees enjoy a drink after the installation of new water bottle filling stations.



Rain gardens manage stormwater at the newly constructed pedestrian park.



Workers install a new water-cooling tower to improve the Convention Center's HVAC systems.



Convention Center employees helm the newly renovated HVAC Control Center.