

CNIC Promotes Energy Action Month

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Energy Action Month is here and Navy Installations Command (NIC) is committed to doing its part.

With over 80,000 facilities and nearly 2 million acres of land to support the fleet, fighter and family, shore installations play a vital role in energy conservation. Sailors and civilians worldwide are helping make Navy facilities and infrastructure more efficient by working together to improve efficiency in shore energy consumption, and increasing the use of alternative and renewable energy across the enterprise.



Energy is a strategic resource and to best meet the NIC mission, leadership and staffs are reaffirming their commitment to continued awareness in conserving energy and operating more efficiently.

"It is the right thing to do," said Cmdr. Jay Cavnar, NIC's energy branch head. "Every kilowatt-hour, BTU or gallon of fuel that we can avoid using - while still meeting our full mission -- allows us to stretch limited resources for mission success."

Throughout the month of October installations and regional commands are doing their part to contribute to this month's focus, but realize that energy action is a daily effort year-round and not just a one-month drill.

"Observing where we may become more energy efficient throughout the year to support our operations around the world is vitally important to improving fleet readiness," said Lt. Cmdr. Gareth Montgomery, one of NIC's energy action officers. "Improved readiness and efficiency means better operational capability for the warfighter."

According to Sandrine Schultz, NIC's energy program manager, "We must monitor our energy consumption closely to gather actionable information required to implement cost-effective energy initiatives across all Navy installations."

Efforts are being made around the world and resources which highlight energy efficiency may be found on the Navy Installations Command website <http://cnic.navy.mil/energy> and FB pages including <https://www.facebook.com/navybrite>.

The Navy's website <http://greenfleet.dodlive.mil/energy/energywarrior> also offers a free Energy Warrior app, which allows individuals to view videos and discover what Sailors, civilians, and others Navy-wide are doing to lead change and increase combat capability.

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