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BETTER PRACTICE



MAINE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS: Lead by Example (Maine Department of Corrections' Effort to Lower Carbon Emissions)

The Maine Department of Corrections implemented a series of carbon reduction initiatives across its portfolio mounting solar panels, installing high efficiency rating systems and getting facilities 50001 Ready recognition, along with additional water use reduction measures.



Mounted 118 solar panels and ensured best efficiency ratings for all systems in the recently reopened Down East Correctional Facility (DCF)



Achieved recognition as a 50001 Ready facility at the DCF and expects all facilities to be 50001 Ready recognized over the next few years



Donated over 20,000 pounds of food to the local community, farmed using self-made compost



Replacing wood boiler and steam pipes with heat pumps, expecting to reduce millions of gallons of water usage

