

About the 2019 Icebox Derby Program

Now in its sixth year, the Icebox Derby is an educational initiative that is designed to empower young women to explore opportunities in science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) fields and help them discover their own path to innovation.

- As a STEM-focused company, ComEd is committed to investing in the country's future generation of innovators, while bridging the gender gap that persists in STEM fields. These girls are our workforce of the future.
- Icebox Derby is a community program through which ComEd invites thirty girls, ages 13-18, from across the Chicagoland area to turn recycled refrigerators into electric and solar-powered racecars, learning and getting hands-on experience in STEM. They're mentored by female ComEd engineers along the way, and in the end they race each other for additional scholarship funds and the STEM Cup at our August Icebox Derby Race Day event.
- Over the course of the Icebox Derby program, participants will have the opportunity to learn about renewable energy through the lens of solar power, as each racecar is powered partially by solar panels. This is just one of the many ways ComEd is focused on leveraging solar power and other renewable resources to drive the clean energy future across Illinois.
- During four Build Sessions, teams are required to develop a new part of their vehicle while mastering the various STEM concepts needed to effectively design their electric car. The program will culminate in a grand prix race in Daley Plaza on Saturday, August 3.
- Every girl who completes the Icebox Derby program will receive a scholarship of \$1,500.

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