CAER provides energy outreach to citizens in Eastern Kentucky via an energy extension agent, located in Morgan Co. This outreach agent assists local governments, schools, and industry in developing energy projects and educating them on the capabilities of the center, the university, legislative policy, and the state’s strategy for energy independence.

Specifically, this agent:

- Provides university resources across the Commonwealth
- Participates in outreach and technical assistance including:
  - environmental partnerships
  - coal conferences and short courses
  - state trade associations including local chambers of commerce, forest industries, local government officials, area development districts, etc.
- Offers assistance to start-up companies
- Partners with:
  - small business development centers,
  - state colleges, universities, and community colleges
- Assists with projects on:
  - biomass, ethanol, coal blending, energy crops, etc.
  - shut-in natural gas wells
  - coal and biomass briquetting
  - gasification
  - hydroelectric generation
- Helps county and city governments on energy efficiency projects