



# Energy Efficiency for Buildings Business

## How to get started

1. Call Paula Steele at City Green to request a 'GreenStart' consultation, an overview of the energy efficiency programs available for your building.
2. **Office and Retail Building Owners:** Sign up on-line for a free lighting audit under the BC Hydro Product and Incentive Program, or,

**Home-Based Business Owners:**  
Book a home energy assessment with City Green Solutions, complete energy upgrades and access federal & provincial grants.

3. Reap the rewards of related rebates, lower energy bills, reduced greenhouse gas emissions and increased indoor air quality and comfort!

## For more information



[www.saanich.ca/climate/climatechange.html](http://www.saanich.ca/climate/climatechange.html)

OR contact Paula Steele, City Green Solutions  
Community Energy Manager  
for the District of Saanich  
250 381 9995, [energiguide@citygreen.ca](mailto:energiguide@citygreen.ca)

## Other Resources

BC Hydro Product and Incentive Program  
[www.bchydro.com/business](http://www.bchydro.com/business)

BC Hydro Team Power Smart  
[www.bchydro.com/powersmart](http://www.bchydro.com/powersmart)

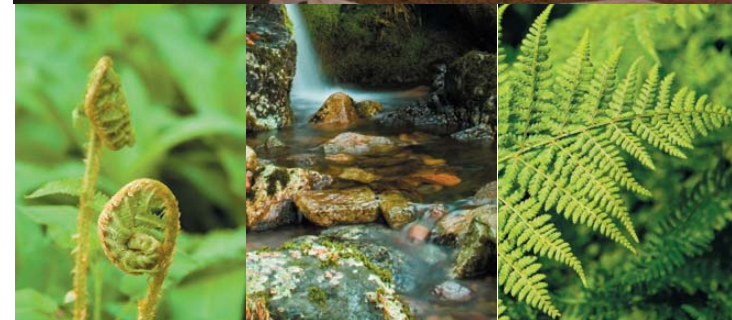
ecoENERGY Retrofit - Homes  
[www.citygreen.ca/energy](http://www.citygreen.ca/energy)

LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Initiative  
[www.citygreen.ca/energy](http://www.citygreen.ca/energy)

City Green Solutions  
[www.citygreen.ca/community/sustainability](http://www.citygreen.ca/community/sustainability)



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## Saanich Community Energy Management Program

For business owners, energy efficiency upgrades to commercial or home office and retail spaces can reduce energy costs, increase property values, and streamline building maintenance and operations.

For occupants, energy efficient buildings are healthier and more comfortable to be in, with well-lit spaces, fresh, indoor air and stable temperatures.

Plus when you reduce your energy use, the result is fewer greenhouse gas emissions and greater energy security, which is important for the whole community.

### Our Commitment

As of October 1, 2008, the District of Saanich will offer the following support to building owners ready to make energy efficiency upgrades to their buildings:

1. Free 'GreenStart' consultations
2. Connection to building energy assessors and other technical support
3. Access to related grant and rebate programs.



### For Commercial Office and Retail Store Owners

#### 1. Free 'GreenStart' Consultations

Is your unit or building well-lit, air-sealed and properly insulated with mechanical ventilation and a high efficiency heating system? Are your maintenance and operations staff trained to look for cost saving retrofit opportunities? If not, book a visit to find out where to start.



2. Free Lighting Audit
3. Product Rebates

Let BC Hydro count your common space lights and show you how to save! Receive cash back when you change out your lights, ballasts, old exit signs and more. New units use 50% less electricity for the same light output and last longer for reduced maintenance and lower replacement costs.

### For Home-Based Business Owners

#### 1. Free 'GreenStart' Consultations

Want to 'green' your home-based business but not sure how? Contact our Community Energy Manager to find out about the current best building practices, green product sources and grant programs available to improve the sustainability of your operations and protect your business against rising energy costs.

2. Home Energy Efficiency Assessments
3. Federal & Provincial Grants

Book a home energy assessment with a Certified Energy Advisor and find out how to reduce high energy bills, minimize drafts, maintain healthy indoor air quality and receive an average \$2500 or more in grants for windows, doors, heating, ventilation, solar hot water, low flow toilets and more! For single family detached homes, row townhouses and mobile homes only.



For more information on all programs, go to [www.saanich.bc.ca](http://www.saanich.bc.ca), click on the **BUSINESS AND DEVELOPMENT** header and choose **ENERGY EFFICIENCY** from the drop down menu.