

Affinity and SES partner to help non-profit organizations

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By adopting simple energy saving initiatives, Village Green Furniture and Appliances is saving over \$2,400 and 17 tonnes of CO₂ emissions per year following an energy assessment completed by the Saskatchewan Environmental Society (SES) in 2006.

During the assessment, SES identified some major opportunities for energy and cost savings including replacing an aging furnace with a high efficiency one, installing a low-flush toilet, and improving their display lighting.

"The assessment was very useful," explains Derek Johnson, Manager of Village Green Furniture and Appliances. "The recommendations resulted in the store using 53 per cent less gas, 27 per cent less electricity and 37 per cent less water."

The energy assessment was made possible thanks to Affinity Credit Union who provides a grant to SES to conduct energy assessments for non-profit organizations.

"We are thrilled to be able to offer non-profits such as Village Green Furniture and Appliances an opportunity to save money on their utility bills," states Carol Cisecki, Labour Relationship Banking Officer with Affinity. "This allows organizations to invest more money into achieving their mandates."

Village Green Furniture and Appliances is a non-profit located in Riversdale, Saskatoon that sells affordable, good quality used items and donates the funds to the Mennonite Central Committee to support their global work

For more information on how your non-profit can get involved contact, Angie Bugg-SES Energy Conservation Coordinator at angieb@environmentalsociety.ca or call 306.665.1915



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