

Eco Rebates & Incentives

Savvy managers and directors should always be on the lookout for opportunities to 'go green'. New condo constructions are often built to LEED® standards or incorporate eco-advantages such as energy efficient windows, green roofs, solar panels, low voltaic paints and LED lighting. But across the province there are plenty of older stock condos where energy-efficient upgrades and retrofits can be implemented and advantages can be taken from the many eco rebates and incentives that are available.

The Province of Ontario implemented its five-year Climate Change Action Plan aimed at fighting climate change, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and transitioning to a low-carbon economy.

Municipal governments have set their own action plans and targets as well as programs that offer incentives to help residents and businesses contribute to a lower-carbon footprint. The City of Toronto, for example, has several programs for condo corporations to tap into. Do your research. The right green project can mean money in your corporation's account.

Municipal

Roofs

Eco-Roof Incentive Program

<https://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=e08354ae91cda510VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD>

- City of Toronto offers incentives for green roofs for all building types

Toronto Atmospheric Fund has developed the TowerWise program

<http://taf.ca/grants/>

Green Your Roof Eco-Roof Incentive Program

- Grants for green and cool roofs Install a green roof or cool roof and get a grant.
- Green roof projects receive \$100 / m²
- Cool roof projects receive \$2 - 5 / m²

Applications are currently being accepted. Submit your application using the online Application Form before work on the roof starts.

Provincial

Electricity

Saveonenergy.ca

- rebates on retrofits for lighting, lighting controls, HVAC redesign, chiller replacement, variable frequency drives (VFDs), building envelope performance, energy management systems including metering, sensors, building automation systems and more.
- energy audit funding

<http://www.torontohydro.com/sites/electricsystem/electricityconservation/businessconservation/Pages/ForMulti-residentialBuildings.aspx>

Water

<https://www.enercare.ca/commercial/water-conservation>

For Unit owners

Natural Resources Canada

<http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/energy/products/energystar/12519>

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Other Resources

Climate Change Action Plan

<https://www.ontario.ca/page/climate-change-action-plan>

The Mayor's Towering Challenge

<https://www1.toronto.ca/wps/portal/contentonly?vgnextoid=077ccab127a55510VgnVCM10000071d60f89RCRD>