

EDMONTON COMMUNITY LEAGUE

GREEN CHALLENGE 2008

PREAMBLE:

Members of the Strathcona, Riverdale and Aspen Gardens Community Leagues have teamed up to create a challenge to all other community leagues in Edmonton to become more environmentally sustainable.

Each of the three leagues has taken the initiative to green their buildings, reduce their carbon footprints and minimize the overall ecological impact of their operations.

These three leagues are challenging all the other leagues in Edmonton to do the same.

This year's challenge- called *Community League Green Challenge 2008* challenges all Edmonton Community Leagues to do the following.

CRITERIA:

1. Complete an energy audit of your hall
2. Change all old light bulbs and replace them with compact fluorescent bulbs.
3. Replace old appliances with new energy efficient appliances.
4. Place "TURN OUT THE LIGHTS" stickers on all light switches.
5. Sign your hall up with a Green Power provider i.e. Bullfrog Power
6. Re-landscape all skating rinks and put rinks on a separate water meter with EPCOR.
7. Install Programmable Thermostats.
8. Your own innovative "green" idea.
9. Registering with CORE- City of Edmonton Carbon Reduction Strategy

We would also like to provide two educational challenges that leagues could carry out through their newsletters and websites.

1. Pesticide education on the health and environmental risks and alternatives
2. Vehicle Idling- Busting the Myths

The Challenge will be issued publicly during the week of April 14th and presented in full at the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues 2008 AGM on April 19th. The theme of their AGM this year is GREEN. The EFCL has in addition created a GREEN task force to assist leagues in becoming more sustainable.

Community Leagues that meet 5 of the 8 challenges before May 2009 will receive prizes and a chance to win an efficiency upgrade worth \$5000. The first 50 leagues to register receive a grab bag of bargains, including a thermostat to get you started. To register email communications@efcl.org or call 437-2913