

THIS COULD BE YOUR COMMUNITY!

With help from elders and youth, the charter community of Wha Ti created a truly community based energy action plan.

They decided that a small run-of-river hydro plant on the La Matre River could economically replace the diesel power plan in the community, and now they're preparing a business plan for that hydro plant.

Wha Ti discovered that they could lower energy bills by making their houses and community buildings more energy efficient, reducing their water consumption, and using solar energy for heating.

The Wha Ti CEP is creating employment, reducing environmental impacts of energy use, and keeping money in the community.

For a copy of the Wha Ti CEP, contact the Arctic Energy Alliance at 867 920 3333 or info@aea.nt.ca.

To take action on the future of your community's energy use, all it takes is a call to the Arctic Energy Alliance.

We're here to help with

- proposal writing
- project management
- workshop facilitation
- advice
- community energy profiles
- identification and evaluation of energy options



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your community

your energy

your plan

COMMUNITY

E N E R G Y

P L A N N I N G

It all begins with understanding
where and how your
community uses energy.

Together, you will set goals and plan
for energy action in your community.



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HOW WE USE ENERGY

From the time our alarm clocks sound to wake us in the morning, to our hot showers, to driving to work, we are using energy. We take for granted that the lights will turn on at the touch of a switch and we don't think twice to jump in our vehicles to run to the store or take the kids to practice.

Every time we use energy we spend money and resources. The impacts of our energy use can be seen at home, in our communities, across the Northwest Territories, across Canada, and around the world.

A Community Energy Plan (CEP) can help your community reduce public costs, keep more money in your community, improve public health by reducing pollution, and help reduce greenhouse gas emissions that cause climate change.

Some things your community will discuss when creating a CEP

- energy efficiency of community buildings
- water supply and use
- recycling
- appliances
- transportation
- district heating and cooling

A CEP will include energy efficiency and renewable energy options for your community.

Many of us don't realize the financial, environmental, and social costs of energy supply and use. Through Community Energy Planning, your community will begin to make connections between energy prices and energy practices, and come up with solutions!

You may not know the exact measurement of a kilowatt or a gigajoule, but you can measure the role energy plays in your everyday life.

Taking a bath. Driving your car. Brewing coffee.
It all takes energy.

The results of a good CEP can include many potential economic, environmental, and social benefits.

A good CEP will help your community

- reduce public costs
- keep more money in your community
- improve public health by reducing pollution
- help reduce greenhouse gas emissions for all Canadians

All you need to get started is a small group of people and a call to the Arctic Energy Alliance. Together, you will

- review how energy is used in your community
- evaluate potential projects and partnerships
- put projects into an action plan
- complete projects and monitor how they're working
- review how energy is used in your community after the projects