#### About the Hastings Energy Action Team

In 2019, the Hastings Energy Action Team, comprised of City of Hastings staff, volunteer residents, and business representatives completed an Energy Action Plan for our community.

The plan was facilitated by Xcel Energy Partners in Energy, an offering from Xcel Energy that helps local communities to set a vision and goals for their energy use and then build a plan to accomplish them.

Our vision is to help Hastings residents and businesses enhance their quality of life and save energy and money by adopting energy-saving behaviors and increasing their home or facility's energy efficiency.

Our goals are centered around 3 focus areas: residential energy efficiency, business energy efficiency, and electric vehicles.

For more details, visit **hastingsmn.gov/energy**.

# Smart ways to improve profitability

And they're free!

Great ideas for your business from the Hastings Energy Action Team





Hastings and Xcel Energy are pleased to work together to achieve our community energy goals.

# **Introducing free services available to the Hastings Business Community.**

Bring in experts to find efficiency and reduce energy use in your business. These free services can help boost your profitability—and save energy too!

# **FREE ASSESSMENTS**

#### **One-Stop Efficiency Shop**

A full-service approach to identify opportunities to improve lighting and HVAC systems.

Call 612-244-2427 or visit OneStopEfficiencyShop.org

## **Commercial Refrigeration Efficiency**

Refrigeration systems are a significant source of energy use in grocery, liquor, and convenience stores. Free on-site refrigeration assessments can help determine how to reduce energy use and costs.

Call 612-455-7803 or visit xcelenergy.com/MNRefrigeration

#### Minnesota Energy Smart

Identify strategies to reduce energy usage, and receive a summary of energy-saving opportunities, next steps, and a list of available financial incentives.

Call 651-292-3902 or visit mnenergysmart.com

# SPECIAL FINANCING TO MAKE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AFFORDABLE

## Property Assessed Clean Energy (Pace)

PACE is an easy way to finance energy efficiency and renewable energy upgrades for commercial property owners. Project financing is repaid as a separate item on an owners' property tax assessment for a set period. PACE eliminates the burden of upfront costs by providing low-cost, long-term financing.

More information is available at minnPACE.com

#### **Trillion BTU Financing**

Offered through a partnership between the Saint Paul Port Authority, Xcel Energy, and the Center for Energy and Environment, Trillion BTU Financing can cover up to 100% of the financing, even for large projects. Once money-saving opportunities are identified by energy audits and engineering studies, the customer chooses the project and contractor, Xcel Energy provides the rebate, and the Saint Paul Port Authority provides the financing (up to 100% financing).

#### **Commercial Energy Efficiency Loan Program**

Commercial Energy Efficiency Loan Program provides up to \$100,000 in financing to businesses making cost-effective energy efficiency improvements. Customers have used this program for a wide variety of improvements including, but not limited to: Lighting technology upgrades, HVAC controls and upgrades, solar photovoltaic systems, refrigeration equipment replacement and upgrades, and electric vehicle charging stations.

More information is available at **mnlendingcenter.org**.

