## **Our energy conservation strategy saved over \$1 million since 2001!**

Please help continue this effort and combat rising energy costs during these tough economic times. Simple behavior changes, combined with fixed thermostat day, night and weekend set points, saves Washoe County an estimated \$250,000 annually.

## **Energy Conservation Saves \$**

Washoe County employees reduce spending through energy conservation, and by doing so, reduce our carbon footprint. Follow these office conservation tips to help trim the budget and protect the environment:

- ✓ Do not use personal space heaters.
- ✓ In winter, close window coverings at the end of the day to reduce heat loss; during the summer months, close window coverings during the day to reduce heat gain.
- ✓ Turn off your computer, monitor and printer when leaving work.
- ✓ Eliminate unnecessary hot plates, coffee pots, refrigerators and other small appliances in your area and turn off all tools, office machines and portable appliances when not in use.
- ✓ Turn off all office equipment at the end of the day.
- ✓ Turn off all lights when leaving your work area for more than 15 minutes.
- Use natural light whenever possible and turn off lights near windows when daylight is adequate.
- ✓ Turn off lights that are not needed to get the job done.
- Wear appropriate clothing to adapt to lower or higher indoor temperatures.



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