# BUILD YOUR BUSINESS BY DESIGNING NEW BUILDINGS THAT MAXIMISE ENERGY EFFICIENCY



If you're designing a new building, or undertaking a major refurbishment of an existing one, an EECA Business Design Advice grant could fund up to 100% of the cost of energy efficiency advice. If your building is in Christchurch, additional assistance is available.

## **Design advice grants**

Can be used at any stage of development including:

- Initial concept design
- Fit out design and construction
- Commissioning a new building
- Assessing energy performance after construction.

### What's the benefit?

Energy efficient commercial buildings command a premium in today's real-estate market as they provide on-going cost savings and a better working environment.



EECA BUSINESS IS OFFERING DESIGN ADVICE GRANTS WHICH FUND ADVICE FROM PROGRAMME PARTNERS – EXPERTS IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY





For landlords, energy efficient buildings increase occupancy rates because they cost less to run, maintain higher capital values and require less maintenance. For tenants, benefits include lower power bills, and more engaged staff.

### How do they work?

The grants fund advice from EECA Business Programme Partners at each stage of building design and construction right through to energy auditing for new buildings in their first year of use.

EECA Business Programme Partners will:

- Review plans and identify appropriate energy efficient options
- Report findings to you and put in place an action plan
- Work with you and your project team to incorporate recommendations.

# Which buildings qualify?

All buildings used for commercial purposes, including hospitals, offices, food-stores, retail outlets and hotels, could qualify for funding. Buildings must be at least 1000m² in size (buildings in Christchurch must be at least 500m² in size.)

### What are the criteria?

Projects must deliver a minimum level of cost-effective energy savings. Funding varies depending on building size and stage of development. Research shows globally tenants are increasingly willing to pay a premium for energy efficiency

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From efficient lighting, to motorised systems and getting staff on-board you might be surprised at how many ways you can save energy and reduce costs.

EECA Business offers information, resources, advice and funding to help you make the most of the energy you use.

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