



## Victorian Energy Upgrades

## Reducing energy costs for councils & businesses

The Yarra Centre

"Productivity is often a spin-off of energy efficiency. So councils and businesses could benefit from this program."

> Andrew Cooper, Ecologically Sustainable Development Officer

Victorian Energy Upgrades is helping councils and businesses to save on energy bills and take action on climate change.

## Energy upgrades for The Yarra Centre, Yarra Junction

The Yarra Ranges Council is actively working towards a 30% reduction in emissions by 2020.

Working with a local accredited provider, the council installed efficient air-conditioning and upgraded the building management system to help conserve energy.

The council also upgraded old boiler systems, used to heat the centre's public pool, to brand new energy efficient systems. Through the Victorian Energy Upgrades Measurement & Verification (M&V) program, the Yarra Centre has been able to improve conditions within the pool area and anticipates energy savings of up to 30% thanks to the new boilers.

With the M&V method the council measured their energy use before and after the project was implemented to understand how these upgrades influenced their energy use.

In addition to saving on their annual energy bills the centre expects to save 2,620 tonnes of greenhouse gas emissions over the life of the project, and the Victorian Energy Efficiency Certificates are estimated to provide \$50,000 back to the centre for the project.

## How the program works

Victorian Energy Upgrades is a Victorian Government program providing discounts on energy-efficient products and appliances for homes and businesses.

To view the energy-saving upgrades that are available and to find an accredited provider in your area, head to www.victorianenergysaver.vic.gov.au or call (03) 9032 1310.