# LIVING SUSTAINABLY AS A HOMEOWNER

There are many simple things you can do to go green and live sustainably. If you are a homeowner or a tenant, you can make your home green by:

### REDUCING YOUR ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND BILLS

Replace your lightbulbs with LED's or CFL's.

Conduct an energy assessment through EnergyFit Nevada, the state's Home Performance with ENERGY STAR to identify ways to save energy and improve the comfort of your home.

Participate in NV Energy's and Southwest Gas residential energy efficiency programs or install a solar system:

NV Energy: Residential energy efficiency programs and solar programs.

Southwest Gas: Residential energy efficiency programs including energy efficiency rebates and promotions and the solar hot water program.

### RECYCLING

Set up service with Republic Services of Southern Nevada and recycle paper, plastic, cardboard, and glass.

### CONSERVING WATER AND LOWERING YOUR BILLS

Follow SNWA's indoor tips and install water efficient low-flow fixtures.

Plant drought tolerant trees, plants, and water efficient landscaping.

Get a pool cover, which can save 10,000-15,000 gallons of water per year.

### USING ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

The Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada can help you get between home, work, and destinations around you:

Take RTC Transit

Bike or Walk information

Join the free RTC's Club Ride, and win monthly rewards for Carpooling, using transit, biking, walking, and telecommuting

### LIVING GREENER

Purchase environmentally friendly goods and products, such as ENERGY STAR certified products and appliances, and avoid indoor household pollution from smoking, household chemicals, and materials, glues, paints, and coatings that contain volatile organic compounds.















### LIVING SUSTAINABLY AS A BUSINESS OWNER

If you are a business owner, commercial, industrial, or non-profit building owner or tenant, or a property manager, you can make your building and your business green by:

## REDUCING YOUR ENERGY CONSUMPTION AND BILLS

Conducting an energy assessment (also known as an energy audit) or benchmarking your building through ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager to identify ways to save energy and improve your building or business operations.

Participate in NV Energy's and Southwest Gas commercial energy efficiency programs, including:

NV Energy: Commercial energy efficiency programs and solar programs.

Southwest Gas: <u>Commercial energy efficiency programs</u> including energy efficiency rebates and promotions and solar hot water programs.

#### RECYCLING

Set up commercial recycling service with Republic Services of Southern Nevada and recycle office paper, plastic, cardboard, and glass.

### **CONSERVING WATER AND LOWERING YOUR BILLS**

Follow Southern Nevada Water Authority tips by Making a turf conversion.

Participating in other Incentive and Rebate programs to save water.

Participating in the Water Efficient Technologies program.

### **OFFERING COMMUTING CHOICES**

Consider alternative transportation for your employees, customers and associates through the Regional Transportation Commission of Southern Nevada:

Take RTC Transit

Join the free RTC's Club Ride, and win monthly rewards for Carpooling, using transit, biking, walking, and telecommuting

Bike or Walk information

### **DOING BUSINESS GREENER**

Purchase environmentally friendly goods and products, such as ENERGY STAR certified products and appliances, water efficient fixtures through EPA's WaterSense program, and avoid indoor pollution from smoking, chemicals and cleaning supplies, and materials, glues, paints and coatings that contain volatile organic compounds.

### **GETTING TRUSTED ADVICE AND RESOURCES**

The <u>University of Nevada Business Environmental Program</u> provides free and confidential environmental assistance to businesses in Nevada. BEP specializes in cost effective strategies to reduce hazardous materials and waste generation, conserve water and energy, minimize air emissions and maintain compliance with environmental requirements.