

# To these special California Leaders who rise above the rest ... thank you.



As a state, we saved an estimated 4 billion kilowatt-hours (kWh) this year, the equivalent of \$440,000,000\* — enough to power more than 650,000 homes in your community. Below are just a few examples of innovative and successful energy efficiency measures taken by Californian businesses,

governments and schools. These stories prove that investments in energy efficiency not only save energy, but also lower operating costs, increase property value of homes and businesses, and help create local jobs — all the while helping the environment.

**LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S (LAUSD)** lighting project saves \$652,000 annually. The District will save roughly 5 million kWh—a 6% drop relative to 2004 — by installing 10,000 new lights —T5 fluorescent lights and light-emitting diode (LED) exit signs — in schools and other facilities each year. LAUSD saves roughly 219,000 therms annually by removing redundant heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and upgrading equipment. All new LAUSD schools will be designed to meet Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold standards.

**ANDERSON TRAVEL** cut electricity use by 15% at its 4,500-sq.-ft. office in Escondido. T12 fluorescent lights were replaced with T8s, which use 35% less energy and produce less ambient heat — saving 8,400 kWh of electricity and \$1,400. The company also saves by cleaning air conditioning vents and filters, relying on natural ventilation instead of air conditioning whenever possible, and shutting down computers and lights after hours.

**VALLARTA SUPERMARKETS** saved \$96,000 in utility costs in 2004. The supermarket installed a variety of energy-saving measures in three of their Southern California stores including anti-sweat heat controllers, CoolerMiser controls for beverage coolers, strip curtains and compact fluorescent lights in walk-in and high-efficiency reach-in cases with electronic controls. Vallarta Supermarkets' new store in Victorville will use natural lights.

**GOURMET TAMALES FACTORY** energy plan saves as much as 20% on natural gas use at its two factories. The original 3,000-sq.-ft. facility in San Fernando saves \$2,500 annually, thanks to energy-efficient equipment and practices such as lowering thermostat settings and turning-off pilot lights. Gas savings at a new 6,000-sq.-ft. facility in Van Nuys are estimated at 20%.

**ALLEN'S CLEANERS** saves \$467 annually with new lighting. The Burbank store replaced 16 existing magnetic ballasts and T12 lamps with energy-efficient electronic ballasts and T8 lamps. In total, Allen's Cleaners will save 3,463 kWh annually.

**To learn more about these and other leaders, visit [www.FYPower.org](http://www.FYPower.org) where you will also find energy-saving tips, incentive information, energy-efficient product information and more to help you save energy, save money, and help protect the environment.**

\*Savings estimates based on average energy use at \$0.11 cents a kWh. Actual savings will vary based on utility and rate schedule.