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# Energy Efficiency Loans for Maine's Nonprofits



The Genesis Fund seeks to help Maine's nonprofit organizations battle the rising cost of energy. Many properties owned by nonprofits were built or remodeled at a time when energy efficiency was not the high priority it is today.

By assisting nonprofits in obtaining energy audits that provide detailed renovation recommendations, cost-savings projections and capital to finance the renovations, the Genesis Fund will help nonprofit organizations...

- increase energy efficiency
- save money on annual operating costs
- improve their facilities
- reduce their carbon footprint

## About the Genesis Community Loan Fund

The Genesis Fund has provided innovative financing and expert assistance to Maine's nonprofit organizations since 1992. We solicit low-interest loans from individuals, churches, banks and foundations and then re-lend the money to nonprofits developing housing and community facilities in underserved communities.

Since 1992 the Genesis Fund has made 135 loans totaling more than \$12.5 million. In addition we have helped leverage more than \$75 million for the groups we serve.

***"This green loan program will be very helpful to many affordable and supportive housing agencies that own group homes and multi-family housing built in the 1970s and 1980s. Rising energy costs can throw off an organization's budget that is already tight. By working with Jon Riley at Horizon, we'll be able to help by identifying the cost-saving efficiencies and providing the low-cost funding to achieve them."***

Genesis Fund Executive Director Bill Floyd

### ***Conducted by our partner, Horizon Energy of South Portland, the Energy Audit includes***

A top to bottom energy inspection using the latest, "House as a System" evaluation. The inspection conforms with Home Energy Rating System (HERS), the industry standard.

- Attic
- Knee Walls
- Above Grade Walls
- Windows/Doors
- Basement/Crawlspace Areas
- Heating/Cooling/Domestic Hot Water Systems

A Blower Door Test to determine the air infiltration rate of the facility.

A detailed written report providing an easy-to-understand list of the most cost effective energy improvement measures for your organization's property, the specifications to implement those measures and a model that details the payback period once the efficiencies are achieved.

A follow-up visit after renovations have been completed to confirm the energy efficiency of the work.



For more information,  
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