



WWF'S EARTH HOUR LIST

BACKGROUND **Monday, March 21, 2011**

#6 (tie) - Edmonton, Alberta

Score: 5.5/10

Edmonton ties with Hamilton for the sixth spot on The Earth Hour List. WWF congratulates Edmonton on its leadership on climate change and looks forward to many improvements the city can continue to make.

Highlights of Edmonton's activities

- Edmonton has set a target for community greenhouse gas emission reductions of 6% below 1990 levels by 2010 and 20% below 1990 levels by 2020.
- The Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program (RRAP) provides rebates for high-efficiency furnaces as part of its program, which assists low income homeowners with home renovations.
- In 2010, the City launched the Edmonton Solar-Electric Pilot Program. This pilot program offered rebates for home and business owners interested in installing solar electricity generation capacity for their home or business. To date, the program has resulted in 22 residential installations. Seven commercial solar panel installations are also planned, which are expected to reduce total greenhouse gas emission by 79.1 tonnes and save all participants a combined \$10,413 on their annual electricity bills.
- In 2011, the city has planned a renewable energy purchase that equates to 15% of city operations' electricity consumption.
- The Renewable Energy Task Force was created by Edmonton City Council to develop and deliver a report to the City of Edmonton that examines the opportunities, barriers and potential technical, economic, and policy solutions to the generation and use of renewable energy in Edmonton.

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