

# Towards a Greener Business

## Sample Sustainable Actions for Your Business

Store type examples and related actions	Environmental benefits	Social benefits	Financial benefits
<b>Local Veg and Fruit Store</b>			
Set-up a organic and cardboard collection for your store or with partnership with neighbouring stores	Less waste to landfill	Display of sustainable conscience to the general public	Reduction in waste collection fees
Plastic-free store - Reuse cardboard boxes to transport customers' purchased goods	Less waste to landfill at consumer's end	Display of sustainable conscience to the general public	Savings in monies allocated to the purchase of plastic bags
Reduce energy consumption by installing energy efficient lighting, check fridge temperature with thermostat, ensure unnecessary lighting is turned off and purchase accredited green power	Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions	Display of sustainable conscience to the general public	Payback of actions delivered through energy savings
<b>Beauty Salon</b>			
Install water and energy efficient products such as washing machine, lighting, sinks and devices.	Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and increased water conservation	Display of sustainable conscience to the general public	Savings on utility bills and payback period on retrofit
Develop an electronic customer database and appointments book	Reduction in paper waste generation	Saving time and resources and spending more quality time with customers	Saving time and resources as well as monies spent on stationary resulting in increased efficiencies and productivity.
<b>Automotive Repairs</b>			
Waste wise disposal of chemicals, oils, and untreated contaminated waste water	Conservation of local waste streams and soil contamination	Display of sustainable conscience to the general public	
Adjusting heating and cooling and activating standby mode on all electrical equipment	Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and increased water conservation	Create a comfortable working environment	Payback of actions delivered through energy savings, time and resources.

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