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NEW ROOF IMPROVEMENTS HAVE HABITAT FOR HUMANITY'S MISSION COVERED



PROJECT-AT-A-GLANCE

Equipment installed

- 17,500 square feet of roof insulation

Financial analysis

- \$9,100 estimated annual utility bill savings
- \$17,500 standard cash incentives
- \$17,500 bonus cash incentives
- \$67,200 project costs

Estimated annual energy savings

- 9,000 therms

Benefits

- Reduced energy use and costs
- Increased comfort, especially during weather extremes
- Improved roof performance in inclement weather

Habitat for Humanity is a global nonprofit that works with local volunteers across all 50 states and in 70 countries to build a world in which everyone has a place to call home. Their independently operated ReStores raise money for Habitat for Humanity projects by selling donated household items, furniture and building materials at a fraction of the retail cost. Decreasing waste is a big part of Habitat for Humanity's mission and ReStores aim to be as environmentally friendly as possible.

Management of the Vancouver area ReStore collaborated with their building owner, HSP Properties, to improve the energy efficiency of their building. With the help of NW Natural and Energy Trust of Oregon, HSP Properties received cash incentives for energy-efficient upgrades.

In total, they received \$35,000 in incentives to install 17,500 square feet of high-efficiency insulation and make roof updates. The incentives covered over half of the entire cost of the project, and the project is estimated to save the ReStore another \$9,100 in annual energy costs.

Julie Carter is vice president of retail operations overseeing four ReStore locations in the Portland/Vancouver area. This includes managing the truck fleet, solving any facility maintenance issues that arise, and keeping the stores running smoothly. So, she knows how utility bills affect store operating expenses.

"Utility bills are some of the bigger expenses we incur," Carter said. "Every little bit of savings is crucial to us."

She says that updates to the Vancouver location have also helped keep the store open during the recent record heat.



We actually closed a couple of our stores in the heat because we don't have central air conditioning in most of our stores. Without air leaks, we're able to keep the store cooler, for longer by capturing the cool air we bring in at night. It's definitely a big help.

Julie Carter, VP of Retail Operations, Habitat for Humanity



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