

York County Community Foundation

at The William T. Wolf Center for Philanthropy

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Workshop Teaches Ways to Brighten Your Future through Energy Efficiency

Event: **FREE** educational workshop - *Cut Energy Costs, Brighten the Future* - designed specifically for nonprofits, municipalities, schools, architects, designers, and contractors.

When: Thursday, May 27, 2010
8 – 11:30 a.m.

Where: York County Community Foundation
14 W. Market St., York

Registration is required, although the event is free. Please email Sandy Aulbach at saulbach@yccf.org or call 717.848.3733 to register.

Sponsored by York County Community Foundation and conducted by Marcus B. Sheffer, a national expert on energy management and sustainable development, the workshop will teach participants how to assess a building's energy usage and develop energy saving strategies. The workshop will provide specific information on:

- Energy billing analysis
- Energy audits and assessments
- Energy saving strategies
- Green Buildings
- How to get free technical assistance on energy savings projects
- A tour of the Community Foundation's LEED-certified office space

Participants will also be the first to hear about York County Community Foundation's redesigned Energy Program to help nonprofits implement easy and affordable energy conservation measures. Assistance is available to nonprofits, municipalities, and schools for building retrofits, major renovations, and new construction. Future workshops will focus on finding the money to implement energy efficient technologies. More information about the energy program is available at www.yccf.org.

Marcus B. Sheffer is an energy/environmental consultant with more than 25 years of experience. His company, Energy Opportunities, Inc. provides technical consulting services on projects
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relating to energy management, efficiency and conservation; renewable energy systems, and the environmental impacts of human enterprises. Mr. Sheffer is also a partner in 7group, a multi-disciplinary team of professionals focused on sustainable development. He serves the US Green Building Council as Chair of the Energy & Atmosphere Technical Advisory Group. Professional memberships include ASES, ASHRAE, IESNA, and the USGBC.

York County Community Foundation has taken the lead toward helping nonprofits save on their energy costs so that their funding can be better used to provide much needed services. Since its inception, our Energy Program has saved nearly \$8 million in energy costs for area nonprofits.

Founded in 1961, York County Community Foundation is a philanthropic organization committed to enhancing and preserving the quality of life in York County. By understanding the needs of our communities and working with donors to make high impact grants, we provide the leadership to strengthen our community now and for generations to come. York County Community Foundation granted \$2.4 million in 2009.