

OFFICE

SUSTAINABLE DESIGN & PRACTICE BENEFITS

Bottom Line

Energy and cost savings attributed to efficiency measures are well documented. However, sustainable design and practice could have an impact on your bottom line far beyond reduced utility bills.

What if you could improve employee well-being, increase rent rates, bolster your company's public image, and improve employee productivity?



ACCORDING TO RECENT STUDIES:



Savings Case Studies

Adobe Systems, Inc. announced in 2006 that it had received **three LEED Platinum awards** for its headquarters towers. The company reaped **great publicity** and showed that it had garnered a net present **value return of almost 20 to one** on its initial investment.

CSHQA transformed an old, distressed warehouse in a redeveloping district of Boise into a **modern sustainable facility** for their office. They integrated their values and culture by creating **a model for how to live and work while providing a great employee environment, sustainably and cost effectively.**



Other Benefits

- Increasing communication
- Creating positive psychological and social experiences
- Stimulating the economy through the creation of jobs

(The recycling industry employs over 1 million people and generates \$200 Billion in annual revenues)

Where to Start

- Lighting upgrade
- Install occupancy sensors
- Turn things off when not in use (PC power management)
- Recycle office paper
- Replace old equipment with more energy efficient devices

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Health Care Savings

Building retrofits which improved the indoor environment of a building resulted in **reductions** of:

Non-specific Health and Discomfort Effects **20-50%**

Communicable Respiratory Diseases **9-20%**

Allergies and Asthma **18-25%**

Fewer Sick Days

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