

# Southeastern New York Library Resources Council



*“The communication between SENYLRC, NYSERDA and Rondout Savings Bank was great, there were no delays in processing the loan and it was great knowing that the three parties were involved in making the buy-down a reality.”*

*“Also, because SENYLRC is primarily a NYS funded non-profit library organization, with minimal state aid increases in the last 10 years, any help in saving money for the organization is truly appreciated... and being able to save interest dollars through the subsidized loan, in addition to the energy cost savings, was something that the board of trustees were extremely grateful for.”*

**– Mr. John Shaloiko**  
Executive Director,  
Southeastern New York  
Library Resources Council

## Southeastern New York Library Resources Council Highland, NY, Ulster County

### Background

The Southeastern New York Library Resources Council (SENYLRC) is a regional, not-for-profit, library cooperative encompassing eight New York counties: Columbia, Greene, Ulster, Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Putnam, and Rockland. SENYLRC’s mission is to provide a leadership role in assisting and facilitating the cooperation and collaboration between member libraries and library systems within the eight counties. In 2005 the organization decided to upgrade its facilities and invest in new cost saving energy efficiency measures. The **New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup>** Loan Fund Program, administered by the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority (NYSERDA), was used to help finance the project.

### Results

SENYLRC applied for a **New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup>** loan through Rondout Savings Bank, a participating lender in the program. With the 4% interest rate subsidy provided, SENYLRC will be able to realize over \$2,300 in interest cost savings over the life of the five year loan.

With the loan a high-efficiency central air conditioning system was installed in the 7,000 square foot facility, as well as ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> windows, fluorescent lighting fixtures, LED exit signs, smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and a new energy-efficient propane furnace. As a result of these building improvements, SENYLRC will realize an additional savings of over \$450 per year in energy costs.

### New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup>:

All **New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup>** programs are funded by a System Benefits Charge (SBC) paid by electric distribution customers of Central Hudson, Con Edison, NYSEG, National Grid, Orange and Rockland, and Rochester Gas and Electric. NYSERDA, a public benefits corporation established by law in 1975, administers SBC funds and programs under an agreement with the Public Service Commission.

**New York Energy Smart<sup>SM</sup>** programs are designed to lower electricity costs by encouraging energy efficiency as the State’s electric utilities move to competition. The programs are available to electric distribution customers (residential, commercial, institutional, and industrial) who pay into the SBC.



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