



MEMO

To: The Admiral at the Lake Community
From: Brit Vipham, *Dir. of Project Management & The Facilities Team*
Date: Friday, August 25, 2023
Re: Energy Savings Projects – LED Lighting & NEST Thermostats

It is with great excitement that we share with you today, a series of energy savings projects that are currently underway at the community. But first, many thanks to Resident Marcel Frenkel and the entire Facilities Management Liaison Committee (FMLC) for their tireless efforts urging action on this important initiative.

With the guidance of our partners at ComEd, the community enrolled in a **Multi-Family Energy Savings Lighting Incentive Program**, resulting in over 500 new LED light fixtures, over a \$35,000 value, **FREE** of charge with installation included. Some installations are already completed on the 6th floor of the Towers and on August 29th you will see a crew from Lightitech onsite for approximately two weeks as they upgrade lighting throughout the common area corridors, offices, mechanical/electrical closets, stairwells and parking garage.

Our facilities team also took the initiative to explore cost efficient LED options for fixtures that were not included in the free program and you will see those rolled out as well through the end of the year, thank you Martin for spearheading that project! These LED lights will improve lighting levels throughout the community, reduce energy bills, and reduce our impact on the environment for future generations to come.

A second energy savings project rolling out this fall, also through ComEd, is our NEST smart thermostat program. Every resident unit in the Towers will have their current thermostat boxes swapped with a NEST thermostat, again, **FREE** of charge. These smart thermostats allow you to create energy-efficient schedules and allow control of heating/cooling from anywhere, creating energy savings opportunities. Staff and resident led training workshops, user manuals, and installation schedule will follow in September/October.

Thank you for your attention in this regard.