**Energy Conservation Funding**

**State Revolving Fund- Green project set-aside for drinking water and sewer projects**

<http://www.tn.gov/environment/srf/>

SRF is required by EPA to use 20% of the money for “Green” projects. There is plenty of money available at this time and for 2012 interest rates are further reduced by 0.25%.

**Qualified Energy Conservation Bonds**

Federally subsidized low interest loans for projects that include a least a 20% energy use reduction.

Notice will be forthcoming from TN Dept. of Economic and Community Development.

**TVA Utility Rebates**

<http://www.energyright.com/business/>

This is the “energy right” for business webpage, but local government fits into these commercial-accounts section. Under the *Incentive Payments* link go to *Standard Rebates and Custom Incentives* link.

<http://www.energyright.com/business/how_to.html>

**TDEC- Clean Tennessee Energy Grant Program**

<http://www.tn.gov/environment/energygrants/>

These Grants have been awarded this year but there will be more next year.

**Energy-Efficient Commercial Building Tax Deduction**

<http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/USCODE-2010-title26/html/USCODE-2010-title26-subtitleA-chap1-subchapB-partVI-sec179D.htm>

As I understand this would provide tax deductions for a contractor constructing a building for local government, so the benefits to that government would be worked out through the contract.

**Energy Performance Contracts**

A contract through an ESCO (Energy Service Company) who would evaluate, recommend and implement the energy savings steps with savings guaranteed and payments over time. See an ESCO trade organization web site.

<http://www.naesco.org/accreditation/companies.aspx>