

## **HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS**

Improve the energy efficiency of your home using a thermal imaging camera and a free draft-proofing starter kit.

- 1. The FLIR camera may be borrowed by any Thompson-Nicola Regional Library (TNRL) patron in good standing.
- 2. At home, follow the instructions in the guide provided and complete some minor retrofits using the draft-proofing starter kit that is provided at checkout (while quantities last).
- Return the following borrowed items to your TNRL branch so that the next patron may enjoy it.
  - FLIR camera
  - case
  - charging cable
  - adaptor (supplied for Android phone users)
- 4. If you received a draft-proofing starter kit, it is yours to keep and use!

#### **Additional Details:**

- Due to high demand, FLIR cameras are loaned for a maximum of seven days.
- There is a late fine of \$1 per day.
- The replacement cost for lost or damaged cameras is \$325.



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For more information about the See the Heat Thermal Imaging Camera Program, contact the City's Sustainability Services Section or visit our website.

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# **See The Heat**

Thermal Imaging Camera Kit





## **GETTING STARTED**

When using a thermal imaging camera to find energy losses, the difference in temperature between the inside of the building and the outside should ideally be at least 10 °C.

- 1. Open the kit and plug in the camera to ensure that it's charged.
- 2. Download the free **FLIR ONE app** from your app store.
- 3. Connect the fully charged camera to your smart phone. **Note:** Android phone users may need to use the adaptor provided.
- 4. Open the FLIR ONE app and follow the directions for using the camera.
- 5. Familiarize yourself with the camera's functionality and then begin the Simple Energy Evaluation instructions to evaluate the drafts in your house.

For technical support, visit **Flir.CustHelp.com**.



## FAMILIARIZE YOURSELF WITH THE CAMERA

### **Complete the exercises listed below:**

Like to sleep with a window open? Or do you leave a bathroom window open a crack? Compare inside and outside photos of that window with others that you keep shut.

Do you sometimes leave the dryer door open? Take a picture of the dryer exhaust from outside while the dryer is off.

- Do you have a fireplace and sometimes forget to close your flue? Take a picture of the inside and outside of your chimney.
- Do you leave power bars on with unused electronics plugged in? Take a picture and see the phantom load turn to heat.
- Do you leave the door open while you bring in the groceries? Or while you take your shoes off? Take a picture of your door frame after leaving the door open for three minutes.
- Do you have a fireplace or other natural gas appliance that you use infrequently but have a pilot light burning? Take a photo of it to see the heat.

## **SIMPLE ENERGY EVALUATION**

To get the most value from your time with the camera, it is best to be methodical. Pick a natural starting point in your house, such as a front or back door, and go from there. If you do this in order, you will be able to prioritize which simple retrofits to do first.

## Take photos from the inside of:

- all windows
- all doors
- all electrical outlets and light switches on outer walls
- all outer walls (look for cold transferring through wall studs)
- chimneys
- inside dryer long after the most recent drying cycle
- any other locations (e.g. kitchen fans, bathroom fans, fresh air or exhaust vents) that perforate the outer wall of your house

## ENERGY RETROFIT DRAFT-PROOFING KIT\*

Inside the draft-proofing kit, you will find a few items to get you started. Get more from your favourite hardware store. Items included in the kit:

- plastic window insulation
- electrical switch and outlet insulator
- door and window weather stripping

To view tutorial videos on how to use these items, visit **Kamloops.ca/SeeTheHeat.** 

\*A draft-proofing starter kit will only be provided while quantities last.

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## Ready to Take Your Energy Upgrades to the Next Level?

Upgrading your home's energy efficiency is a big undertaking. Retrofit Assist offers free and knowledgeable support from start-to-finish of your home energy retrofit. **Learn more at RetrofitAssist.ca** 

