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Each year the average Australian household contributes 14 tonnes of greenhouse gas to the atmosphere — enough to fill 280,000 balloons — and draws an average of 292,000 litres or 73,000 buckets of water.

More Australians are looking for ways to help protect our environment from the impacts of climate change and reap the savings that come from using less energy and water around the home.

Around the house your green ambitions may be as simple as switching to energy efficient light bulbs and repairing leaking taps to bigger projects like installing solar panels, grey water filtration systems or rainwater tanks.



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The Green Loans program is about helping you to make the right choices for your home and your budget.

Three easy steps:

Step 1

Book a home sustainability assessment

At no cost, a qualified home sustainability assessor will visit your home, investigate your energy and water use and establish actions that can help you save energy and water. Only one free assessment will be available per applicant at a given address.

Step 2

Receive your tailored home sustainability assessment report

Shortly after your assessment you will receive a tailored home sustainability assessment – valid for six months – that recommends:

- The best water and energy saving changes you can make to your property;
- Practical information to help you get started.

Step 3

Choose your home sustainability actions and apply for a Green Loan

With your assessment report in hand, you can make water and energy saving changes as simple or as large scale as you like. Your sustainable home assessment report is the first step to qualifying for an interest free green loan of up to \$10,000. Only one Green Loan can be provided per assessment report but the loan can support many individual actions.

Am I eligible?

To be eligible to apply for a home sustainability assessment or a Green Loan you will need to meet certain conditions.

Home Sustainability Assessment conditions	tick	Green Loans conditions	tick
An applicant must be:		A Green Loans applicant must:	
Aged 18 or over	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have a valid home sustainability assessment report	<input type="checkbox"/>
An Australian citizen, permanent resident and/or an Australian registered charity	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have an income below \$250,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
The dwelling owner, a trustee or renter listed on lease	<input type="checkbox"/>	Satisfy the lending criteria of a participating Green Loans program financial provider	<input type="checkbox"/>
The house/property being assessed must:		The Green Loan must be for:	
Be in Australia or its territories	<input type="checkbox"/>	Actions recommended in the home sustainability assessment report as provided by an accredited assessor	<input type="checkbox"/>
Have been completed and occupied for at least 12 months (not necessarily by the applicant)	<input type="checkbox"/>	The house/property listed on the report	<input type="checkbox"/>

Start Saving today...

A home sustainability assessment will give you a long term plan for making your home more sustainable but you can start finding Savings today with these simple steps:

Water Action	Environment Saving*	Energy Action	Environment Saving*
Use half flush toilet	4 buckets per day	Switch appliance off at the wall	7,700 balloons per year
Wait for a full load of washing	17 buckets per load	Switch to energy saving light globes	2,800 balloons per year
Shorter showers	1 bucket per minute	Set fridge temp 1 degree lower	7,500 balloons per year

* estimate average

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