

# The Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas Natural Gas Savings Programs Small Business Program

## CASE STUDY

### CUSTOMER

St. Sabina Campus, Chicago

### PROJECTS

- Steam Pipe Insulation
- Steam Traps

### REBATE AMOUNT

\$17,100

### ENERGY SAVINGS

19,740 therms



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### Customer Background

Since 1916, St. Sabina Church has been a progressive force in Chicago. Under the current leadership of Reverend Michael Pfleger, the parish thrives as the center of religious and social activities in the Auburn Gresham community. St. Sabina received both national and international attention for its spirit-filled worship and impact on social injustice issues. Numerous national and international leaders have come to experience and celebrate the vibrant church. Energy efficiency is a part of St. Sabina's long-term strategy for church upgrades and improvements. St. Sabina is one of many Archdiocese of Chicago properties that have taken advantage of energy-saving incentives offered by Peoples Gas.

### Project Description

As a large energy user, St. Sabina's campus presents tremendous natural gas saving opportunities. After receiving project information from a contractor, the Peoples Gas Natural Gas Savings Program team scheduled a free assessment and began exploring opportunities for customized energy efficiency solutions. The team visited the church, school and gymnasium at St. Sabina to find savings opportunities.

The assessment recommended repairing failed steam traps and installing steam condensate and steam supply pipe insulation. The Peoples Gas team also installed free energy-saving products through its Small Business Energy Jumpstart program.

Beverly Morris, St. Sabina's business manager, and Herman Warr, director of buildings, said it was easy working with the Peoples Gas team. “We're always looking for ways to save energy and money,” said Morris. “Having a dedicated and trusted team to present savings opportunities and walk us through the process was extremely beneficial.”

“Becoming more energy efficient is an opportunity to stretch your dollars,” Warr added. “You're going to spend the money either way, so why not invest it in a long term strategy to save energy and increase your bottom line.”

### Project Team

- Herman Warr, Director of Buildings, St. Sabina Church
- Beverly Morris, Business Manager/New Membership Director, St. Sabina Church
- Kevin Kopterski, Team Lead, Peoples Gas Natural Gas Savings Program

### Impact

The assessment and collaborative approach of the Peoples Gas Natural Gas Savings Program team gave St. Sabina the trust and confidence to move forward with the steam trap and pipe insulation projects.

“The success of these initial projects has led us to consider other energy-saving opportunities presented by the Peoples Gas team,” Morris said. “They explain the immediate and long-term benefits of making improvements, so you understand it's worth the time and money invested.”

**The Peoples Gas and North Shore Gas Natural Gas Savings Programs team is available to help you capture similar savings at your business. Call 855-849-8928 today to schedule a facility assessment with one of our energy experts.**

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