



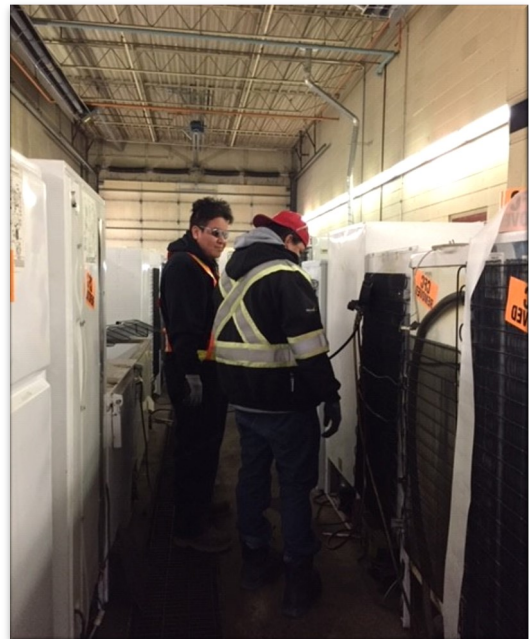
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# SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES Refrigerant Recovery Training

In June 2018, TSAG hosted a Refrigerant Recovery Training course at Sturgeon Lake First Nation. Eight transfer station operators participated in the course and received their Ozone Depletion Substances Certificate. The removal of refrigerant chemicals, like Freon, is a complicated job that presents a risk to the environment and is best learned through hands-on practise. Unfortunately, due to a number of factors, participants were not able to gain hands-on experience at the time of the course. Through conversations with the City of Edmonton's Eco Stations, a two day course curriculum and mentorship program, with hands-on experience, has been developed.



“There is no substitute for hands-on training. This is a task that only gets easier the more you do it. If I can teach someone how to do something, then I know I have mastered the skill myself.”  
*City of Edmonton employee*



Seven course participants have been apart of the mentorship program so far. Participants spent a day working with Edmonton Eco Station staff practising how to remove refrigerant chemicals. They also now have someone to call should questions arise when they are working at their own sites.

Once the operators are comfortable with the removal process TSAG will work with the community to find funding for a complete recovery system.

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