



# The Energy Connector

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It is with great pleasure that we are able to announce that The Energy Credit Union has acquired the assets of Southlake Regional Health Centre Employees' Credit Union. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012, the members of Southlake overwhelmingly voted in favour of the merger at a special members meeting. Effective June 1<sup>st</sup> 2012 we will be open to serve you at our new branch located at 596 Davis Drive on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor of the Medical Arts Building in Newmarket. Our new Southlake branch is a cashless location, however, deposits and withdrawals can still be made at both Energy Credit Union ATMs, as well as over 2,300 surcharge-free ATMS across Canada displaying THE EXCHANGE® Network logo. Please click on the ATM location link on our website for ATMs located in your area.

We are very excited by the opportunities that the merger with Southlake will bring. This is a huge win for both our members and employees, and will provide exciting new and expanded financial choices for our new members at Southlake while maintaining our Credit Union's personal commitment to Trust, Loyalty and Compassion. This is also our second successful merger opportunity and we are very excited about our combined future. Together, we are uniquely positioned to provide you with even greater financial stability and the ability to explore opportunities with additional value in new areas. The depth of our resources and the breadth of our reach are now stronger and we take great pride in our reputation as a company who proactively seeks to make a positive difference in the lives of our members and our communities. Southlake Regional Health Centre Employees' Credit Union serves the employees of Southlake Regional Health Centre in Newmarket, the centre has been proudly serving its community by offering a variety of medical services for over 85 years. We are committed to a sound future for our Credit Union.

**Joseph Bonello**  
Board President

**Diane Kocet**  
Chief Executive Officer

## Drive Smarter for a better Planet!

**Don't idle:** Unnecessary idling wastes fuel and harms your vehicle. If you're stopping for longer than 10 seconds (except in traffic of course!), turn off the engine. More than 10 seconds of idling uses more fuel than restarting. Turning the key is all it takes to save money and prevent unnecessary greenhouse gases and other pollutants from escaping into the air.

**Travel light & pack smart:** Avoid hauling unnecessary loads. Extra weight increases pollutants and decreases fuel economy. Placing large objects inside — instead of on the roof — maintains an aerodynamic profile which improves mileage.

**Accelerate smoothly:** Jack-rabbit starts consume up to 50 per cent more fuel than steady accelerations. Hard accelerations also wear out your engine and tires faster.

**Minimize air conditioning:** To stay cool on the highway, use your car's flow-through ventilation. When driving in the city, open a window. If you must turn on the AC, set the controls to a comfortable level and shut it off once you're cool enough.

**Warm up your car:** In winter, use a block heater to warm your engine before you start it. Cold engines burn more fuel and emit more exhaust. Block heaters can improve overall winter fuel economy by as much as 10 per cent.

**Plan ahead:** Reduce your driving time by combining errands and avoiding traffic congestion. Give yourself lots of time — hurried driving causes you to brake more often and accelerate more quickly.

Excerpts from: <http://www.davidsuzuki.org/what-you-can-do/reduce-your-carbon-footprint/drive-smarter-for-a-better-planet/>

**Beware the barrenness of a busy life.  
— Socrates**



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## The TECU 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Golf Tournament (in memory of Terry Godfrey)

Please call to register your spot today! Last year's **members only** golf day sold out in record time. To avoid disappointment, do not delay!

**PLACE:** Lakeridge Links Golf Course  
**DATE:** Monday August 20, 2012  
**TIME:** 12:00 P.M. Shotgun Start (Registration 10:00am)  
**FORMAT:** Four Person Scramble  
**COST:** Preferred/ Infinite Members.....**\$45.00**  
 Non-Preferred/Infinite Members.....**\$85.00**  
 (Includes Lunch, Greens Fee, Door Prize entry, Power Cart and  
 ½ Chicken Dinner (Vegetarian Available))  
**Dinner Only.....\$40.00**

To determine your "MEMBER STATUS" or to receive information on qualifying for "Preferred/ Infinite Membership", contact TECU Staff at 416-542-2522

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