



COMFORT YEAR ROUND WITH EHP

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A tunnel of insulation.

When we first purchased Opti-Force 1, we were very happy to see that it had blown in urethane insulation everywhere. Due to reading this magazine, the forums, and Facebook groups, we thought we had the best money could buy.

One of our first trips in Opti-Force 1, was in February and we spent three nights in Boston. It was in the low 20s outside. We thought no problem, we have a strong propane heater giving us 30,000 BTU's of heat in our well insulated bus. Unfortunately, we were wrong, it took all its BTU's to get us to a balmy 40 degrees. The next morning, after warming up, we went to a big box store and bought two electric ceramic heaters. Those gave us an additional 10,000 BTU's and got us "up" to the low 50s in Opti-Force 1.

Other than mechanical work, we did not do anything to the bus cosmetically yet. Nor did we renovate the interior, but I was officially on the hunt for a solution to my quandary.

The next week when we were in south Florida, the temperatures were in the high 80s. We had to run both of our roof-top air conditioners to keep the inside of the bus livable. I was beginning to doubt that our bus was insulated at all.

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