

LOW Cost/NO Cost ways to cut down on your energy usage

- Turn lights off when leaving a room.
- Turn off the TV when leaving the room.
- When cooking, match the size of your pan to your burner.
- Keep your oven door closed when baking. Every time you open the oven door, the temperature can drop 25°.
- Only run the dishwasher when full, but don't overfill.
- Don't over dry clothes; use the moisture sensor if you have one.
- Clean or replace heating filters every month.
- Your electronics, i.e. TVs, phone chargers, and DVD players, use energy even when turned off. To save energy, unplug the gadgets.
- Clean the condenser coils on your refrigerator.
- Set refrigerator temp. at 34°-37°, and freezer at 5°.
- Take a shower instead of a bath.
- Weather strip around doors, windows, and air conditioners.
- Set your water heater's thermostat to "normal" or 120 degrees.
- Check for air leaks in refrigerator door gaskets.
- Replace your incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs and reduce your electricity usage for light by 75 percent.

These tips and more are available at www.brightenergysolutions.com
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