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KEEP ENERGY COSTS DOWN WHILE TRAVELING

If your summer plans include an extended vacation, make sure your home isn't wasting energy while you're away. Here are some tips to reduce your home's energy use if you're planning on being away for three days or more.

COOLING: Turn off – or at least set to a warmer temperature – central air conditioners and heat pumps. If there will be pets staying at home with someone checking in periodically, be sure to consider their safety and make sure the house stays at an appropriate temperature.

WATER HEATING: Turn off electric water heaters at the breaker box and set natural gas or propane water heaters to the "pilot" or "vacation" setting. Then leave yourself a reminder to turn the water heater back on when you return home.

ELECTRONICS: Even while not in use, electronics still use small amounts of electricity when plugged in. Before you take off, unplug electronics such as TVs, DVD players, computers, cable boxes, chargers and printers.

LIGHTING: Set a couple lights on timers. This is good for home security and if you use LED bulbs it will add less than a penny to your energy bill for every 10 hours each light is on.

LIGHT LINES



Call an Energy Counselor!

If you notice that your energy bill is higher than normal and want to make sure your home is not wasting energy, our energy counselors can help.

Our team of trained energy counselors will give you an objective opinion about which energy-saving measures can, and those that probably won't, save you money. Summer is a great time to begin upgrading inefficient systems and weatherizing your home for winter. Call 360-992-3355 to speak to an energy counselor Monday through Friday during business hours.



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If you're one of the thousands of Facebook users in Clark County, check out our page for updates about utility news, incentive programs, ways to outsmart energy waste and lower your bill each season, and a variety of community events and services from tree plantings to the annual Race for Warmth. Join in the conversation! Do you have questions about what we're up to? Ask! Discovered a great way to reduce wasted energy or use water wisely this summer? Please share! Keep up on the latest from your local utility at: facebook.com/ClarkPublicUtilities. You can also find us on Instagram, Twitter and Nextdoor, a social media platform similar to Facebook but specific to neighborhoods.

Please note that social sites are not an effective way to report power outages or request service. Visit our website to report outages or use MyAccount to manage your account. Questions? We are available 24 hours a day, every day of the year at 360-992-3000.



Help Those in Need No Matter the Season



Clark Public Utilities helps local families in financial crisis with energy bills year round, and so can you. Operation Warm Heart is our donor-funded program that helps customers who may not be eligible for other types of energy assistance. Donating is simple; all you have to do is fill out our online form or add an extra amount when paying your monthly utility bill.

Another way to help is to buy a gift certificate for a friend or neighbor in need, or you can simply make a gift payment in any amount directly to an individual's utility account, anonymously— if you choose.

If you're interested in helping, just call one of our customer service representatives to talk about options.

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OPERATION
WARM HEART
Heat a Home, Warm a Heart!



**Free
Water
at the
Fair!**



Join in the fun this summer and come see us at the Clark County Fair, held August 2 through 11. We will be serving up free ice water at our booth in the exhibition hall. If you need a quick cool down, or would like information about utility programs and services, stop by, have a sip and say hello!