



## ENERGY-SAVING TIPS THAT SAVE YOU MONEY, TOO!





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Energy-saving strategies differ depending on the type of home or apartment you live in, but with a little practice, you can find yourself saving hundreds and reducing your environmental impact along the way.

#### **FOR EVERYONE:**

- \* As the holiday season approaches, decorative lighting is everywhere; consider setting those lights on a timer or unplugging them overnight
- To keep cold air out and warm air in, use door bottoms, thresholds, or door shoes that seal gaps beneath exterior doors
- Keep drapes open during the warmer days of the season and during daylight hours for natural heat

#### **FOR RENTERS:**

- \* Consider less energy usage for lower energy bills, i.e., unplug devices when not in use
- \* When sleeping, if you have control of a thermostat, lower the temperature by seven to 10 degrees
- \* Ask your landlord about caulking and weatherstripping around your windows and doors to reduce heat loss

#### **FOR HOMEOWNERS:**

- \* Consider installing low-use water fixtures in your sinks and showers
- If you have an attic, make sure the vents are not blocked so air can flow through freely to minimize the use of an attic vent fan
- When getting your boiler serviced, often a yearly event, ask for a combustion analysis, a report that will tell you how efficiently it is operating

### **NEED HELP WITH HEATING COSTS?**

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) can help eligible New Yorkers heat and cool their homes.

If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off

For more information, visit https://otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/.



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