



3 tips to keep your heating costs from rising as temps continue to fall

As consistently colder weather bears down on Michigan, our team here at DTE Energy is working hard behind the scenes to keep natural gas affordable for you and your family. You can do your part to put more money in your pocket this fall and winter by keeping three easy tips in mind as temps continue to dip:

1. Change your HVAC system's air filter at least once every three months. A dirty filter will slow air flow, make your system work harder, and in turn use more energy. See the story below for info about how you can get \$50 for completing an HVAC tune-up.

2. Use caulk and weather stripping to seal air leaks. This will not only improve energy efficiency at your home, it'll improve comfort as well. Sealing your home's air leaks could save you up to \$200 per year in heating and cooling costs!

3. Ensure furniture, rugs and curtains are not blocking registers or baseboard heaters. Doing so will allow air to flow freely and efficiently.

Visit dteenergy.com/staywarm for more ways to reduce your overall energy costs this winter!



DTE's super-sized solar parks set records in Michigan and beyond

Did you know two of our recently completed solar parks are among the largest of their kind in the Midwest? With 200,000 panels, our Lapeer solar park is Michigan's largest, and the O'Shea solar park in Detroit is one of the largest urban arrays in our region. Together, they can power more than 11,500 homes!

Learn more about how we're making Michigan's energy future cleaner and greener at dteenergy.com/renew.



Schedule an energy assessment to save money – and get money!

Many factors, including building materials, location and vegetation impact a home's energy use – and inefficiencies. And while general energy-saving tips will help you reduce your overall energy costs, there's no substitute for having a highly trained energy-efficiency expert inspect your house and identify opportunities for improvement.

Sign up for a Comprehensive Energy Assessment (CEA) to get insightful, personalized recommendations for reducing energy use in your home; when you do, we'll give you a \$50 rebate!

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Lighting your way to savings during shorter days, longer nights

Now that daylight has become less plentiful, you're likely keeping your lights on longer and using more energy. Since lighting typically accounts for 20 percent of a household's energy usage, small improvements can make a large dent in your expenses.

- Replace your five most frequently-used fixtures or lamps with ENERGY STAR®-certified lighting to save up to \$70 per year.
- If you have an outdoor porch light, it's likely one of your most-used fixtures. Consider replacing it with an ENERGY STAR®-certified outdoor lighting fixture that includes a motion sensor or automatic daylight shutoff. These fixtures come in a variety of attractive styles and finishes.
- Slash energy – and light bulb replacement – costs by outfitting your home with ENERGY STAR®-certified bulbs. They use up to 90 percent less energy and last 15 times longer than traditional incandescent bulbs.



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