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Saving energy means decreasing the amount of energy used while achieving a similar outcome of end use. Using less energy has lots of benefits – you can save money and help the environment.

There are many sources on the web that give you ideas of what you can do to save energy. Here are a few ideas to get you started:



Have candle lit dinners.

Have a “date night” with family once a week where you turn off all devices and use only candles instead of lights.



Use energy saving lights and household appliances.

Set timers on electrical appliances and devices based on what time of the day you will be using them.

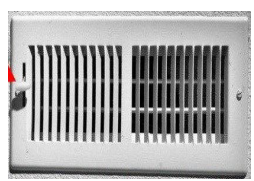


Track your electricity usage with applications.

Unplug chargers and other electronics when not in use.



Put larger items such as televisions and computers on power-strips, and flip the switch to off when the items are not being used.



Clean the external (outside) vents of your air-conditioning unit. Dirt, dust, grass etc. build up, forcing the unit to work harder thus lowering its efficiency. Regularly cleaning these vents combats these elements and lowers power use.

Ensure your freezer is full! Partially empty freezers or refrigerators can drain energy due to warm air replacing the empty spaces of cool air when opening your freezer.



Vacuum refrigerator coils twice yearly to keep the compressor running efficiently for reduced energy usage.

Try redecorating for efficiency. Hang light colored curtains in your rooms and also use light colored paint on walls and ceilings.



To save electricity in the garden, paint different sized rocks with glow in the dark paint. At night time you have a beautiful ambient light glowing in

Do carpooling. It does not only reduce traffic, it also reduces CO₂ emission.

