



Energy Saving Tips

The City of Monroe wants to help you save money and energy on your utility bill. Here are a few energy efficiency tips that can help you better manage your heating and cooling costs throughout the year.

- ✓ Install a programmable thermostat to automatically reduce energy while you are sleeping or away from home. Set your thermostat to 78 degrees in the summer and 68 degrees during the colder months.
- ✓ Change your air filter once a month.
- ✓ Make sure your heating vents are clear of any obstructions, like furniture or drapes.
- ✓ Stop air leaks around doors and windows with caulk and weatherstripping. Open curtains and shades on the sunny side of your house to let the sun warm your home naturally.
- ✓ Open cabinet doors to allow heat to get to your water pipes. Insulated pipes will also help prevent freezing.
- ✓ Leave water dripping during periods of sub-freezing temperatures to avoid frozen pipes.
- ✓ Take a look in the attic. If you see the joists that form the attic floor, you probably need additional insulation.
- ✓ Set your water heater to 120 degrees or lower. This is also much safer for washing & bathing.
- ✓ Install energy star qualified bulbs in place of traditional incandescent light bulbs.

Having trouble paying your bill, you can also apply for payment extensions by visiting our website or in person at the City of Monroe customer service department at 215 North Broad Street. The City of Monroe is committed to helping our customers and will work with you to make payment arrangements. Representatives can also connect you directly with local resources and agencies which may be able to help you pay your bill. For additional information, please call our customer service department at 770-267-3429.