

The Warmth Project



**An Energy Education Initiative of the
Interfaith Leadership Council
Of Metropolitan Detroit**

Energy Assistance Desk Reference Manual

**A resource for faith communities in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties to
effectively meet the energy related needs of those they serve**

Faith Communities Respond To Families and Their Energy Related Needs

Every family and household uses energy. It is a basic need that is expensive and represents a large portion of housing budgets, especially for low income families. Helping people to conserve, afford and maintain the use of needed energy becomes a moral imperative.

Faith communities and their service workers are often asked for help in energy related issues but don't always have the information or the resources to respond adequately.

This **Energy Assistance Desk Reference Manual** is organized in the following category sections to quickly access contact information according to your service interest.

Manual Sections

The Warmth Project – program overview

1. **Payment Assistance** – budgeting & programs to help with bills
2. **Information/Referral** – where to find answers quickly
3. **Save Energy & Money** – saving tips, energy audits, weatherizing
4. **Education & Advocacy** – energy related community agencies
5. **Sharing the Warmth** – opportunities to share and collaborate

Computer Access

Go to **The Warmth Project** web site to directly link to the sites included in this manual and to use the many online services available from the multiple energy related agencies and resources noted.

www.metrodetroitinterfaithwarmth.com

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Project Overview

The Religious Leaders Forum made a moral commitment to address the issues of warmth and shelter as well as literacy. The Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit established **The Warmth Project** to implement practical ways to make an impact on this critical community issue. The focus of the project is to help religious institutions and their outreach workers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties to better serve those who come to them for warmth and energy related assistance.

Status

The Warmth Project collected and developed excellent energy related resource materials; developed an energy assistance manual to use as a **desk reference guide**; established an easy to use web site to search and find more detailed information when needed www.metrodetroitintrefaithwarmth.com.; built working partnerships with service providers willing to schedule workshops or come to your events; and are working to identify existing collaborative efforts and establish a network for sharing information regionally.

Project Focus and Service Niche

The Warmth Project is focused on helping faith communities in the tri county area get the right information on energy related issues and to give them the tools to use the information in a more effective way. **The Warmth Project** is an energy related information resource for congregations, a conduit for action and an organizing vehicle for increasing participation and involvement in addressing this moral issue.

We recognize that faith communities are not equally able or interested in responding to every request for involvement but we can help you participate at your level of interest. Any kind of participation is important from simply distributing program literature to improving your information/referral assistance process. We can help you understand the confusing payment assistance procedures as well as help people to learn how to conserve energy use, become more self-sufficient, better utilize community resources and to determine the best ways to assist low income families meet their needs.

Utility Payment Assistance

1. Past due bills? What to do 1st, 2nd ...

2. Options When Facing Shut-off Notices – Pathways to Follow

3. Payment Plans

4. Utility Assistance Programs: DTE, Consumers, SEMCO

5. Typical Documents Needed

6. Income Eligibility Chart

7. Additional Payment Assistance Resource Agencies & Programs: THAW, St. Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army, MCAAA

Past Due Utility Bills – Shut off Notices

What should someone do first?

1. Contact your utility provider first!

Enroll in all the assistance programs that apply!

DTE Energy (1.800.477.4747)

<http://www.dteenergy.com/residentialCustomers/billingPayment/paymentPrograms/payAssistance.html>

Consumers Energy (1.800.477.5050)

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/content.aspx?id=1244>

SEMCO Energy (1.800.624.2019)

<http://www.semcoenergygas.com/Default.aspx?id=96&b=201&p=73>

2. Start reducing usage, budget and participate in energy saving programs available in your area – start doing some energy saving tips NOW (Low Cost/No Cost).

3. If low income, contact your county DHS office to open a case file and apply for State Emergency Relief (SER)

Find DHS Offices: http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,4562,7-124-5459_5461_32924---,00.html

Apply online: http://www.michigan.gov/dhs/0,4562,7-124-5453_5526_7028---,00.html

4. If assistance received is not enough or your household is not eligible, identify other community resources. Call 2-1-1 or Go to web site & click “Utilities” <http://www.liveunitedsem.org/pages/2-1-1-online-database>

5. Contact alternative community resources to fill any remaining payment gaps for low income households:

THAW <http://www.thawfund.org> 1-800-866-8429

St. Vincent de Paul <http://svdpdet.org/how-we-help-others/energy-assistance> 313-393-2930

Salvation Army <http://www.usc.salvationarmy.org/> (248) 443-5500

Michigan Community Action Agencies

Wayne County: Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency

Web: <http://www.waynemetro.org/gethelp.html>

Downriver Community Conference, (LPO)

Web: <http://www.dccwf.org/weather.php>

Oakland County: Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency

Web: <http://www.olhsa.org/oakland-county>

Macomb County: Macomb County Community Services Agency

Web: <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/MCCSA/centers.htm>

PATHWAYS for Bill Payment Assistance:

Low-Income Utility Customer

Stable (green) -----> Past Due Notice (yellow, caution) -----> Shut-off Notice (orange) -----> Disconnected (red)

Contact your utility/service provider

Contact your utility/service provider

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Contact your utility/service provider

Inquire/Consider/Prepare:

- budget plan options
- low-income and special customer credits
- Home Heating Credit
- Conserve Usage: Receive energy education, Weatherize your home, Talk to an expert
- Attend a customer event offered by your utility

Engage/Prepare/Enroll:

- budget plan enrollment or adjustments
- low-income and special customer credits
- Home Heating Credit
- Conserve Usage: Receive energy education, Weatherize your home, Talk to an expert
- Attend a customer event offered by your utility

Respond ASAP:

- budget plan enrollment or adjustments
- low-income and special customer credits
- Home Heating Credit
- Conserve Usage: Receive energy education, Weatherize your home, Talk to an expert
- Attend a customer event offered by your utility

Respond Immediately:

- budget plan enrollment or adjustments
- low-income and special customer credits
- Home Heating Credit
- Conserve Usage: Receive energy education, Weatherize your home, Talk to an expert
- Attend a customer event offered by your utility

Contact the United Way's 2-1-1 by calling 2-1-1*

Contact Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS)

Call your county DHS office, open case file, and apply for home heating assistance under the State Emergency Relief (SER) program

If the DHS payment is insufficient to address need or if your household is ineligible, contact 2-1-1 for additional bill payment assistance options. 2-1-1 will direct callers to (1) agencies with bill payment assistance programs and funding, e.g. THAW, The Salvation Army, Community Action, NCCS, St. Vincent, etc. and to (2) agencies providing related weatherization and energy education, e.g. Community Action Agencies, WARM Training Center, Michigan Energy Options, NCCS, etc.

2-1-1 may also refer to other vital needs services provided by area agencies: rent/housing, foreclosure prevention, food, EITC, State EITC, budget/credit counseling, tax preparation assistance, Link-up/Lifeline phone discounts, etc.

*If 2-1-1 does not exist in your area, contact your local area assistance agencies individually, e.g., THAW, The Salvation Army, Community Action, NCCS, churches and church organizations, St. Vincent, Accounting Aid Society, GreenPath, etc. Refer to the Michigan Energy Assistance Directory for help finding your area's assistance agencies.

Energy Payment Plans

1. **Budget Wise Plan** – anyone can sign up to pay energy bills in equal monthly payments; flexible due dates; no late fees
2. **Shutoff Protection Plan** – available to anyone with large overdue accounts; no income restrictions; payment plan established to pay past due amounts over a specified monthly payment agreement
3. **Winter Protection Plan** – protects seniors 62 & older and low income families from shutoffs between Nov. 1 and March 31; establishes a payment plan

Contact your utility directly to enroll

DTE Energy Payment Assistance Programs

Call 800.477.4747 BEFORE your service is subject to shutoff. DTE will work with you to set up a payment plan or advise you of assistance agencies in your area.

Programs for all customers	Programs for low income customers only
United Way 2-1-1 Credit Counseling Double Notice Protection Plan Medical Emergencies Shut-off Protection Plan Shut-off Protection: Active Military	Federal Earned Income Credit State Earned Income Credit Home Heating Credit Energy Efficiency Assistance Program State Emergency Relief Program THAW (The Heat And Warmth Fund) Winter Protection Plan* Residential Income Assistance Credit Affordable Rental Housing Link-Up/Lifeline Energy Efficiency Tips Customer Assistance Days

* Seniors 62 years of age or older qualify for this program regardless of income

Consumers Energy Payment Assistance Programs - [Contacting Consumers Energy](#)

Call (800) 477-5050 or email customer@consumersenergy.com Find information on special payment plans and programs that may help meet your energy needs and protect you from natural gas and electric service shut-off. If you need help paying your bill, [Call 2-1-1](#) in your community first. [Download our assistance programs brochure](#), [Spanish version](#).

Emergency Programs Elder Law of Michigan - 65+* Medical Emergency Protection PeopleCare State Emergency Relief (SER) Program The Heat and Warmth Fund (THAW) Shut-off Protection Plan (SPP) - 65+* Winter Protection Plan (WPP) - 65+* *65+ eligible regardless of income	General Energy Assistance Programs Budget Plan Payment Arrangements Third Party Notification State of Michigan Programs Electric and Gas Rate Discounts The Coalition to Keep Michigan Warm
Military Military: Shut-off Protection on Active Duty and Michigan Veteran's Trust Fund	

SEMCO ENERGY Gas Company Payment Assistance Programs

SEMCO coordinates with a variety of agencies to offer payment plans and assistance programs to help customers with their gas bills. The most important thing is to contact SEMCO as soon as you know you cannot pay your entire gas bill. We will work with you to set up a suitable payment plan or advise you of assistance agencies in your area. For more information, contact a SEMCO ENERGY Gas Company **Customer Service Representative at 1-800-624-2019** or call the **Department of Human Services Energy Hotline at 1-800-292-5650**.

Typical Documents Needed to Determine Assistance Eligibility

- Proof of household income
- Valid Michigan ID that matches resident address
- Utility Bills that match client ID and address
- Shutoff, no active service or past due notice
- DHS Decision letter approving emergency assistance
- Bill payment history for past six months

Determining “Low Income” eligibility

Most energy related programs use 200% of federal guidelines for poverty as criteria for providing assistance. Note that State Emergency Relief (SER) and Winter Protection Budget plans use 150% and the State Home Heating Credit uses 100% levels.

Number of Household Members/Exemptions	Maximum Income 200% of Poverty
1	\$22,340
2	\$30,260
3	\$38,160
4	\$46,100
5	\$54,020
6	\$61,940

The Heat and Warmth Fund

Energy Assistance

1-800-866-8429 or visit: <http://www.thawfund.org>

Eligibility

- Account balance cannot exceed \$2500 for combined accounts or \$2000 for single accounts
- A bill/invoice is required for deliverable fuel vendors.
- Applicant must have a valid Michigan drivers License or State ID
- Account must be residential, not commercial.
- Account must be in the applicant's name and he/she must live at the service address.
- Applicant must obtain a State Emergency Relief (SER) "Decision Notice" from Michigan Department of Human Services IF they have a current shut-off notice (except seniors).
- Account must have a past due balance, shut off notice, disconnected service, or have an immediate need for deliverable fuel.
- Applicant must pay unauthorized usage charges.
- Applicant must have paid \$225 on single/\$450 on combined accounts within the past six months.
- Proof of household income is required. Income must be at or below 200% of the current Federal Poverty Level guidelines (see chart below).

Income Requirements

To be eligible for THAW assistance income must be at or below 200% of the current Federal Poverty Level (see chart below).

Family Size	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person
Income	\$22,340	\$30,260	\$38,180	\$46,100	\$54,020	\$61,940

THAW assistance is granted once per calendar year for each utility type.

St. Vincent de Paul Energy Assistance

(313) 393-2930 <http://svdpdet.org/how-we-help-others/energy-assistance>

To find out if you or your client qualifies for energy assistance with St. Vincent de Paul Energy Assistance Program answer these questions:

1. Is the total annual gross household income of all earning members in the family above the age of 18 years, at or below the amount mentioned in the table:

1-Person Family	2-Person Family	3-Person Family	4-Person Family	5-Person Family	6-Person Family	7-Person Family	8-Person Family
\$22,340	\$30,260	\$38,180	\$46,100	\$54,020	\$61,940	\$69,860	\$77,780

(If YES proceed to the next question. If NO, you do not qualify for energy assistance under St. Vincent de Paul, Energy Assistance Program.)

2. Is the total balance of the current energy bill below \$3500 for a combined gas/electric account or below \$2000 for a single utility?

(If YES proceed to the next question. If NO, you do not qualify for energy assistance under St. Vincent de Paul, Energy Assistance Program.)

3. Does the name and address on the energy bill match the name and address on the photo ID?

(If NO, you need to go either to utility company or Secretary of State so that you meet the above qualifying requirement and complete the pre-screening once this is done.)

4. Have you paid (this is not payment made by any agency) more than \$450 for a combined account or \$225 for a single utility in the past 6 months?

(If YES proceed to the next question. If NO, you do not qualify for energy assistance under St. Vincent de Paul, Energy Assistance Program.)

5. Have you received any energy assistance in the last 12 months from any agency (other than DHS) which is below \$3,000 for combined gas/electric account or less than \$1,500 for a single utility?

(If YES proceed to making a phone call. If NO, you do not qualify for energy assistance under St. Vincent de Paul, Energy Assistance Program.)

If you answered YES to ALL above questions, call phone # 313 393 2930 and follow the prompts to receive assistance. This is only the first step in the application process and is not a guarantee of receiving energy assistance.

If your answer is NO, you do not qualify for energy assistance under St. Vincent de Paul, Energy Assistance Program. However, you may want to approach other service agencies to check if you are eligible under their program.

Salvation Army Energy Assistance

(248) 443-5500 <http://www.usc.salvationarmy.org/>

To help make a difference, The Salvation Army serves to resolve immediate crisis as well as “encourage accountability, support long-term sustainability and balance accountability with service.”

In combination with state funds, The Salvation Army partners with several Michigan utility companies to offer low-income assistance programs and bill credits.

Begun in 1983, **PeopleCare** is a unique partnership between Consumers Energy and The Salvation Army to help Michigan households who may not qualify for other assistance yet are struggling to make ends meet.

As available, the **DTE Match Program – DTE Energy** enables The Salvation Army to assist DTE customers who are in shut-off status or have experienced disconnection of service. If a household meets income eligibility requirements and is able to commit a portion of his or her own resources toward their bill, DTE will match The Salvation Army’s contribution on the remaining account balance. DTE will then restore service if necessary and place the customer on a budget plan.

Michigan Community Action Agencies **Energy Assistance**

MCAAA provides funding to CAAs who make payments towards client energy bills. For this program we utilize our network of CAAs. The partnerships that exist between CAAs, and state and local MDHS offices, and other community groups have resulted in better coordination of services, thus expanding the safety net that exists in the State of Michigan to include those who may not be eligible for state or county programs. CAAs work with other human service providers in their area as well as utility companies, deliverable fuel providers, and other assistance providers to maximize the services available to the low-income client.

In addition, many CAAs sponsor Walk for Warmth or similar fundraisers to raise money to help low income families pay for heat and electricity. Typically held during the colder parts of the year, Walk for Warmth fundraisers are a great way to involve community supporters, school groups, and others in a positive activity.

Wayne County: Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency
Web: <http://www.waynemetro.org/gethelp.html>
Downriver Community Conference, (LPO)
Web: <http://www.dccwf.org/weather.php>

Oakland County: Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency
Web: <http://www.olhsa.org/oakland-county>

Macomb County: Macomb County Community Services Agency
Web: <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/MCCSA/centers.htm>

Information/Referral Contacts

1. Finding answers – Start Here

2. Utility Web Sites

3. County Contacts & Locations

Finding Resources

When in doubt, check these out!

The most comprehensive and interactive web sites for identifying resources available by area and individual circumstance:

- **United Way 2-1-1**

You can call 2-1-1 for answers but visiting the web site is BETTER
<http://www.liveunitedsem.org/pages/2-1-1-online-database>

Once on the site, you insert your zip code and click the **“Utilities”** icon to access all the energy related categories they list. Click the topic of interest and all resources are listed for that zip code with detailed information on each entry. Go to **“Housing”** and click **“Weatherization”** for efficiency programs.

- **Julie’s List**

Quick and easy to use web site arranged so you can access resource information by problem categories. **“Home”** <http://julieslist.homestead.com>

Two energy related problem category favorites are:

“Utility Programs” <http://julieslist.homestead.com/Utilityresources.html>

“Weatherization” <http://julieslist.homestead.com/Weatherizationresources.html>

- **Helping Hand - Michigan Government Services**

Helpful for initiating assistance for low income families.
www.michigan.gov/helpinghand

Utility Web Sites

DTE Energy (1.800.477.4747)

Payment Assistance

<http://www.dteenergy.com/residentialCustomers/billingPayment/paymentPrograms/payAssistance.html>

Energy Savings Rebates for Homes

<http://www.dteenergy.com/residentialCustomers/saveEnergy/>

Consumers Energy (1.800.477.5050)

Payment Assistance

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/content.aspx?id=1244>

Download our [assistance programs brochure](#), [Spanish version](#).

Energy Savings Rebates for Homes

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/eeprograms/Residential.aspx?id=4069>

Controlling your energy costs

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/content.aspx?id=1246>

SEMCOEnergy (1.800.624.2019)

Payment Assistance

<http://www.semcoenergygas.com/Default.aspx?id=96&b=201&p=73>

Energy Efficiency and Rebate Programs

http://www.encyclopedia.com/?page_id=130

Wayne County

Department of Human Services

DHS-Forest/Ellery District
3606 E. Forest Detroit, MI 48207
Phone: 313-267-0700 Fax: 313-267-0779

DHS-Fort Wayne District
6534 W. Jefferson Detroit, MI 48209
Phone: 313-554-8300 Fax: 313-554-8460

DHS-Glendale/Trumbull District
396 Glendale Highland Park, MI 48238
Phone: 313-852-2187 Fax: 313-852-2186

DHS-Grand River/Warren District
5131 Grand River Detroit, MI 48208
Phone: 313-361-7300 Fax: 313-361-7525

DHS-Greenfield/Joy District
8655 Greenfield Detroit, MI 48228
Phone: 313-943-5200 Fax: 313-943-5230

DHS-Greydale
17330 Greydale Detroit, MI 48219
Phone: 313-387-7100 Fax: 313-387-2853

DHS-Hamtramck District
2400 Denton Hamtramck, MI 48212
Phone: 313-876-6304 Fax: 313-876-6877

DHS-Inkster District
2700 Hamlin Inkster, MI 48141
Phone 313-277-4782 Fax: 313-277-4782

DHS-Lafayette District
2000 W. Lafayette Detroit, MI 48216
Phone: 313-963-6002 Fax: 313-963-6028

DHS-McNichols/Goddard District
2400 E. McNichols Road Detroit, MI 48212
Phone: 313-852-2300 Fax: 313-852-2358

DHS-Medbury/Concord District
6821 Medbury Detroit, MI 48211
Phone: 313-267-0340 Fax: 313-267-0406

DHS-Schoolcraft/Stansbury District
14000 Schoolcraft Detroit, MI 48227
Phone: 313-493-7400 Fax: 313-493-7701

DHS-Taylor District
22050 Pennsylvania Road Taylor, MI 48180
Phone: 734-281-8204 Fax: 734-281-8305

Michigan Community Action Agency Association

Wayne County (including the City of Detroit for weatherization services):

Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency
3715 W. Jefferson Avenue Ecorse, MI 48229
Phone: (313) 843-2550 Fax: (313) 841-7540
E-mail: info@waynemetro.org Website:
www.waynemetro.org

The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army - Brightmoor Corps
15133 Burgess Detroit, MI 48223
Phone: (313) 532-1500 Fax: (313) 532-1734

The Salvation Army - Dearborn Heights Corps
26700 W. Warren Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
Phone: (313) 563-4457 Fax: (313) 563-1951

The Salvation Army - Grandale Corps
11325 Montrose Detroit, MI 48227
Phone: (313) 835-3736 Fax: (313) 835-8644

The Salvation Army - Harbor Light Corps
3737 Lawton Detroit, MI 48208
Phone: (313) 361-6136 Fax: (313) 361-6342

The Salvation Army - Harding Corps
3735 Harding Detroit, MI 48214
Phone: (313) 822-2800 Fax: (313) 882-8873

The Salvation Army - Plymouth Corps
9451 S. Main Plymouth, MI 48170
Phone: (734) 453-5464 Fax: (734) 453-0805

The Salvation Army - Temple Corps
3729 W. Chicago Detroit, MI 48206
Phone: (313) 897-2914 Fax: (313) 897-2933

The Salvation Army - Wayne/Westland
2300 Venoy Westland, MI 48186
Phone: (734) 722-3660 Fax: (734) 722-5115

The Salvation Army - Wyandotte Corps
1258 Biddle Wyandotte, MI 48192
Phone: (734) 282-0930 Fax: (734) 282-8928

Weatherization Agency

Wayne Metropolitan Community Action Agency
3715 W. Jefferson Avenue Ecorse, MI 48229
Phone: (313) 843-2550 Fax: (313) 841-7540

Wayne County (cont.)

THAW Agency Participants

American Indian Services
1110 Southfield Road Lincoln Park, MI 48146
Phone: (313) 388-4100 Fax: (313) 388-6566

Arab Center Community Economy Social Services (ACCESS)
2651 Saulino Court Dearborn, MI 48120
Phone: (313) 842-7010 Fax: (313) 842-5150

Black Family Development
2995 E. Grand Blvd. Detroit MI 48202
Phone: (313) 758-0150 Fax: (313) 758-0253

Delray United Action Council
7914 W. Jefferson Detroit, MI 48209
Phone: (313) 842-8620 Fax: (313) 842-1766

Department of Human Services-Area A
18100 Meyers, Detroit, MI 48235
Phone: (313) 887-6656 Fax: (313) 578-7638

Department of Human Services-Area C
7131 Westfield Detroit, MI 48204
Phone: (313) 887-6687 Fax: (313) 870-5059

Department of Human Services-Area D
7737 Kercheval Detroit, MI 48214
Phone: (313) 887-6700 Fax: (313) 852-4775

Department of Human Services-Area G
5031 Grandy Detroit, MI 48211
Phone: (313) 852-5634 Fax: (313) 852-5608

Detroit Community Initiative, Inc.
4777 E. Outer Drive Detroit, MI 48234
Phone: (313) 368-0240 Fax: (313) 368-0531

Friendship House
9540 Conant Hamtramck, MI 48212
Phone: (313) 871-7443 Fax: (313) 871-7445

Greater Mitchell Temple C.O.G.I.C.
13737 Curtis Detroit, MI 48235
Phone: (313) 340-1880 Fax: (313) 340-1881

HELP
1726 Howard Detroit, MI 48216
Phone: (313) 832-330 Fax: (313) 832-3393

Izak's House
12837 Dexter Blvd. Detroit, MI 48238
Phone: (313) 834-4056 Fax: (313) 834-4856

Latino Family Services
3815 W. Fort Street Detroit, MI 48216
Phone: (313) 841-7380 Fax: (313) 841-3730

Michigan Legal Services
220 Bagley, Suite 900 Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: (313) 964-4130 Fax: (313) 964-1192

Neighborhood Service Organization-
Dexter/Elmhurst
11825 Dexter Detroit, MI 48206
Phone: (313) 933-2583 Fax: (313) 571-9866

Neighborhood Service Organization
Harper Gratiot Multi Service Center
9641 Harper Detroit, MI 48213
Phone: (313) 923-5050 Fax: (313) 571-9866

Ravendale
13903 Harper Detroit, MI 48213
Phone: (313) 527-1603 Fax: (313) 527-4091

Rochester Area Neighborhood House
1234 Inglewood Rochester MI 48308
Phone: (248) 651-5836 Fax: (248) 651-5310

United Community Housing Coalition
220 Bagley, Suite 224 Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: (313)963-3310 Fax: (313) 963-4680

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
2121 Biddle Wyandotte, MI 48192
Phone: (734) 246-2280 Fax: (734) 246-2288

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
3715 W. Jefferson Ecorse, MI 48229
Phone: (313) 843-2550 Fax: (313) 841-7540

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
6094 Second Street Romulus, MI 48174
Phone: (734) 729-7635 Fax: (734) 729-7636

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
211 Glendale Suite 423 Highland Pk, MI 48203
Phone: (313) 868-1460 Fax: (313) 868-9629

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
30650 W. Six Mile Road Livonia, MI 48152
Phone: (734) 266-0190 Fax: (734) 266-0189

Wayne Metropolitan CAA
26650 Eureka Road Taylor, MI 48180
Phone: (734) 955-6752 Fax: (734) 955-6754

Other

Wayne County Soldiers Relief Fund
28 W. Adams, Ste. 1710 Detroit, MI 48226
Phone: (313) 224-5045 Fax: (313) 224-8179

Health Emergency Lifeline Program (Note:
Clients must be HIV positive)
1419 W. Warren
Detroit, MI 48208
Phone: (313) 832-3300 Fax: (313) 832-3393

Oakland County

Department of Human Services

DHS - Baldwin Road District 1
1685 Baldwin Road
Pontiac, MI 48340
Phone: (248) 975-4800 Fax: (248) 975-4855

DHS - Oakland County
Oakland Towne Center
28 N. Saginaw St., Ste.1200
Pontiac, MI 48342
Phone: (248) 975-5400 Fax: (248) 975-5550

DHS - Madison Heights District 2
30755 Montpelier
Madison Heights, MI 48071
Phone: (248) 583-8700 Fax: (248) 583-8841

Michigan Community Action Agency Association

Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency -
Central Office
196 Caesar E. Chavez Ave.
Pontiac, MI 48343
Phone: (248) 209-2600 Fax: (248) 209-2645
E-mail: info@olhsa.org
Website: www.olhsa.org

Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency –
South Office
345 E. Nine Mile Road
Ferndale, MI 48220
Phone: (248) 542-5860 Fax: (248) 542-5897

The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army - Eastern Michigan
Service Extension
Please speak with caseworker via phone:
(989) 723-9753

The Salvation Army - Farmington Hills Corps
27500 Shiawasee
Farmington Hills, MI 48336
Phone: (248) 477-1153 Fax: (248) 477-7468

The Salvation Army - Pontiac Corps
34 Oakland Avenue
Pontiac, MI 48342
Phone: (248) 334-2407 Fax: (248) 334-0442

The Salvation Army - Royal Oak Corps
3015 N. Main Street
Royal Oak, MI 48073
Phone: (248) 585-5600 Fax: (248) 585-6997

THAW Agency Participants

Active Faith Community Services
401 S. Washington, P.O. Box 188
South Lyon, MI 48178
Phone: (248) 437-9790 Fax: (248) 437-0109

Jewish Family Services
6555 West Maple Road
West Bloomfield, MI 48322
Phone: 248-592-2313 Fax: 248-592-2310

Lighthouse Emergency Services-Clarkston
6330 Sashabaw Road
Clarkston, MI 48346
Phone: (248) 620-6116 Fax: (248) 620-6337

Lighthouse Emergency Services-Pontiac
46156 Woodward Avenue
Pontiac, MI 48342
Phone: (248) 920-6100, Ext. 2200
Fax: (248) 335-1031

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196 Cesar E. Chavez Ave., P.O. Box 430598
Pontiac, MI 48343
Phone: Pontiac Main Office (248) 209-2600
S. Oakland (248) 542-5860 Fax: (248) 209-2645
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Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency
345 East 9 Mile Road
Ferndale, MI 48220
Phone: 248-542-5860

Rochester Hills Area Neighborhood House
1234 Ingelwood
Rochester Hills, MI 48308
Phone: (248) 651-5836
Fax: (248)651-5310

Southfield Human Services
26080 Berg Road
Southfield, MI 48033
Phone: (248) 796-4546
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Weatherization Agency

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196 Caesar E. Chavez Ave. Pontiac, MI 48343
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345 E. Nine Mile Road Ferndale, MI 48220
Phone: (248) 542-5860 Fax: (248) 542-5897
E-mail: info@olhsa.org Website: www.olhsa.org

Veterans Trust Fund

401 E. 13 Mile Road Madison Heights, MI 48071
Phone: (248) 655-1265 Fax: (248) 655-1263

Macomb County

Department of Human Services

DHS - Macomb
19700 Hall Road, Ste. A
Clinton Twp., MI 48038-1478
Phone: (586) 412-6100
Fax: (586) 412-6141

DHS - Mt. Clemens
21885 Dunham Road
Clinton Twp., MI 48036
Phone: (586) 469-7700
Fax: (586) 783-0904

DHS - Sterling Heights
44600 Delco Blvd.
Sterling Heights, MI 48313
Phone: (586) 254-1500
Fax: (586) 254-8072

DHS - Warren
27690 Van Dyke Avenue
Warren, MI 48093
Phone: (586) 427-0600
Fax: (586) 427-0668

Michigan Community Action Agency Association

Macomb County
Community Services Agency
VerKuilen Building
21885 Dunham Road, Suite 10
Clinton Township, MI 48036
Phone: (586) 469-6999 Fax: (586) 469-5532
Website: www.macombcountymi.gov/mccsa
E-mail: mccsa@macombcountymi.gov

The Salvation Army

The Salvation Army - Mt. Clemens Corps
55 Church Street
Mt. Clemens, MI 48043
Phone: (586) 469-6712
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The Salvation Army - Warren Corps
24140 Mound Road
Warren, MI 48091
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THAW Agency Participants

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Warren, MI 48091
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Other Services

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21885 Dunham Road, Ste. 3
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Fax: (586) 469-5316

Save Energy and Money

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10 Ways to Save on Winter Heating Bills

1. **Lower your thermostat to 68 degrees.** In the winter, set the thermostat between 65 and 70 degrees during the day and to 58 degrees at night or when away from home for several hours. If you have a heat pump, make sure to slowly increase the temperature to avoid running the emergency heat. You can learn more about your thermostat online by visiting the U.S. Department of Energy website.
2. **Seal air leaks.** Seal all holes from pipes and wires that enter/exit the living space. This includes entrances, pull-downs and attic stair openings, light fixtures, pipes and wires. Attic entryways should be weather stripped and insulated.
3. **Seal off fireplaces.** Never use a fireplace as a heat source for your home. Even as a supplemental heat source, the cold air introduced to a warm home through an open flue isn't as efficient as sealing off a fireplace and using the primary source of heat. For natural gas fireplaces, turn off the pilot light when not in use. Seal off the fireplace area or the flue area to prevent cold air from leaking in. (Note: Building codes in some areas require that the damper in your chimney to be permanently blocked open if you install gas logs. Please check the building code for your area for the appropriate procedure.)
4. **Seal duct work.** This is the number one way to conserve energy. Make sure that all ductwork is sealed at joints and intersections with duct sealer or silicone caulk. Otherwise, supply ductwork can leak heated air into the attic or crawl space, and outside air can be drawn into the return ductwork, increasing costs and reducing comfort dramatically. Ducts can be sealed using foil-backed tape or silicon caulking.
5. **Lower water heater to 120-125 degrees.** Many water heaters are automatically set at 140 degrees. Lowering the temperature on your water heater to between 120 and 125 degrees will reduce the amount of fuel needed to heat the water.
6. **Change furnace filters every month.** This is the number one reason for furnace breakdowns. Inspect heating and cooling equipment annually, or as recommended by the manufacturer. Have a professional check and clean furnaces once a year.
7. **Weatherstrip doors and windows.** Inspect windows and doors for air leaks. If you can see daylight around a door or window frame, then the door or window needs sealing. Air leaks can be sealed with caulking or weather-stripping.
8. **Insulate water pipes coming from the water heater.** Insulate the first 3- to 6-feet of cold and hot water pipes near the water heater. Insulating all hot water pipes is not necessary where pipes are located in a crawlspace or attic.
9. **Add an insulation blanket to water heater.** Wrapping the water heater with an insulation blanket can save heating money by slowing the drop in temperature from the hot water tank as it sits unused. Inexpensive insulation kits are available at most home improvement stores.
10. **Add insulation to attic.** When adding insulation, start at the top and work down only after eliminating air infiltration.

Tips to Save Energy & Keep Cool This Summer

Raise your thermostat to 78°. If you are away from home for more than eight hours, raise the thermostat setting and you can expect to see up to a 3% savings on cooling costs for each degree of setback. This is the number one way to conserve energy. This will reduce the amount of energy used to cool your home while you're away. You can learn more about your thermostat online by visiting the [U.S. Department of Energy website](#).

Keep shades closed when the air conditioner is on. Sunny windows account for 40 percent of unwanted heat and can make your air conditioner work two to three times harder.

Check and clean filters. Cleaning and replacing air conditioning filters monthly allows the system to run more efficiently.

Clear attic vents. If the home has an attic fan, make sure it is functioning properly.

Install ceiling fans and make sure they are blowing down. Don't underestimate the importance of ceiling fans. Moving air over the body provides a cooling effect. The use of ceiling fans can mean savings of around 25% on cooling costs and can make the temperature seem 10 degrees cooler. Most fans have a switch to change the fan direction. Make sure ceiling fans are blowing downward (in a counter-clockwise direction) to send air past your body.

Postpone activities that require hot water and large energy use – such as washing dishes or clothes – to early morning or late evening. This will keep from adding more heat and humidity to the home. Use the dishwasher and clothes washer late in the evening. When used during the day, these appliances produce additional heat, causing your air conditioner to work harder.

Use cold water to wash dishes and clothes. This will save on water heating costs.

Avoid using the stove if possible. Consider grilling outside instead.

Unplug equipment not in use. Electric chargers, televisions and audio/video equipment use electricity and produce heat even when they are not in use. Running an older refrigerator can use up to three times the energy of a modern one. Unplug any appliance when it's not in use.

Turn off lights. Turn lights off when exiting a room. They add to the heat in the home. Consider replacing incandescent bulbs with energy efficient compact florescent lights (CFLs). And remember to recycle CFLs whenever possible.

Outdoor Tips

Use energy wisely. Don't forget the outside of your home.

Take this test: If a playing card fits the crevice of an outside door or window, you need more weather stripping. Caulk and weather-strip to stop air leaks around windows, doors, exhaust fans and any other place where wires or pipes pass through walls. Replace any caulk that has cracks or is no longer soft.

You can install storm and/or replacement windows, but they may not be the best use of your energy improvement dollars because of their high cost and long payback. A low-cost alternative is 6-mil plastic, which you can use to "make" storm windows. Be sure to stretch it as tightly as you can. If you use these homemade storm windows on the inside of your regular windows and attach them carefully, they can last through several seasons. You can also find homemade kits at home improvement stores.

Keep out winter air by covering your window air conditioners tightly on the inside with thick plastic or special air conditioner covers. Weather-strip around the units to block drafts.

Cover bare ground beneath your home with a vapor barrier to keep moisture from getting into your home. Polyethylene sheets work well. Since a third of your air conditioner's energy is spent removing moisture, vapor barriers can make a noticeable dent in your energy bills.

If you have a **crawlspace**, open your foundation vents each spring and close them each fall.

Planning to replace your roof? Consider roofing materials with reflective coatings and/or choose light-colored roofing to greatly reduce heat absorption.

Carefully plan your **landscaping** to help to reduce your energy costs and increase indoor comfort.

Plant deciduous trees like oak, maple, gum, ash and dogwood. They lose their leaves in the winter, letting the sun through to warm your home. In summer, their leaves shade your home. Plant shade trees to the south, since that side gets the most sun.

Evergreens are effective for blocking wind. Plant them in a staggered or double line to the northwest of your home.

Smaller foundation plants can minimize the loss of cool air away from the house in summer and, in winter, provide additional wind protection.

Use these simple tips to help you save cash and conserve energy!

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- Plug home electronics into power strips with surge protection. Turn the strip off when the equipment is not in use.
- In the summer, raise the thermostat to 78 degrees.
- Replace regular light bulbs with ENERGY STAR® Compact Fluorescent Lights (CFLs). CFLs use up to 75% less energy.
- Plant deciduous trees on the south and west sides of your home to block the afternoon and evening sun.
- Be more eco-efficient. Use a mug or glass instead of styrofoam or paper cups.
- Write with refillable pens made from recycled plastic.
- Look for the ENERGY STAR® label on home appliances and products. ENERGY STAR® products meet strict efficiency guidelines set by the EPA.
- Consider electric mowers and trimmers. For smaller yards, try a reel mower.
- Consider solar-powered accent lighting for yard and garden.
- For fax machines and printers, use refillable ink cartridges and recycle old ones.
- Activate your computer's sleep mode when you leave your desk. This reduces electricity consumption to less than 5 percent of full power.
- Install low-flow showerheads and faucets. They're inexpensive, easy to install and reduce energy and hot water use.
- Conserve by only printing what you really need.
- Only wash full loads of dishes in the dishwasher and use the energy-saving setting for the drying cycle (or let dishes air dry).
- Look for a dry cleaning service with "clean and green" processes, including reuse of hangers and garment bags.
- To save on water heating costs, use cold water to wash dishes and run the garbage disposal.
- Carpool or use public transportation. If you own a business, encourage carpooling or allow telecommuting to reduce carbon emissions.
- When building a new home, consider energy-efficient building materials.
- Save water by repairing leaky faucets. Even a slow leak wastes more than you realize.
- Shade air conditioning units with trees or shrubs, helping the unit run up to 10% more efficient.
- Defrost your manual unit freezer regularly. Frost buildup increases the amount of energy needed to keep the motor running.
- Weather-strip and caulk around doors and windows to rid your house of drafts and prevent leaking of heated and cooled air.
- Try to buy items that are reusable or come in reusable packaging – and make sure to reuse them.
- Look for natural furnishings that have been or can be recycled.
- Use rechargeable batteries; they can last up to twice as long as disposables.

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- Take your lunch to work in a reusable container.
- Install lighting occupancy sensors or timers in rooms that aren't used often.
- Choose energy efficient office machines to reduce costs and carbon emissions.
- Conduct an online home energy audit and get personalized energy-saving tips.
- Repair, seal and add insulation to existing heating and cooling ducts to prevent heating and cooling loss.
- If your primary refrigerator is at least 10 years old, consider replacing it with an ENERGY STAR® qualified model.
- Use warm or cold water for washing clothes and always use cold water for rinsing.
- Seal around holes from pipes and wires that enter or exit your home's living space.
- Consider replacing old windows with new high-performance, dual-pane windows.
- Have your cooling system checked by a professional to make sure it's operating at peak efficiency.
- Add insulation to the attic. Your home should have a minimum R-30 insulation in the ceiling or attic.
- Use dimmer switches or timers on lights.
- Don't keep your refrigerator too cold. The ideal temperature is between 32°-39°.
- Use task lighting when possible. Focus light where it's needed rather than lighting an entire room.
- Use three-way lamps. They make it easier to keep lighting levels low when bright light is not necessary.
- Need a new roof? Choose lighter-colored roofing to reduce heat absorption from the sun.
- Turn off running water when shaving or brushing your teeth.
- Consider using a gas range or oven as they cost less to operate than electric units.
- Vacuum refrigerator coils often to keep the unit running efficiently.
- Consider having a professional energy audit performed on your home or business.
- Thinking about a new car? Consider a hybrid vehicle.
- Make sure your refrigerator door seals are airtight.
- Turn off lights when you leave a room.
- Open crawl space vents to keep air moving and the space dry.
- Place the washing machine near the hot water heater because water loses heat as it flows through pipes.

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- Use a fan to help your air conditioner spread cooled air more effectively through your home without greatly increasing energy use.
- Make sure you've insulated around recessed lights, attic doors and other places where outdoor air can sneak into your home.
- Save on air conditioning by closing supply vents in unused rooms. (Note: If you have a heat pump, vents should be left open.)
- If you have a pool, cover it when not in use to minimize heating costs.
- Always wash full load of clothes or adjust the water level for smaller loads.
- A healthy lawn is like an additional air conditioner, keep the grass green and lush.
- Insulate water pipes coming from the water heater.
- Draw shades or drapes to block sunlight during the hottest part of the day.
- When you'll be away from home for more than four hours, raise the thermostat 5-10 degrees or more.
- Install a programmable thermostat and set it to adjust the temperature throughout the day.
- For bathrooms, hallways or bedrooms consider installing LED night lights equipped with photo sensors to keep them off during daylight hours.
- Wrap your water heater with a water heater blanket, especially if it's in an unheated area of your home.
- Don't let kitchen or bathroom exhaust fans run longer than necessary.
- Use the energy-saving feature on computers, monitors, printers, copiers and other business equipment. Turn them off at the end of the day.
- Save paper, energy and money. Take the time to remove your name from mailing lists for reading materials you don't need.
- Lower your water heater to the optimal temperature of 120–125 degrees.
- Clean or replace furnace/air-conditioning filters every month.
- Dry only full loads of laundry and keep the dryer's lint filter clean so it operates at maximum efficiency.
- Create less heat in your home by drying clothes in the early morning or later in the evening.
- Take showers instead of baths to save water. Use cooler water to save energy.
- Make sure drapes and furniture aren't blocking the air supply vents in your home.
- Clean light bulbs regularly. Grime from cooking and dust can make a light bulb dirty, reducing the light it gives off.
- Use an automatic clothes-drying cycle instead of a timed cycle. Put in the next load quickly to make use of leftover heat.
- Fill a dishpan with rinse water instead of letting the faucet run while you do dishes by hand.
- Need a new dishwasher? Look for ENERGY STAR® qualified models.

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- Use a pot or pan that completely covers the stove's heating element. When any part of the element is exposed, you're wasting heat and energy.
- When considering the layout of your kitchen, don't place the refrigerator near an oven or other heat source so it will run more efficiently.
- Lower the thermostat. In the winter, set the thermostat between 65 and 70 degrees during the day and to 58 degrees at night or when away from home for several hours. If you have a heat pump, make sure to slowly increase the temperature to avoid running the emergency heat.
- When cooking small meals, try using a small toaster oven as opposed to a large conventional oven.
- Get the kids to turn off the gaming console electronics when they're not using them.
- Like to fall asleep with the TV on? Put the TV on a sleep timer to save energy when you're no longer awake.
- Close the damper on your fireplace when you're not burning a fire.
- Use a rake instead of a leaf blower to tidy up your yard.
- Take reusable cloth bags with you to the grocery store to carry your groceries home in.
- Use less paper by printing and copying on both sides.
- Keep the oven door closed while cooking your meals. Each time you open the oven door, it drops the temperature 25 degrees, requiring more energy to cook your meal.
- Keep your freezer stocked (with food or even frozen bottles of water). Freezers work more efficiently when they're full than empty.
- Get a 'water butt' or bucket to collect rain water which you can later use to water your plants.
- Make an effort to run all your errands at once, eliminating trips back and forth from your home.
- Before you open the refrigerator or freezer door, decide what you want to eat so you're not letting cold air escape.
- Look into online banking and bill paying which could help lower your carbon footprint and save money on stamps.
- Remove your AC window unit at the end of each season to prevent heating loss during the winter months.
- When purchasing holiday lights, look for LED lights because they use less energy than traditional light strings.
- When you purchase your next computer, consider a laptop over a desktop as laptops use less energy.
- When it's warm outside, grill out. Cooking outside keeps the heat outside and the cool air inside.
- Keep your range burners clean (and the reflectors) as clean burners utilize energy more efficiently.
- It takes less energy to reheat meals than when cooking them for the first time. Try cooking larger meals and reheating the leftovers.
- Consider placing solar film on your home windows. This can help keep the hot sun out.
- When boiling water, make sure to place the lid on the pot.
- Walk or ride your bike to work.

Home Energy Audit Offers

DTE Energy, Consumers Energy and SEMCO Energy utility companies all offer consultation and audit programs. **Better Buildings for Michigan** is also offering a comprehensive audit for \$100 or free to low income families. Each energy audit helps to identify easy to install measures, reduce energy use and control energy costs.

A home energy audit is the first step to determine how much energy your house uses and what improvements you should make to save money and energy. Home energy audits can:

- pinpoint where your house is losing energy
- determine the efficiency of your heating and cooling systems
- show you ways to use less energy
- identify which improvements will save you the most money

Audit Types

1. *There are **FREE online** energy use analyzers from each utility. Develop personalized plans to save. There are additional incentives when installing insulation and weatherization upgrades.*
2. Home Energy **Consultation programs** are **FREE** and scheduled as an in-home energy assessment for residential homes (four families or less). It includes the installation of energy efficient items such as compact fluorescent light bulbs, water heater pipe insulation, water saving shower heads and faucet aerators (items may vary). Trained energy consultants provide the information needed to save energy and save money. There are **no income requirements** for participation.
3. A **whole house comprehensive** energy assessment for a fee is completed to determine how improvements throughout a house can work together to increase comfort and significantly reduce energy use. **Can be free** for low income households. **\$100 currently from Better Buildings for Michigan.**

Rebates on Improvements

Rebates are offered for a variety of upgrades including: air sealing, insulation measures, window replacement and HVAC equipment measures. Customers who perform multiple improvements are eligible for bonus incentives based on the number of qualifying upgrades installed. Call your Utility Company to determine current rebates or go to their web sites.

MyEnergy Analyzer is an interactive tool that helps you easily evaluate how you use energy in your home and where you can save. When you sign in, MyEnergy Analyzer pulls data from your bill history to give you a custom analysis. Please enable/accept cookies to get the optimal value from this tool.

- Find out how your home uses energy, and how it compares to other homes in your area.
- Select one of four themes that most closely relates to your energy saving style.
- Choose the amount of time, money and skill-level that you are willing to commit to making energy efficiency improvements in your home, to obtain a personalized Action Savings Plan.
- Further customize your plan and savings by detailing your specific home Energy Profile.





Open MyEnergy Analyzer

Calculators of energy use

<http://www.dteenergy.com/residentialCustomers/saveEnergy/calculators/calculatorLanding.html>

DTE Energy's Home **Energy Consultation** program can help you save energy and take control of your energy costs – **at no cost to you. That's FREE!**

We're all looking for ways to make life more affordable. One way is by reducing the amount of energy we use, which can lower our utility bills. You can make simple changes in your home. DTE Energy consultants will visit your home and conduct a **FREE** energy usage assessment that will evaluate the energy efficiency of your home. They will discuss with you energy savings recommendations and ways that you can lower your energy costs even more. **While our consultants are in your home, they'll install the following products:**

	ENERGY STAR® compact fluorescent light bulbs (up to forty)
	Water-saving faucet aerators for kitchen and bath (up to two)
	Water-saving showerheads (up to two)
	Water heater pipe wrap (up to 12')

It's the little things that add up to big energy savings, so schedule a **Home Energy Consultation** [online](#) today or call us today at **866.796.0512**.

[Get Started](#)

Comprehensive Energy Audit

BetterBuildings for Michigan Program

What would you do with an extra \$250 per year?

Most Michigan homeowners could save over \$250 per year on their energy bills with simple, inexpensive home improvements. For just \$100, you can get a home energy audit that uses special technology to find the tiny cracks in your house and will identify small fixes that can add up to big savings. Find out what your home needs and get cash incentives to help make it happen. Visit www.mihomeenergy.org. Can't afford \$100, a free program is also available for income qualified residents.

Visit www.mihomeenergy.org/air-sealing or call Sheila Vanfield 313.451.0380 for details

Sign up for a [BetterBuildings Home Energy Assessment](#) here!

View a BetterBuildings for Michigan home energy assessment! 

[Southeast Michigan Regional Energy Office](#)



[Michigan Suburbs Alliance](#)



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Utility Rebate Web Sites

Rebate programs are usually coordinated through your Utility Company. Rebate programs vary with different requirements, criteria for participation and deadlines that change frequently and are all based on a first come basis until available funds are distributed.

It is important that you check CURRENT information on the web sites below or call your Utility Company before you purchase energy saving products, install new efficiencies or hire a contractor to do weatherization work. Follow the step by step requirements and SAVE MONEY optimizing your energy use.

DTE Energy (1.800.477.4747)

Energy Savings Rebates for Homes

<http://www.dteenergy.com/residentialCustomers/saveEnergy/>

Consumers Energy (1.800.477.5050)

Energy Savings Rebates for Homes

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/eeprograms/Residential.aspx?id=4069>

Controlling your energy costs

<http://www.consumersenergy.com/content.aspx?id=1246>

SEMCOEnergy (1.800.624.2019)

Energy Efficiency and Rebate Programs

http://www.encyclopedia.com/?page_id=130

Sample DTE Energy Rebate Programs Follow:

Refrigerator recycling (freezers, air conditioners & dehumidifiers too)

Washing machines & programmable thermostats

Forced air tune up

Insulation and window replacement

Energy star furnace replacement

Energy air conditioner purchase

Energy efficient and tankless water heaters

House performance rebates for multiple efficiencies

DTE Energy old refrigerator recycling program

Recycle that old working refrigerator or freezer today and DTE Energy will mail you a check for \$40!



95% RECYCLED + \$40 REBATE + SAVE UP TO \$150 IN ENERGY COSTS = MORE MONEY IN YOUR POCKET!

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY | REBATE PLUS FREE PICK-UP! | EVEN MORE IF YOUR REFRIGERATOR IS REALLY OLD!

Get rid of the extra old working refrigerator by letting DTE Energy recycle it for you. DTE will **pick up your old working refrigerator and mail you a check for \$40!** DTE recycles 95% of that old refrigerator so it's good for the environment as well as your wallet. If you also have an **old working freezer** you want to get rid of, we will recycle that too and pay you **another \$40**. At the same time, we will also pick up your **old working room air conditioner and or dehumidifier which will qualify for a \$20 rebate** (must be picked up with a refrigerator or freezer).

[Schedule Now](#)

Or call DTE Energy at 866.796.0512

Product Rebates - Using high-efficiency products and appliances can translate directly into savings on your energy bill.

Apply for rebates on these energy efficient products:



[Clothes Washers](#)



[Programmable Thermostats](#)

Forced Air Furnace Tune-up Program

Get a Forced Air Furnace or Boiler Diagnostic Tune-Up and Receive a \$50 Rebate

Even the best equipment needs regular maintenance. Properly-maintained heating equipment runs more efficiently, lasts longer, and is safer for your family. **Receive a \$50 rebate when you complete a furnace or boiler tune-up through DTE Energy's Residential Diagnostic Tune-Up Program. It's As Easy As 1-2-3!**

1. Choose one of DTE Energy's participating HVAC contractors from the online list of [participating contractors](#).*
2. Have a diagnostic tune-up performed on your forced air furnace or boiler by a participating contractor.
3. Your participating contractor will submit a rebate application for you, and you will receive your rebate check in the mail in 6-8 weeks. For details on program eligibility, [click here](#).

The program will run from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. Rebates will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis and participants are encouraged to apply early, as program funds are limited. Your contractor must be approved prior to the service, and must submit the program documentation for you within 30 days of the service. Rebates are limited to one per gas-fired furnace or boiler that receives a diagnostic tune-up. **The tune-up service will:**

- Measure the gas manifold pressure, as proper manifold pressure is needed for the system to achieve maximum efficiency.
- Inspect the system's electrical components for wear, connectivity, and proper operation.
- Check temperature rise for gas furnaces or boilers, to ensure proper equipment operation and desired comfort levels.
- Inspect and verify proper size and operation of combustion venting (flue) systems.
- Perform combustion efficiency tests, before and after the maintenance service.
- Make sure all system controls are operating properly.

Each rebate application submitted to the program is evaluated and verified to ensure that the diagnostic tune-up meets the program's performance standards, which are based on the Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) HVAC Quality Maintenance Standard and industry-accepted best practices and standards.

Cash rebates for home insulation and window upgrades

Improving your home's energy efficiency by adding more insulation or replacing leaky windows pays off with DTE Energy's Insulation and Windows Rebate Program. You get cash back for upgrades that make your home more comfortable *and* more energy efficient. Then, save substantially on lower energy bills, all year long.

The following charts provide a guide. They are not a guarantee of rebate.

**Download the [PDF chart](#)* for full details on these rebate offers.

View [application and eligibility details](#).

Insulation	Rebate Amount	Required Initial R Value	Minimum Added R Value	Required Minimum Installed
Attic/Ceiling Insulation**	\$125	≤ R 24	R 19+	500 sq. ft
Above Grade Wall/ Kneewall Insulation	\$125	< R 5	R 10+	250 sq. ft.
Rim/Band Joist Insulation**	\$50	Not Sealed	R 10+ with Air Seal	100 Linear ft.
Basement Wall Insulation	\$50	R0	R 10+	200 sq. ft.
Crawlspace Wall Insulation**	\$50	R0	R 10+	100 sq. ft.
Floor Insulation**	\$50	R0	R 10+	100 sq. ft.

Windows	Rebate Amount	Required Rating
Window Replacement**	\$15 per window / \$30 per patio door unit or picture window > 30 sq. ft.	ENERGY STAR® for Northern Climate Zone (U-value ≤ .3)

Get the most value from your investment

[Insulation Guide](#)

[Sealing Leaks](#)

[Find a contractor](#)

You may save even more on your annual energy bills by completing an [energy audit](#) and making other improvements identified in your home's audit assessment.

Furnace Rebate Program

Saving money on new energy-efficient equipment has never been easier! Rebates are available for equipment installations on or after January 1, 2013.

Equipment Type	Rebate	Customer Eligibility
95% AFUE natural gas furnace	\$400	DTE Energy Natural Gas customers only
90% AFUE natural gas boiler	\$1000	DTE Energy Natural Gas customers only
ECM Motors	\$100	DTE Energy Electric Customers Only
Programmable Thermostat	\$10	DTE Energy Natural Gas customers only

Your HVAC contractor will be submitting your rebate request through our new online application system. If you self installed a programmable thermostat download the [rebate form](#). Take advantage of DTE Energy rebates by following these simple steps:

Confirm your eligibility - All DTE Energy Natural Gas residential customer account holders are eligible for a 95% AFUE furnace rebate, 90% AFUE boiler rebate and programmable thermostat rebate. All DTE Energy Electric residential customer account holders are eligible for an ECM Moto

Choose a participating contractor - Here is a list of [participating HVAC contractors](#)*. These contractors have been trained to submit the online application for you and they are required to pull a permit for installation with your government entity. If your contractor is not listed, they can receive training and user name and password by [e-mailing DTE Residential](#).

Select your new equipment - Your contractor will help you determine which HVAC equipment qualifies for rebates and properly size the equipment for maximum efficiency.

Install the equipment - Have your contractor install the equipment in your home.

Sign the rebate application - Simply provide the contractor with your DTE Energy Natural Gas account number and sign the terms and conditions form that your contractor will provide. Your contractor will submit the completed application online on your behalf. If you wish to receive updates about your rebate during processing, please give your e-mail address to the contractor so they can enter it on the online application form. All applications must be received within 30 days of installation.

Receive your rebate check - DTE Energy will process your completed application, and you will receive your rebate check within six to eight weeks.

Air Conditioner Rebate Program

Saving money on new energy-efficient air conditioning equipment has never been easier! Have a participating HVAC Contractor Install a 15 SEER or higher central air conditioner at your home and receive a rebate from DTE Energy.

Equipment Type	Rebate	Customer Eligibility
15 SEER Central Air Conditioner	\$150	DTE Energy Electric customers only
16+ SEER Central Air Conditioner	\$250	DTE Energy Electric customers only
Programmable Thermostat	\$10	DTE Energy Electric customers only

Your HVAC contractor will be submitting your rebate request through our new online application system. If you self installed a programmable thermostat download the rebate form. Take advantage of DTE Energy rebates by following these simple steps:

Confirm your eligibility - All DTE Energy Electric residential customer account holders are eligible for a 15 SEER or 16 SEER or higher central air conditioner rebate. Air conditioner systems must be a matched system and rated by the Air Conditioning Heating and Refrigeration Institute (AHRI).

Choose a participating contractor - Here is a list of [participating HVAC contractors](#)*. These contractors have been trained to submit the online application for you and they are required to pull a permit for installation with your government entity. If your contractor is not listed, they can receive training and user name and password by [e-mailing DTE Residential](#).

Select your new equipment - Your contractor will help you determine which HVAC equipment qualifies for rebates and properly size the equipment for maximum efficiency.

Install the equipment - Have your contractor install the equipment in your home.

Sign the rebate application - Simply provide the contractor with your DTE Energy Electric account number and sign the terms and conditions form that your contractor will provide. Your contractor will submit the completed application online on your behalf. If you wish to receive updates about your rebate during processing, please give your e-mail address to the contractor so they can enter it on the online application form. All applications must be received within 30 days of installation.

Receive your rebate check - DTE Energy will process your completed application, and you will receive your rebate check within six to eight weeks.

Water Heater Rebate Program

Saving money on new energy-efficient water heating equipment has never been easier! Rebates are available for equipment installations on or after January 1, 2012.

Equipment Type	Rebate	Customer Eligibility
Super High Efficiency Natural Gas Water Heater EF .67 or higher	\$75	DTE Energy Gas customers only
Tankless Natural Gas Water Heater EF .82 or higher	\$100	DTE Energy Gas customers only

Take advantage of DTE Energy rebates by following these simple steps:

- 1. Confirm your eligibility** - All DTE Energy residential gas customers are eligible for a water heating rebate.
- 2. Choose a participating contractor** - Here is a list of [participating contractors](#)*. These contractors have been trained to submit the online application for you and they are required to pull a permit for installation with your government entity. If your contractor is not listed, they can receive training and user name and password by [e-mailing DTE Residential](#).
- 3. Select your new equipment** - Your contractor will help you determine which equipment qualifies for rebates.
- 4. Install the equipment** - Have your contractor install the water heating equipment in your home.
- 5. Sign the rebate application** - Simply provide the contractor with your DTE Energy gas account number and sign the terms and conditions form that your contractor will provide. Your contractor will submit the completed application online on your behalf. If you wish to receive updates about your rebate during processing, please give your e-mail address to the contractor so they can enter it on the online application form. All applications must be received within 30 days of installation.
- 6. Receive your rebate check** - DTE Energy will process your completed application, and you will receive your rebate check within six to eight weeks.

Home Performance Program

Perform multiple improvements to receive bonus incentives based on the number of qualifying upgrades installed.

Whole house approach to energy efficiency

The Home Performance Program uses a whole house approach, beginning with a **comprehensive home energy** assessment, to determine how improvements throughout the home can work together to increase comfort and significantly reduce energy use. Higher and multiple rebates are offered for a variety of upgrades. That means you will save now on qualifying home improvements and continue to save through lower energy costs, up to 20 percent, for years to come.

Rebate categories include: air sealing, insulation, window replacement and heating and cooling equipment.

**Download the [PDF chart](#)* for full details on these rebate offers.

Multiple Measure Bonus	Rebate Amount	Required Conditions		
Silver	\$150	Perform 3 qualifying measures listed below		
Gold	\$200	Perform 4-6 qualifying measures listed below		
Platinum	\$300	Perform 7 or more qualifying measures listed below		
Certified Energy Audit				
Audit Rebate (Does not qualify for multiple measure bonus)	up to \$75	Must have previously received a rebate in Audit & Weatherization for initial certified audit before September 1, 2012		
Air Sealing				
Air Sealing 10% reduction**	\$75	Blower Door Pre-test	Post-test	
Air Sealing 20% reduction**	\$125	Blower Door Pre-test	Post-test	
Air Sealing 40% reduction**	\$150	Blower Door Pre-test	Post-test	
Insulation		Required Initial R	Minimum Added R	Required Minimum

		Value	Value	Installed
Attic/Ceiling Insulation**	\$250	≤ R 24	R 19+	500 sq. ft.
Above Grade Wall / Kneewall Insulation	\$250	< R 5	R 10+	250 sq. ft.
Band Joist Insulation**	\$100	Not Sealed	R 10+ with Air Seal	100 Linear ft.
Basement Wall Insulation	\$100	R 0	R 10+	200 sq. ft.
Crawlspace Wall Insulation**	\$100	R 0	R 10 +	100 sq. ft.
Floor Insulation**	\$100	R 0	R 10 +	100 sq. ft.
Windows	Rebate Amount		Required Rating	
Window Replacement**	\$30 per window/ \$60 per sliding glass door unit or picture window		EnergyStar® for Northern Climate Zone(U-value ≤ .30), opening size > 30 sq. ft.	
HVAC Equipment		Required Conditions		
Natural Gas Furnace	\$500	95% or higher AFUE AHRI Rated		
Natural Gas Boiler	\$1250	90% or higher AFUE AHRI Rated		
Furnace/Blower Tune- Up	\$75	Must be performed by a DTE Energy Participating Contractor who offers the qualified tune-up service		
ECM Blower Motor	\$125	Must be factory installed on new qualifying furnaces applied for under this program		

Getting Started

Step 1: Find a Certified Contractor

Choose one of our [Participating Contractors](#) specially trained in building science, with technicians certified by The Building Performance Institute or Residential Energy Services Network.

Step 2: Get a Certified Energy Audit

Your contractor will do a certified energy audit of your home that includes:

- Energy modeling to estimate the cost of recommended improvements
- A blower door test to locate air leakage and infiltration
- A combustion efficiency test for heating and cooling equipment
- A combustion safety test to detect carbon monoxide and gas leaks

The cost of a certified energy audit varies by contractor, so please contact one of our [Participating Contractors](#) nearest you to obtain pricing.

Step 3: Review the Findings and Recommendations

Based on your home assessment, your contractor will:

- Recommend improvements and advise on the associated costs and benefits
- Identify utility bill savings estimates
- Review expected payback information from the improvements

Step 4: Decide Which Energy Efficiency Improvements to Make

After you decide which upgrades to make, approve your contractor's work plan, sign the contract and customer participation agreement and keep a copy for your records.

Step 5: Approve Job Completion

Once you have approved the satisfactory completion of the work, your contractor will help you determine the rebates for which you qualify and submit the necessary paperwork to DTE Energy. Within 6-8 weeks, your rebate will be mailed to you.

Michigan Saves – Home Energy Loan Program



Easy. Affordable. Smart.

Michigan Saves is a nonprofit organization dedicated to making energy improvements easy and affordable. Michigan Saves was established as part of a grant from the MPSC and works with a network of partnering lenders to offer the [Michigan Saves Home Energy Loan Program](#). The loan program is designed to provide additional financing programs for commercial, institutional, and renewable energy projects. Michigan Saves provides lenders default support and maintains a network of authorized contractors that promote Michigan Saves loan programs to customers.

This program provides financing for all kinds of home energy efficiency improvements—from deep energy efficiency retrofits to quick replacements of old or failing equipment. Homeowners can either choose from a list of pre-qualified measures or get a home energy assessment. The program is available only through a Michigan Saves authorized contractor.

[Michigan Saves](#) is another way DTE Energy is helping customers save money and save energy.

Weatherization for Low Income Households

Energy Efficiency Assistance Program

If you're having trouble managing your energy bill, the Your Energy SavingsSM program offers assistance. We'll help you make improvements to your existing home at no cost if you meet the qualifications*.

The following services are available through approved weatherization agencies and subcontractors in your community:

- Installation of five compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs
- Replacement of inefficient refrigerators -- based on on-site testing -- with high efficiency ENERGY STAR refrigerators
- Installation of a high-efficiency variable speed motor when replacing a gas furnace
- Installation of insulation and infiltration improvements
- Replacement of inefficient equipment, such as furnaces, with high-efficiency equipment
- Installation of programmable thermostats - gas heating only
- Energy conservation and weatherization education

*To qualify for Energy Efficiency Assistance, you must be eligible for the [Department of Energy weatherization program](#) and your household income must be at or below 200% of the [federal poverty guidelines](#). For more information about this program, please call 866.796.0512.

How do I enroll?

To enroll in this program, please contact your **local** Community Action Agency. You may also phone the Michigan Community Action Agency Association at 517.321.7500 or visit them online at www.mcaaa.org.

MCAAA Agencies

Wayne County

Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency

Mr. Jeff Boyd, Weatherization Director
2121 Biddle Suite 102
Wyandotte, Michigan 48192
phone: (734) 246-2280 fax: (734) 246-2288
email: jboyd@waynemetro.org
website: www.waynemetro.org

Downriver Community Conference, (LPO)

Mr. James S. Perry, Executive Director
15100 Northline Road Southgate, MI 48195
phone: (734) 362-3472 fax: (734) 281-0265
e-mail: jim.perry@dccwf.org website: www.dccwf.org

Oakland County

Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency

Mr. Ron Borngesser, Executive Director, CEO
P.O. Box 430598
196 Cesar E. Chavez Pontiac, Michigan 48343-0598
phone: (248) 209-2603 fax: (248) 209-2606
e-mail: ronb@olhsa.org website: www.olhsa.org

Macomb County (3 locations)

Macomb County Community Services Agency

Mrs. Mary Solomon, Executive Director
VerKuilen Building 21885 Dunham Road Suite 10
Clinton Township, Michigan 48036-1030
phone: (586) 469-6999 fax: (586) 469-5530
e-mail: mccsa@macombcountymi.gov
website: www.macombcountymi.gov

North Action Center: 586-749-5146
58144 Gratiot New Haven, MI 48048

Central Action Center: 586-469-6964
16 Market Street Mount Clemens, MI 48043

South Action Center: 586-759-9150
22856 Ryan Road Warren, MI 48091

Energy Education & Advocacy

- 1. WARM Training Center**
- 2. Coalition to Keep Michigan Warm**
- 3. Michigan Interfaith Power & Light**
- 4. BetterBuildings for Michigan**
- 5. Michigan Suburbs Alliance & Southeast Michigan Regional Energy**
- 6. Michigan Community Action Agencies Associations**
- 7. The Warmth Project & Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit**



[WARM Training Center](http://www.warmtraining.org/wordpress/home/)

4835 Michigan Avenue, Detroit, MI 48210 (313) 894-1030 Main office and Energy Demonstration Center and other program location at 2701 Bagley St, Detroit, MI 48216 (313) 638-1487

Established in 1981, WARM Training Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization based in Detroit, Michigan. WARM's expertise is in energy efficiency, green building, and sustainability. WARM provides these services to residents, businesses, local governments, and professionals.

WARM's Mission - WARM Training Center promotes the development of resource efficient, affordable, healthy homes and communities through education, training, and technical assistance. WARM's services include: **education, technical assistance, green jobs training, and resources.**

MI Energy Demonstration Center - WARM is one of eight [Michigan Energy Demonstration Centers](#). WARM incorporates green building and sustainable practices into their building on Michigan Ave. Tour the office and see a working wind turbine, green building materials, daylights, recycled materials, and many other green demonstrations.



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Coalition to Keep Michigan Warm

<http://www.coalitiontokeepmichiganwarm.com/>

The Coalition to Keep Michigan Warm (Coalition) is a group of organizations including energy service providers, state governmental bodies, nonprofit energy assistance providers, and individual supporters with direct or indirect involvement in low income household energy issues.

Mission Statement

Together, the Coalition members seek to improve the availability of financial and human resources to meet the energy assistance needs of Michigan's low income households. The members perform this mission through exchange of information, developing new ideas, public education and advocacy.

Guiding Principles

The Coalition will encourage improvements in the effectiveness of state and administrative agency energy assistance delivery systems.

The Coalition will educate its membership and participants about issues impacting low-income energy customers, including an understanding of household needs and strategies to effectively address those needs.

The Coalition will encourage and support efforts to simplify and expand customer access to available assistance resources.

The Coalition will explore creative solutions to close the gap between what is affordable for a low-income customer to pay for energy and the actual bill.

The Coalition will engage in advocacy supporting adequate federal funding for the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and that Michigan continue to receive its fair share of the allocation among the states.

The Coalition will support continued funding for weatherization assistance.



Michigan Interfaith Power & Light

A Religious Response to Global Warming
...through energy conservation, energy efficiency, renewable energy
and education

Michigan Interfaith Power & Light <http://www.miipl.org/>

5072 Thorncroft Ave., Royal Oak, MI 48073

Phone (248) 808-2518

Phone (877) IPL-MICH (475-6424)

Mission: Michigan Interfaith Power & Light (Michigan IPL) is a coalition of congregations across the state whose mission is to involve communities of faith as stewards of the earth by promoting and implementing energy conservation, energy efficiency, renewable energy and related sustainable practices.

Historically, grassroots efforts originating in churches helped abolish slavery, win women's suffrage, and lead the Civil Rights movement. Today, Michigan IPL works statewide to gather and focus the immense grassroots power within Michigan's faith community to help them become leaders in the effort to create a more Earth conscious and sustainable present and future.

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Faith Organizations & Green Sermons



The Regeneration Project-National IPL We are an interfaith ministry devoted to deepening the connection between ecology and faith. Our goal is to help people of faith recognize and fulfill their responsibility for the stewardship of creation.

<http://www.theregenerationproject.org/>



BetterBuildings for Michigan

Michigan Suburbs Alliance

Southeast Michigan Regional Energy Office

Sheila L. Vanfield, Outreach Manager

22757 Woodward Avenue, Suite 250

Ferndale, MI 48220 866.402.1061x718 O 313.451.0380 C 866.402.1061 F

Most Michigan homeowners could save over \$250 per year on their energy bills with simple, inexpensive home improvements. For just \$100, you can get a home energy audit that uses special technology to find the tiny cracks in your house and will identify small fixes that can add up to big savings. Find out what your home needs and get cash incentives to help make it happen. Sign up for a [BetterBuildings Home Energy Assessment](http://www.mihomeenergy.org) here www.mihomeenergy.org. Can't afford \$100, a free program is also available for income qualified residents.

Frequently asked questions www.mihomeenergy.org/air-sealing or get more information on program eligibility call Sheila Vanfield for details.

Participating Cities:

Macomb County: Eastpointe, Mount Clemens, Roseville, Saint Clair Shores, Sterling Heights.

Oakland County: Farmington, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Madison Heights, Royal Oak, South Lyon.

Washtenaw County: entire county

Wayne County: City of Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Highland Park, Lincoln Park, River Rouge, Southgate, Wayne.



michigan suburbs alliance

[Michigan Suburbs Alliance](http://michigansuburbsalliance.org/)

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In June 2002, representatives from 14 metro Detroit suburbs unanimously agreed to form the **Michigan Suburbs Alliance**. Together, they sought to harness the power of southeast Michigan's 1.9 million inhabitants to demand an end to the systematic disinvestment in older cities. These mayors and city managers founded the Michigan Suburbs Alliance as a 501(c)(3) nonprofit coalition of southeast Michigan's mature suburbs. They understood that finding solutions to their shared problems would require cooperation among similar communities across the region.

The Suburbs Alliance has since grown to encompass 31 of the region's mature, inner-ring suburbs, representing more than 1,000,000 residents. With far-reaching partnerships and unexpected collaborations, the Suburbs Alliance facilitates local action that is shaped by the wisdom of many.



southeast michigan regional
energy office

[Southeast Michigan Regional Energy Office](http://regionalenergyoffice.org/)

<http://regionalenergyoffice.org/>



It's all about power! Green power to run our homes and business, and economic power to sustain our communities through efficiency and sustainable energy generation. Michigan is on the cusp of an energy revolution, and our region and laying the groundwork to keep our local governments on the forefront of policy and program development, ultimately showcasing southeast Michigan as a leader in the green economy.

In 2008 our founding partners--the Suburbs Alliance, [WARM Training Center](#), [SEMCOG](#) and the [Michigan Municipal League](#)--joined forces to create a regional entity that could aggregate our buying power for energy efficient products and renewable energy projects.



Michigan Community Action Agencies

517.321.7500 or visit them online at www.mcaaa.org.

MCAAA provides funding to CAAs who make payments towards client energy bills. For this program we utilize our network of CAAs. The partnerships that exist between CAAs, and state and local MDHS offices, and other community groups have resulted in better coordination of services, thus expanding the safety net that exists in the State of Michigan to include those who may not be eligible for state or county programs. CAAs work with other human service providers in their area as well as utility companies, deliverable fuel providers, and other assistance providers to maximize the services available to the low-income client.

In addition, many CAAs sponsor Walk for Warmth or similar fundraisers to raise money to help low income families pay for heat and electricity. Typically held during the colder parts of the year, Walk for Warmth fundraisers are a great way to involve community supporters, school groups, and others in a positive activity.

- Wayne County:** Wayne-Metropolitan Community Action Agency
Web: <http://www.waynemetro.org/gethelp.html>
Downriver Community Conference, (LPO)
Web: <http://www.dccwf.org/weather.php>
- Oakland County:** Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency
Web: <http://www.olhsa.org/oakland-county>
- Macomb County:** Macomb County Community Services Agency
Web: <http://www.macombcountymi.gov/MCCSA/centers.htm>



The Warmth Project An Energy Education Initiative of the Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit

The Religious Leaders Forum made a moral commitment to address the issues of warmth and shelter as well as literacy. **The Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit** established **The Warmth Project** to implement practical ways to make an impact on this critical community issue. The focus of the project is to help religious institutions and their outreach workers in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties to better serve those who come to them for warmth and energy related assistance.

The Warmth Project is focused on helping faith communities get the right information on energy related issues and to give them the tools to use the information in a more effective way. **The Warmth Project** is an energy related information resource for congregations, a conduit for action and an organizing vehicle for increasing participation and involvement in addressing this moral issue.



The **InterFaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit** is a faith-based civic organization made up of visionary religious and lay leaders of many faiths whose shared values compel them to work toward a community that lives together in harmony. Send us a message at detroit.interfaith.council@gmail.com.

Our goals:

- **BRING TOGETHER**, encourage and nurture interfaith groups and networks
- **SUPPORT CONCILIATION** between and among religious groups as well as the community at large through active conflict resolution
- **PROMOTE INTERFAITH EDUCATION** so that the metropolitan Detroit community can benefit from the synergies and creative benefits that knowledge and understanding can provide.

Share the Warmth

- 1. Networking Opportunities – Join Us**
Identifying & Promoting Existing Efforts
Expanding Local Linkages & Regional Collaboration
- 2. Collecting Data - Sharing & Receiving Info**
Information Survey, Tell Us what you're doing, Contact Us
- 3. Print, Receive & Distribute Materials**
Use the Warmth Project Web/Manual Resources and
Utility Brochures as tools to Educate/Assist Others
- 4. Participate in, Plan for and/or Schedule
Energy Education Workshops or Events**
- 5. Warming Centers and Week-long Shelters**
Warming Centers
Oakland and Macomb Shelter Participants

Networking Opportunities – Join Us

Identifying & Promoting Existing Efforts

Expanding Local Linkages & Regional Collaboration

Join The Warmth Project Steering Committee to:

- Expand the number of congregations willing to be involved in energy related issues within Wayne, Oakland and Macomb Counties of metropolitan Detroit.
- Identify existing efforts and promoting collaborative geographic links
- Provide an ongoing communication network among interfaith congregations on energy issues
- Provide updated energy related information, education and organizing resources to assist congregations become more effective in helping people be more energy self-sufficient

Interested in participating in four meetings a year?

JOIN the Steering Committee iflcwarmth@gmail.com

Collecting Data - Sharing & Receiving Info

Information Survey, Tell Us what you're doing, Contact Us

The Warmth Project – Information Survey

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One of our data collection efforts is asking congregations to complete the very short **Information Survey Form** below. Obtaining this information will help us catalogue interest, respond to your specific needs and lay the ground work for better information sharing and regional cooperation.

Congregation Name: _____

Faith Affiliation: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person: _____

Email: _____ **Phone:** _____

Check as many as apply

1. **Would like to get more information** **Issue importance (0-5)**
2. **Want to get an energy assistance reference manual**
3. **Will check out web site www.metrodetroitintrefaithwarmth.com.**
4. **Would publish energy related articles in congregational bulletins**
5. **Would distribute literature regarding low cost/no cost programs**
6. **Want to have an energy information booth at an upcoming event**
7. **Want to schedule an energy education workshop or presentation**
8. **Would participate in a regional workshop if notified**
9. **Currently involved with energy related issues**
 - a. **provide financial assistance or referral to pay energy bills**
 - b. **assist families facing home foreclosure or homeless people**
 - c. **Provide other social services (i.e. food pantry, clothing, counseling etc.)**
 - d. **staff assigned** **volunteer(s) involved**
10. **Aware of programs offered by other area congregations**
11. **Currently participate in interdenominational forums, inter- agency activities or multi-church association meetings**
12. **Interested in collaborative or networking efforts in my area**

Please return the completed form via email IFLCWarmth@gmail.com. Feel free to call as well: Michael Chateau, Energy Education Coordinator, at (313) 595-5219. Thanks for your interest in helping to address this critical community issue.

Talk to Us IFLCWarmth@gmail.com. **We Will Share**

Tell Us what your congregation is doing to assist people with energy related issues, utility bill payments, home foreclosure or dealing with homeless people?

Tell Us if you are you aware of programs offered by other congregations in your community. Who are they and what do they provide? Do you refer people to their programs or services?

Tell Us if your congregation participates in any interdenominational forums, inter-agency activities or multi-church association meetings that deal with coordination of community services. Who are they and when/where do they meet?

Tell Us if you be interested in being on **The Warmth Project** steering committee to plan how to get more congregations involved in energy related issues in the tri county area?

Share your contact information

via email IFLCWarmth@gmail.com.

**to receive ongoing updates and notices of
changing community resources**

Print, Receive & Distribute Materials

Use the Warmth Project Web/Manual Resources and Utility Brochures as tools to Educate/Assist Others

- Reprint anything on this web site for your use, publishing in your church bulletin or wider distribution to others at your discretion.
- Request and obtain multiple copies of Utility Payment Assistance Brochures for distribution to congregates or community at large. IFLCWarmth@gmail.com.
- Print a desk reference MANUAL for your administrator or outreach workers.

**Let Us Know How and When
You Use These Materials IFLCWarmth@gmail.com.**

Participate in, Plan, Schedule Energy Education Events

- If you want to be **NOTIFIED** of and **PARTICIPATE** in regional energy education events...
- If you want to **PLAN** an energy related event or workshop at your place of worship...
- If you want to **SCHEDULE** an energy information booth at one of your local events, an energy specific workshop or regional community-wide event...

**Let Us Know... IFLCWarmth@gmail.com.
Advance Notice Helps!**

Warming Centers

[Cass Community Social Services, Inc.](#) 3138832277

Detroit, MI 48206

[View Details](#)

[Rescue Mission Genesis II](#) 3134711097

Detroit, MI 48206

[View Details](#)

[Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries \(Oasis\)](#)

Highland Park, MI 48203

[View Details](#)

[Coffer Adult Foster Care Home](#) 313-320-2646

Detroit, MI 48206

[View Details](#)

[Judah Transitional & Recovery Houses](#) 313-658-8925

Detroit, MI 48204

[View Details](#)

[Derrick's Adult Foster Care](#) (313) 895-4405

Detroit, MI 48204

[View Details](#)

[Judah Transitional & Recovery House](#) 313-658-8925

Detroit, MI 48204

[View Details](#)

[Covenant House Michigan](#) (313)463-2000

Detroit, MI 48208

[View Details](#)

[Cass Community United Methodist Church Food Program](#)

(313)833-7730

Detroit, MI 48201

[View Details](#)

[Effective Alternative for Community Housing](#) 313-925-8922

Detroit, MI 48211

[View Details](#)

[DRMM Detroit Rescue Mission](#) (313)993-4700

Detroit, MI 48231

[View Details](#)

[NSO Tumaini Center](#) (313) 832-3100

Detroit, MI 48201

[View Details](#)

[**Detroit Rescue Mission**](#) (313) 993-4700

Detroit, MI 48231

[**View Details**](#)

[**COTS**](#) 313.831.3777

Detroit, MI 48201

[**View Details**](#)

[**Mariners Inn**](#) 313-962-9446

Detroit, MI 48201

[**View Details**](#)

[**Open Door Rescue Mission Ministries**](#) 313-579-1825

Detroit, MI 48207

[**View Details**](#)

[**Bethlehem House**](#) 313-923-6435

Detroit, MI 48213

[**View Details**](#)

[**Operation Get Down**](#) (313)921-9422

Detroit, MI 48213

[**View Details**](#)

[**Visions of the Sacred Capuchin Soup Kitchen**](#) (313)579-2100

Detroit, MI 48207

[**View Details**](#)

[**Eastside Emergency Center**](#) (313) 824-3060

Detroit, MI 48213

[**View Details**](#)

[**GENESIS ONE TRANSITIONAL YOUTH CENTER**](#) 313 459-4168

DETROIT, MI 48224

[**View Details**](#)

[**South Oakland Shelter \(SOS\)**](#) 248-546-6566

Royal Oak, MI 48067

[**View Details**](#)

[**East Eden Transitional Home**](#) (586)524-4780

Detroit, MI 48224

[**View Details**](#)

[**East Eden Transitional Home**](#) (586) 524-4780

Detroit, MI 48224

[**View Details**](#)

[**Judah Transitional & Recovery House, LLC**](#) 313-658-8925

Detroit, MI 48219

[**View Details**](#)

[Welcome Inn Day Center for the Homeless](#)

248-850-3219
Berkley, MI 48072

[View Details](#)

[South Oakland Shelter \(SOS\)](#)

(248) 809-3773
Lathrup Village, MI 48073

[View Details](#)

[Safe Haven Detroit](#) 313-347-5436

Livonia, MI 48150

[View Details](#)

[Counterpoint Crisis Shelter](#) 1-866-672-4357

Inkster, MI 48141

[View Details](#)

[Wayne County Family Center](#) 734-721-0590

Westland, MI 48174

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WEEK	CHURCH	ADDRESS	CITY	ZIP
11/25 - 12/1/12	ST. LOUIS CATHOLIC CHURCH	24415 CROCKER BLVD	CLINTON TWP	48036
12/2 - 12/8	CHRIST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	34385 GARFIELD	FRASER	48026
12/9 - 12/15	UTICA UNITED METHODIST	8650 CANAL ROAD	STERLING HTS	48314
12/16 - 12/22	WARREN WOODS BAPTIST CHURCH	14251 TWELVE MILE RD	WARREN	48088
12/23 - 12/29	CHRISTIAN TRINITY ASSEMBLY OF GOD	21770 KELLY RD	EASTPOINTE	48021
12/30/2012 - 1/5/2013	RENAISSANCE UNITY	11200 ELEVEN MILE RD	WARREN	48089
1/6 - 1/12	GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH	115 S. MAIN	MT CLEMENS	48043
1/13 - 1/19	ZION UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	85 MARKET ST	MT. CLEMENS	48043
1/20 - 1/26	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - MT. CLEMENS	168 CASS AVE AVENUE	MT CLEMENS	48043
1/27 - 2/2	FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH	59 SB GRATIOT	MT. CLEMENS	48043
2/3 - 2/9	ST. BLASE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY	12151 15 MILE RD	STERLING HTS	48312
2/10 - 2/16	ST. EDMUND CATHOLIC CHURCH	14025 TWELVE MILE RD	WARREN	48088
2/17 - 2/23	ST. MARTIN DE PORRES CATHOLIC COMM.	31515 HOOVER	WARREN	48093
2/24 - 3/2	ST. PAUL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST	31654 MOUND RD	WARREN	48092
3/3 - 3/9	LOVE LIFE FAMILY CHRISTIAN CENTER	17363 TOEPFER RD	EASTPOINTE	48021
3/10 - 3/16	FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH - WARREN	3000 TWELVE MILE RD	WARREN	48092
3/17 - 3/23	RENAISSANCE UNITY	11200 ELEVEN MILE RD	WARREN	48089
3/24 - 3/30	ST. CLAIR SHORES ASSEMBLY OF GOD	24905 MANHATTAN	ST. CLAIR SHORES	48080
3/31 - 4/6	CHURCH OF THE MASTER	30200 SCHOENHERR	WARREN	48088

**MCWC OFFICE: 586 321-0998
SHELTER HOURS: 8 P.M.
THROUGH 7 AM SUNDAY
THROUGH SATURDAY**

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Partner Congregations

Auburn Hills

Sacred Heart Parish
St. John Fisher Chapel

Berkley

First United Methodist of Berkley
Greenfield Presbyterian
Our Lady of LaSalette

Birmingham

First Baptist Church of Birmingham
First United Methodist of Birmingham
Our Shepherd Lutheran

Bloomfield/Bloomfield Hills/West Bloomfield

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church
Birmingham Unitarian
Christ Church Cranbrook
Congregational Church of Birmingham
Kirk In The Hills
Nativity Episcopal Church
St. Hugo of the Hills
St. Owen Parish
St. Regis Catholic Church
Temple Israel

Clawson

Clawson United Methodist Church
Heritage Church of Christ

Farmington Hills

Adat Shalom
Antioch Lutheran Church
First Presbyterian of Farmington Hills
Nardin Park United Methodist
Orchard United Methodist Church
Our Lady of Sorrows
St. Alexander Catholic Church

Ferndale

Drayton Ave. Presbyterian
Ferndale Free Methodist
First United Methodist of Ferndale
St. James Catholic
Zion Lutheran

Huntington Woods

Huntington Woods Lutheran

Oak Park

Congregation Beth Shalom

Orchard Lake

Orchard Lake Community Presbyterian

Rochester Hills – Rochester

Rochester Church of Christ
St. Irenaeus
St. Mary's of the Hills
St. Philip's Episcopal Church

Royal Oak

First Presbyterian Church
Royal Oak Church of Christ
St. John's Episcopal
St. Paul Lutheran Church

Southfield

Church of the Transfiguration
Congregation Shaarey Zedek
St. David's Episcopal
Hope United Methodist Church
First Baptist Church of Detroit

Troy

Big Beaver United Methodist Church
Central Woodward Christian Church
Congregation Shir Tikvah
First United Methodist of Troy
Kensington Church
St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
St. Stephen's Episcopal
Troy Church of Christ

Walled Lake

St. William Catholic Church