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Cooling counts: Five ways you can save money on summer energy bills

hen the weather heats up. take steps to keep cooling costs down. Here are five easy ways you can save energy and money this summer.

- 1. Reap rewards for saving electricity at certain peak-use times with Reduce Your UseSM Rewards. Enroll at sdge.com/ reduceuse for alerts by voice mail, email or text, and get automatic bill credits when you save enough power on Reduce Your Use Rewards days.
- 2. Get a free smart thermostat valued at \$300 when you sign up

for Reduce Your Use Rewards. Apply at sdge.com/thermostat. If you qualify, we'll install the thermostat and you'll be able to use your mobile device to adjust and monitor temperature settings on your central air conditioner.

- 3. View one-minute videos for quick tips on home cooling, weatherization and more at sdge.com/tip-videos.
- 4. Help your bill take a dip by using our no cost Water and Energy Savings Kit. The kit includes three faucet aerators, a low-flow showerhead and one LED night

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Understanding rate reform

The structure of electric rates is about to change for the first time in 14 years. Goals of this statewide process include greater fairness, transparency and ease of understanding. To get a better idea of what's involved in California's rate reform law and proposals to fix current imbalances, visit sdge.com/RateReform.

light. To request your kit, visit sdge.com/kit.

5. Request an in-home energy **survey** to help you save energy and money. Visit sdge.com/survey to learn more about this service. then call 1-800-411-7343 to schedule a free appointment.

Look for more summer energy solutions at sdge.com/summer.

These programs are funded by California utility customers and administered by SDG&E® under the auspices of the California Public Utilities Commission. Programs may be modified or terminated without prior notice and are provided to qualified customers on a first-come, first-served basis until program funds are no longer available. Eligibility requirements apply. SDG&E is not responsible for goods and services selected by customers. Customers who choose to participate in these programs are not obligated to purchase any additional goods or services offered by participating contractors.

There are lots of ways to help lower your energy use this summer and save some money while you're at it.



For more info, visit us anytime at **sdge.com**.

Energy savers can find deals on new e-marketplace

Finding deals on energy-saving products is easier than ever when you comparison-shop on our new online marketplace. Visit **sdgemarketplace.com** to browse a selection of washers, dryers, refrigerators, lighting, thermostats and surge protectors.

SDG&E Marketplace:

- Lists rebates, annual energy savings and prices at a glance.
- Provides product features in brief.
- Links directly to rebate applications.
- Compares prices at leading retailers.
- Connects you to the exact place on the retailer's site where you can complete your purchase and coordinate delivery.

Give **sdgemarketplace.com** a try when you'd like to simplify your buying decisions and take greater control of your energy use.



Ease into comfort, clean air and energy savings with rebates of up to \$3,000

When you're considering home improvements, it can pay to factor energy efficiency into your plans. Rebates of \$1,000 to \$3,000 are available through Energy Upgrade California® Home Upgrade when you choose a participating contractor to install eligible upgrades. Examples include duct sealing, wall and attic insulation, high-efficiency cooling systems and furnaces, windows, doors, cool roofs, lighting, appliances and other upgrades that enhance comfort, air quality and energy savings where you live.

"Easy from the beginning"

"Working with my contractor was very easy from the beginning. He was punctual, he was enthusiastic, and he did a quality job," said Shirley, a San Diego homeowner who's glad she participated. "I wished I'd done this when I first moved in."

Savings help cover upgrades

Scott, another homeowner who liked his results, said, "Almost all of the cost of the upgrades was covered either by the rebate or the energy savings we've had."

Learn more

You can hear Shirley, Scott and other local homeowners talk neighbor to



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neighbor about Energy Upgrade California in two short videos posted at *sdge.com/euc*. You'll also find information about how you can participate - or give us a call at 1-877-357-8241.

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