

CHECKLIST OF ENERGY EFFICIENT PRACTICES

TO KEEP WARM DURING THE WINTER AND TO MAKE SURE YOUR FURNACE OPERATES EFFICIENTLY:

- ✗ Put on extra layers of clothing.
- ✗ Keep furnace thermostat set at 68* degrees or lower during the day.
- ✗ Never use your oven or range to heat your home.

TO AVOID WASTING HOT WATER:

- ✗ Take short showers rather than baths.
- ✗ Use cold or warm water rather than hot water whenever possible.
- ✗ Set the hot water heater at 120* degrees or medium.
- ✗ Turn the gas hot water heater to pilot or the electric water heater to off whenever your home will be vacant for more than two days.
- ✗ Fill the sink with water then let the hot water run when washing dishes.
- ✗ Fix all leaky faucets.

TO SAVE ON THE COST OF COOKING:

- ✗ Don't preheat oven because ovens reach the right temperature quickly.
- ✗ Never open the oven door during the cooking process.
- ✗ Cover pots and pans when cooking. It helps keep heat in and allows food to cook faster.

TO KEEP COOL DURING THE SUMMER:

- ✗ Keep inside shades and draperies closed during the day to keep the sun out.
- ✗ Set air conditioner temperature at 78* degrees or medium.

TO SAVE MONEY EVERYDAY OF THE YEAR:

- ✗ Turn off all lights when not in use.
- ✗ If you leave a room for more than 5 min., turn off the lights.
- ✗ Don't leave the refrigerator door open any longer than absolutely necessary.
- ✗ Keep refrigerator defrosted so it will work more efficiently.
- ✗ Put full loads in washer and dryer, using cold water wash and rinse most of the time.
- ✗ When using a dishwasher, only wash full loads and let the dishes air-dry.
- ✗ Turn off appliances when not in use.