

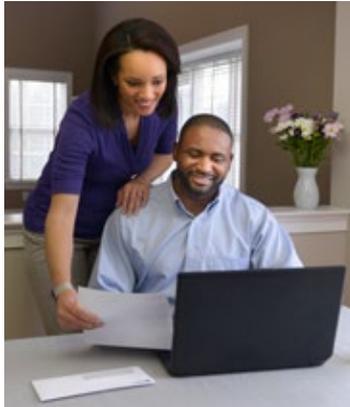
# LINES



"When pruning trees this fall or hanging holiday lights, carry all ladders and tall equipment parallel to the ground, making sure you are clear of any overhead lines." – Jim Base, safety and human performance manager

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## Prepare Now for Winter Bills



As cold weather approaches, you might be concerned about how higher monthly heating costs will affect your budget. We can help with flexible payment options and energy assistance programs that make it easier to manage your winter bills.

### Four ways to manage monthly costs

- 1. Budget Billing.** Avoid seasonal peaks by dividing payments evenly over the entire year. Because you'll know your regular payment amount, it will be easier to stay within your energy budget – even in the hottest or coldest months.
- 2. Special Payment Arrangements.** If you're having difficulty keeping your payment up-to-date, we offer individually tailored payment installment plans.
- 3. Extended Payment Date Plan.** If your main source of total household income is from government or other

low-income programs, you may qualify for a regular extension of your bill due date without a late charge.

- 4. Energy Assistance Programs.** Pepco customers have numerous options to apply for energy assistance.
  - The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides critical home heating and cooling assistance to qualified District of Columbia residents. Call the District Department of Energy and the Environment's (DOEE) hotline at 3-1-1 or visit the new DOEE web portal at [doee.dc.gov/liheap](http://doee.dc.gov/liheap) for more information.
  - The Residential Aid Discount (RAD) program provides assistance to residents qualified through DOEE. For more information or to apply, residents can call 3-1-1 or visit the new DOEE web portal at [doee.dc.gov/liheap](http://doee.dc.gov/liheap) and click on Utility Discount Program.
  - The Washington Area Fuel Fund (WAFF) helps qualified customers pay their heating bills. Customers can apply for this program by contacting the Salvation Army office at 202-332-5000 or 202-678-9771.

We understand that winter energy costs can be a challenge. If you're having difficulty making a payment, call us at 202-833-7500 or visit [pepco.com](http://pepco.com) for more information and energy-saving tips.

### News from Felecia Greer, customer advocate

## Sharing the Gift of Energy

Our Gift of Energy program is a thoughtful way to help your family members, friends or neighbors with their energy costs – and you don't have to wait until the holidays.

- Simply visit [pepco.com/gift](http://pepco.com/gift) or go to any Pepco walk-in customer service center
- Provide the name and address of your gift recipient
- Make a payment on that person's account and get a free greeting card you can share with them

Whether it's heating season or cooling season, a Gift of Energy is always appreciated.



**POWER OUT? CALL 1-877-PEPCO-62**

## Tools on My Account Can Help You Save this Winter

Winter is right around the corner and now's the time to check out the online energy management tools on My Account.

Here's a look at what you'll find on My Account:

- Current and projected bill information on "Bill to Date"
- Detailed energy use information you can customize – by hour, day, week, month or year
- Useful tools show you what time of day you are using the most energy
- Tips to help you save money and energy

If you're already a My Account user, take our energy-saving challenge. Log on and check your energy use from last winter. Then, set a goal to use less energy this season. You can set up reminders to view your energy use periodically, so you can keep tabs on your energy use in real time during the winter months.

Start saving today with My Account at [pepco.com/energytools](http://pepco.com/energytools).



### Your energy information on the go

With our Pepco mobile app, you can also access your personal energy use information on My Account through your smartphone or tablet.

Download our free app today at [pepco.com/mobileapp](http://pepco.com/mobileapp) or from your app store.

## Tips for Saving and Staying Warm



### Keep the Cold Out and the Warm In

Sealing air leaks found around outer walls, windows, doors, etc. and adding insulation can save you up to 10% on your annual heating bills.\*

- Install weather stripping on doors and caulk around windows
- Check your attic insulation level

### Heat Your Home Efficiently

A little basic maintenance on your heating system can result in big savings and better performance.

- Check your furnace's air filter once a month and, at a minimum, clean or replace it every three months

- Seal and insulate air ducts, especially those in your attic or crawlspace, to improve your HVAC system's efficiency by as much as 10%\*
- Consider a yearly professional tune-up of your HVAC system

### Program for Savings

Adding a programmable home thermostat makes it easy to dial down your energy use when you're away from home or sleeping.

- Set it up to match your schedule and save about \$180 a year\*
- Maximize savings without sacrificing comfort by setting your thermostat at 68°F during the day and 60°F at night, if health permits

For more tips, visit [energystar.gov/heating](http://energystar.gov/heating).

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