



WE WISH YOU A HAPPY

new year

2024

MAKE A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION TO SAVE MONEY

Implement these energy tips in 2024

Welcome to 2024, a fresh start for new beginnings and resolutions. This year, commit to saving money by implementing these simple energy conservation tips. As a bonus, you can significantly reduce your bill, while making a positive impact on the planet.

HEATING AND COOLING EFFICIENCY

- Conduct annual checkups of your cooling and heating system to ensure optimal operation.
- Regularly vacuum registers and vents to remove dust buildup.
- Monitor your electric usage effectively through OUC's Usage Dashboard.
- Adjust the direction of your ceiling fans with the season to enhance air circulation.
- Consider upgrading to a heat pump rated 15 SEER or higher to save on heating and cooling costs.



THERMOSTAT MANAGEMENT

- Set your thermostat at 78 degrees or higher when cooling and 68 degrees or lower when heating your home.
- Prevent fires and improve efficiency by cleaning your dryer vent regularly.
- Check your water heater temperature, ensuring it's no higher than 120 degrees.

WINDOW STRATEGIES

- Use shades, drapes or blinds to control the sun's impact on your home, depending on the season.
- Plant trees or move container plants in front of windows to aid with shading.

ROUTINE MAINTENANCE

- Replace old, inefficient incandescent lights with energy-efficient LED bulbs.
- Save energy by washing your clothes in cold water.
- Unplug electronics when not in use or invest in smart or programmable thermostats.
- Change your A/C filter monthly to maintain efficient airflow.



By adopting these easy-to-follow tips, you can contribute to a more cost-effective lifestyle, achieving your New Year's resolution to save money while also reducing your environmental footprint in 2024. Discover more tips by visiting [OUC.com/conservation](https://www.ouc.com/conservation).

STAY ON BUDGET IN THE NEW YEAR WITH OUC'S BUDGET BILLING

OUC's Budget Billing helps customers avoid unpredictable bills by spreading out payments over the year. This free service lets customers plan their monthly payments and keep their budgets balanced.

HOW IT WORKS:

Your monthly fixed amount is based on the average of your actual utility bills during the last 12 months, including electric, solid waste, waste water and taxes.* An additional percentage, at the discretion of OUC, will be added to the amount to prevent the deferred balance from growing too large.



For more information or to enroll in Budget Billing, visit OUC.com/residential/budget-billing.



OWN A CONTRACTING BUSINESS? UNLOCK NEW OPPORTUNITIES WITH OUC'S PREFERRED CONTRACTOR NETWORK

OUC is actively recruiting vendors to join the OUC Preferred Contractor Network (PCN). The PCN recognizes certified contractors who have agreed to follow our code of ethics, meet the contractor requirements, have been approved through our application process, educated on how to process OUC point-of-sale rebates and agree to consider cross-promotional opportunities. If you're the owner of a contracting business and wish to be considered for the PCN, visit OUC.com/PCN. Don't miss this opportunity to grow your business while contributing to a sustainable future. Apply today!

SAVE ENERGY AND CASH WITH A FREE IN-HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY AUDIT

Start the New Year with an assessment of your energy usage so you can keep your bill in check. OUC's FREE in-home energy efficiency audit will evaluate your home's energy efficiency and make suggestions on improvements that will help you save money.

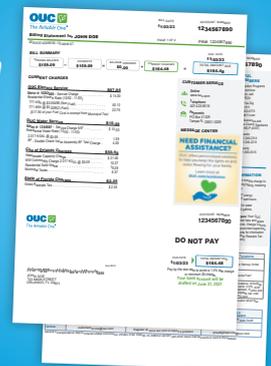


Get started from the comfort of your own home at OUC.com/energyaudit.

HOW TO READ YOUR BILL

Did you know your monthly OUC bill provides more than just payment information? It also contains useful data ranging from your personal usage history to money-saving tips.

To learn more, visit OUC.com/mybill.



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