

Save energy and money.

Below are some simple steps you can take to help save energy – and money – during the winter months. Visit nbutexas.com/conservation to use our online assessment tool or to schedule a FREE energy assessment.



Get a Little Help from the Sun

- Let the sun provide free heat by opening the curtains on any south-facing windows during daylight hours. At night, close the curtains to help keep the warm air inside your home.



Seal Up Your Windows

- Window caulking serves as a first line of defense against cold air. Inspect your windows and use silicone caulk to seal gaps.
- Heavy drapes or shades will help reduce the chill and catch any drafts.



Adjust the Thermostat

- Set your thermostat to as low a temperature as you can comfortably tolerate. 68 degrees is a good guideline during times at which occupants are at home and awake.
- Install a smart thermostat to automatically change the temperature based on time of day and occupancy.



Locate and Eliminate Leaks

- Cold air can invade your home through gaps or holes around plumbing, recessed lighting, chimneys, exhaust vents, and behind cupboards and closets. Locate any leaks and seal them.
- Caulk or weather strip gaps around doors and windows.



Adjust Your Water Heater

- The recommended temperature is 120 degrees.



Keep Your AC/Heating System Running Efficiently

- Replace the filters on furnaces or heat pumps once a month – or more often if necessary.



Make the Most of Your Fireplace

- Unless a fire is burning, keep the damper closed. An open damper can allow warm air from inside the house to escape out the chimney.

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