

RESIDENTIAL ENERGY SAVINGS INCOME QUALIFIED ASSISTANCE

Are your energy bills difficult to manage?

If so, assistance may be available. To determine if you are eligible for income-qualified energy assistance, take these steps.

STEP 1

Apply for the Energy Assistance Program

The Energy Assistance Program helps income-qualified households maintain affordable and continuous home energy. Services include bill payment assistance and energy crisis intervention. You'll also receive a referral to the weatherization assistance program. Both homeowners and renters are eligible.

Call the Community Action Partnership at **651-322-3500** or visit **capagency.org**.

STEP 2

Step 2: Schedule a visit from the Home Energy Squad®

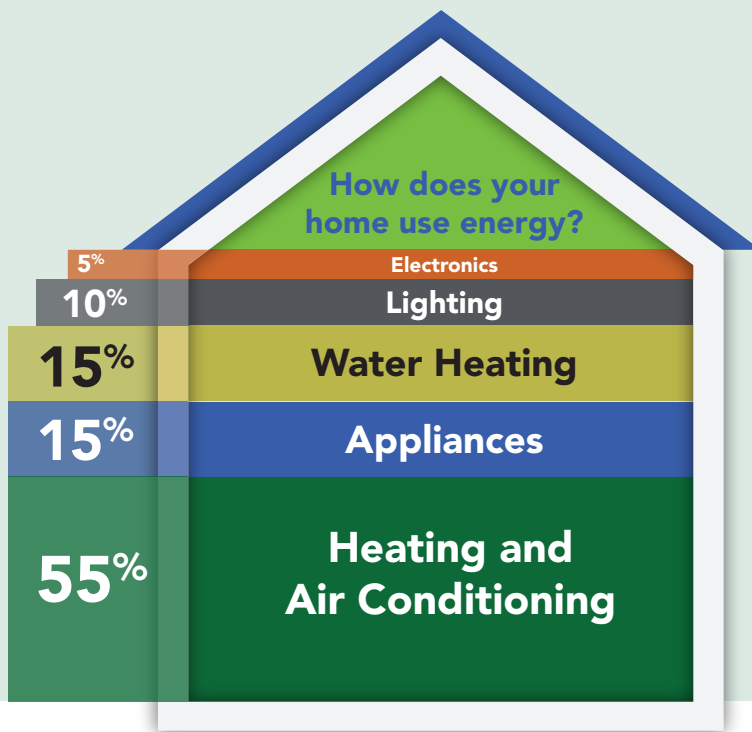
The Home Energy Squad® helps you learn about energy-saving opportunities in your home and installs materials on-the-spot. They can update drafty doors, an old thermostat, inefficient light bulbs, and more. Free assessments are available to income-qualified households. They will also determine if you qualify for free energy saving services through Xcel Energy's Home Energy Savings Program, including appliance replacement, free insulation and furnaces. Both homeowners and renters are eligible.

Schedule a visit at **xcelenergy.com/HomeEnergySquad** or call **651-328-6220**.

**Households must meet income qualifications set by program to be eligible.*



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Keep Saving!

- **Manage your thermostat:** Dialing back your home's temperature while you are away or asleep can help save energy. During these times, turn your thermostat back 7°F–10°F from its normal setting.
- **Unplug unused electronics:** Electronics like TVs, computers, and phone chargers still use electricity even when not in use. Unplug them or use a power strip you can turn off to avoid wasting energy.
- **Take a Lighting tour:** Replace traditional light bulbs with LED bulbs to save on lighting energy use. Think about which lights you use most often and replace those bulbs first!
- **Save on hot water:** Make sure to always wash with full loads of clothes and use cold water settings on your washing machine to save on hot water use.

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