



TAKE THE CHILL OUT OF YOUR WINTER ENERGY BILLS



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IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

POLICE (CALL 911 IN EMERGENCY):

NYS Police 845-344-5300
Orange County Sheriff 845-291-4033
Rockland County Sheriff 845-638-5400

ROCKLAND COUNTY OFFICES:

County Executive 845-638-5122
County Clerk 845-638-5070
Aging 845-364-2110
Community College 845-574-4000
Consumer Affairs 845-364-3901
District Attorney 845-638-5001
Health 845-364-2512
Mental Health 845-364-2275
Probation 845-638-5544
Social Services 845-364-3100
Veterans 845-638-5244
Youth 845-364-2929

ORANGE COUNTY OFFICES:

County Executive 845-291-2700
County Clerk 845-291-2690
Aging 845-615-3700
Community College 845-341-4030
Consumer Affairs 845-360-6700
District Attorney 845-291-2050
Employment and Training 845-615-3630
Health 845-291-2332
Mental Health 845-291-2600
Probation 845-291-4750
Social Services 845-291-4000
Veterans 845-291-2470
Youth 845-615-3620

SCHOOL DISTRICTS:

Eldred Central School 845-456-1100
Florida UFSD 845-651-3095
Greenwood Lake UFSD 845-782-8678
Minisink Valley Central Schools 845-355-5100
Monroe-Woodbury CSD 845-460-6200
North Rockland CSD 845-942-3000
Port Jervis City School District 845-858-3100
Suffern CSD 845-357-7783
Tuxedo UFSD 845-351-4799
Warwick Valley CSD 845-987-3000
East Ramapo CSD 845-577-6011



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**WITH WINTER UPON US,
ASSEMBLYMAN KARL
BRABENEC WANTS TO
HELP KEEP YOUR HOME
AND YOUR WALLET
WARM THIS SEASON.**

Whether you own or rent,
there are steps you can take
to control your energy use
and manage winter bills.



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CONTROL YOUR HEATING COSTS:

GOVERNMENT SPONSORED PROGRAMS

Contact your county's Department of Social Services or Office of Aging to learn about state and federal assistance programs.

COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICE PROGRAMS

Organizations like the American Red Cross, Salvation Army and United Way provide financial aid, counseling services and assistance with utility emergencies.

UTILITY SPONSORED PROGRAMS

Payment assistance programs are available through each of the major natural gas and electric utilities. Eligible, low-income customers can receive a discount on their monthly electric and/or gas bills. For more information, contact your utility company directly.

DEFERRED PAYMENT AGREEMENT

This plan assists customers who have fallen behind on bills and cannot pay in full. Your energy provider can work with you to pay outstanding bills over a period of time.

BUDGET BILLING

This allows customers to pay more balanced bills throughout the year to make more expensive heating months easier to handle.

WASTE BUSTING ENERGY TIPS:

- Install LED bulbs which last 25 times longer and use at least 75 percent less electricity than incandescent bulbs
- Close your fireplace flue when not using it
- Open your shades and drapes during the day to let the sun's warmth in and close them at night to keep cold air out

- Close vents in rooms not in use
- Insulate your attic, foundation space, hot water pipes and heating ducts
- Caulk cracks around windows and doors
- Lower your thermostat – for every degree you lower it, you could save 3 percent on your heating bills (use a programmable thermostat to save about \$200 a year)

YOUR ELECTRIC OR GAS UTILITY:

- Central Hudson Gas & Electric: 1-800-527-2714, www.centralhudson.com
- National Grid: 1-800-642-4272, www.nationalgridus.com
- New York State Electric & Gas: 1-800-572-1111, www.nyseg.com
- Orange & Rockland: 1-877-434-4100, www.oru.com

**NEW YORK STATE AGENCY
CONTACT INFORMATION:**

- NYS Department of Public Service Helpline: 1-800-342-3377
- Hotline: Electric-Gas Shutoffs: 1-800-342-3355
- Consumer Information: 1-888-AskPSC1, www.askpsc.com
- NYS Division of Consumer Protection: 1-800-697-1220, www.dos.ny.gov/consumerprotection
- NYS Energy Research & Development Authority: 1-877-697-1220, www.nyserda.ny.gov
- NYS Office for the Aging: 1-800-342-9871, www.aging.ny.gov

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS OR ANY OTHER STATE ISSUE,
PLEASE CONTACT MY DISTRICT OFFICE AT:**
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