



AABE Atlanta Celebrates Black Energy Awareness Month with Tips to Help Consumers Save Energy

- 1. Take advantage of the sun's heat.**
Open curtains during the day to allow sunlight to naturally heat and light your home. Be sure to close them at night to reduce the chill from cold windows.
- 2. Cover drafty windows.**
Use a heavy-duty, clear plastic sheet on the inside of your window frames during the cold winter months.
- 3. Adjust the temperature.**
Set your thermostat to 68 degrees. Add a programmable thermostat to automatically set your home temperature lower when you are away.
- 4. Seal window and door leaks.**
Seal the air leaks around doors and windows to prevent energy loss.
- 5. Maintain your heating systems**
Have your heating system serviced by a professional during the change of seasons.
- 6. Reduce heat loss from the fireplace**
Keep your fireplace damper closed unless a fire is burning.
- 7. Lower your water heating costs.**
Set your water heater temperature to 120°F.
- 8. Get an energy audit from a certified professional.**
Your electric utility company may provide a customized audit for your home and show you ways to save money and energy throughout your house. Ask your provider if you qualify.
- 9. Insulate floors, attics and attic stairs**
Make sure the warm air stays in and the cold air remains outside.
- 10. Use energy-efficient lighting**
Choose energy-saving LED or CFL lighting for your indoor and outdoor lighting needs.

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Every member of AABE Atlanta comes from a community, a company, or neighborhood. And that's why we actively seek opportunities to give back. Whether it's an energy efficiency seminar or a local energy-efficient lighting giveaway at your local hardware store, we are committed to share the benefits of energy efficiency in the communities where we live, work, and play.

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