SPRING INTO THESE SAVINGS TIPS



As the weather gets warmer, your energy usage may increase. Here are some simple steps to reduce usage and save at home.

SUNNY DAYS: On cooler days, open your blinds and drapes to enjoy natural light instead of overhead artificial lighting. When the weather is hot, close your blinds and drapes to keep the sun's rays from heating your home.

UNPLUG: When you're working, completing schoolwork, and staying in touch from home with the help of technology, it can be tough to unplug. Give yourself and your energy use a break by unplugging chargers, computers, and entertainment centers when they're not in use.

GET INSIGHTFUL: Even if you're using more, you can keep track of your energy use with your BGE online account. If you already have an account, take a few moments to familiarize yourself with the tools and personalized insights available. Don't have an online account? Get started at

BGE.COM/MyAccount.

Welcome Tanya Terrell, BGE's new Corporate Community Impact Director

Tanya Jones Terrell is BGE's director of Corporate Community Impact. Tanya leads BGE's workforce development and corporate relations initiatives in central Maryland with a keen focus on enhancing BGE's impact within the communities we service. Tanya and her team will ensure community partnerships share BGE's values for equity and inclusion, sustainability, and safety. To learn more about BGE company initiatives, visit BGE.COM/Giving and BGE.COM/Workforce.



BOATER SAFETY

National Safe Boating Week is scheduled each year as the first full week before Memorial Day weekend. Please remain safe this season with these helpful power line safety tips for boaters:

- 1 Be sure to avoid power lines when you are towing or storing your boat.
- 2 Before your trip, make sure you know exactly how much overhead space your boat requires.
- 3 Look up before you launch and use a spotter to make sure your boat clears any obstacles, including overhead power lines. Even on land, your boat can get caught in overhead power lines. Check the clearances listed on nautical charts as you approach any overhead power lines. Don't forget to add the extended height of any mast-mounted equipment or antennas.
- 4 Check the clearances before you raise or lower your mast.
- 5 Approach all overhead power lines with caution, and make sure flags and antennas are folded down.
- 6 Look for warning signs that indicate underwater electrical cables and never anchor your boat near them.





SAVE BY SWITCHING TO ELECTRIC

There are more electric car models on the road than ever before and they're more affordable than you may think! In addition to the up to \$11,500 you can get back in state and federal tax incentives when you buy a new electric vehicle (EV), BGE also offers rebates* and incentives to make owning an EV cost effective. BGE customers can even save money while they're charging at home if they switch to the Vehicle Charging Time of Use rate and charge their car at night or on weekends. Want to see if an EV is right for you? View the full list of available models along with their tax incentive amounts on our website. To learn more about how you can save energy and money by switching to an electric vehicle, visit BGE.COM/EVsmart today.

*\$300 charger rebate available while supplies last. A waitlist will be started for additional rebates.

Investing in our natural gas infrastructure

BGE is proactively replacing nearly 3,000 feet of natural gas main installed along the underside of the Severn River Bridge to improve service reliability for 6,000 customers around Annapolis. The 18-month project began last year and is expected to be completed in late 2021. BGE is constantly upgrading natural gas infrastructure to better serve customers, and to further ensure the system operates safely. At the Severn River Bridge, that work—75 feet above the water—posed unique challenges that required innovative solutions. Read the full story about this once-in-a-lifetime project at **BGENow.com**.

