

celebrating **HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH**

Join us as we celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15–October 15) and recognize the contributions that Hispanic Americans have had on our local and national history. BGE’s long-standing commitment to diversity and inclusion involves supporting the Latino community through philanthropic giving, volunteer programs and economic development. From diversity moments to cultural movement, we’re all in. To learn more visit [BGE.COM/diversity](https://www.bge.com/diversity).



BGE Energizing Small Business Grants

BGE has pledged \$15 million to assist Maryland’s small businesses with COVID-19 relief and recovery. Eligible businesses located in BGE’s service area can apply September 1–October 13 for BGE Energizing Small Business Grants of up to \$20,000. This grant program is part of BGE’s Comprehensive Customer Relief and Energy Infrastructure Investment Plan, designed to help the state’s economic recovery from the pandemic. To learn more and view previous grant winners, visit [BGE.HelloAlice.com](https://www.bge.com/helloalice).

ENERGY TO LEARN

Energy to Learn provides teachers, parents, and kindergarten through 5th grade students with free, easy-to-download educational activities focused on natural gas safety, electric safety, and energy efficiency. BGE created the program to supplement existing at-home and hybrid learning with activities that align with Maryland State STEM Standards of Practice. With the start of the new fall semester, we encourage teachers and parents to share these activities with their kids throughout the semester at a pace that works with their class schedule. Get started at [SafetyCentral.BGE.COM](https://www.safetycentral.bge.com).



Bill Payment Assistance

BGE offers payment options for customers who are having difficulty paying their bill.

- BGE has payment arrangement plans including Budget Billing (which spreads payments evenly out over a 12-month period) and individually tailored installment plans. Find an option that works for you at **BGE.COM/BillHelp**.
- Energy assistance programs are available through the Maryland Department of Human Services. Please note that eligibility for bill payment assistance is based on income from the last 30 days, so those experiencing recent financial hardship may qualify. Visit **dhs.maryland.gov/ohep** to learn more about these programs.

For more information about your BGE billing options, visit **BGE.COM/BillHelp**.



Behind on your energy bills?
WE CAN HELP | DON'T WAIT



WAYS TO SAVE

Start saving energy and money this fall. Just visit **BGE.COM/WaysToSave** for more details.

IN THIS BILL: Consumer Reference Guide

Enclosed in this month's bill you'll find the 2021-2022 Consumer Reference Guide. Keep this in your home or business as a handy way to find the BGE information you need.



Now you can receive text notifications when your bill is ready! You can even select your own alert preferences to make sure your notifications go where you want them to go. To get started, visit **BGE.COM/MyAccount** and add the phone number of your choice under the Notifications and Preferences section.

Reclaim your space and get a \$50 reward

Make some space and some cash when you schedule a recycling pick-up. We'll haul it away for you and even give you a \$50 reward! Plus, with our no-contact pickup option at no additional cost, recycling your old appliances is easy and safe. Recycle an old A/C unit or dehumidifier at the same time and get an extra \$25. To schedule a pickup, visit **BGESmartEnergy.com/SENRecycling** or call **866.898.1901**.

