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Join the thousands of New Jersey homeowners, businesses and municipalities that have taken advantage of incentives offered by *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*™. These programs provide opportunities for you to save energy, money and help protect our climate and shoreline.

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Check out the latest list of rebates and promotions.

## **CELEBRATE EARTH DAY 2018**

More than 1 billion people in 192 countries participate in Earth Day activities each year, making it the largest civic-focused day of action in the world. While Earth Day is celebrated on April 22nd each year, now is the perfect time to consider and organize how you can contribute!

Consider signing up for a local <u>New Jersey event</u>, including stream cleanup, green fairs and outdoor festivals to make it fun for the whole family! Or plan your own so others can join you!



This year, the <u>Earth Day Network</u> is hoping to collect a list of "<u>A Billion Acts of Green</u>," small actions conducted by individuals or groups to help improve and protect the planet. The Earth Day Network is encouraging everyone to take personal action for this worthwhile cause.

## **UTILITY REBATES + NJCEP = WIN**

Did you realize that several of the state's gas utilities offer rebates that can be combined with incentives from *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*? Some offer very attractive financing rates to make energy efficiency upgrades more affordable and/or free home energy assessments for their customers!

Since all offers vary slightly, it is best to visit your gas utility website directly to learn how to maximize your savings:

Elizabethtown Gas New Jersey Natural Gas 

## **NEW PILOT PROGRAMS ANNOUNCED**

You may already be aware that the <u>Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program</u> offers rebates and loans with the goal of making homes safer and more comfortable while reducing energy costs. The program recently launched two new pilot offers to New Jersey homeowners.

Under the first pilot, homeowners who have decided to move ahead with a Home Performance project can have their contractor install up to nine energy and/or water saving items at no cost. If you have already made the decision to invest in your home and make some upgrades to your equipment, these extra items will help you reduce your costs even further.



If you are not ready to jump into a comprehensive Home Performance project, but are still interested in addressing

cracks, gaps, holes or adding insulation, this second pilot is for you. It involves a contractor installing air sealing measures and/or insulation and the homeowner is eligible to receive a \$500 rebate for each. Addressing these types of issues will help keep your home cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter and reduce your energy bills!

Visit our website to find out how to get started with a participating contractor.

## **CLEAN ENERGY HIGHLIGHTS**

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (BPU) and its Clean Energy Program are pleased to share the following news. We hope these examples can provide you with "inspiration" on what you can do at your facility or building!

- The New Jersey SmartStart Buildings Program has received its 50,000th application! This program provides incentives to businesses and local governments for energy-efficient equipment. This significant milestone emphasizes the fact that whether renovating an existing establishment or starting from the ground up, we are here to help New Jersey reduce energy usage. Learn more.
- The BPU recently approved a \$609,828 grant for Meadows Landmark LLC to help pay for energy efficiency measures at its Rutherford office complex through the <u>Pay for</u> <u>Performance Program</u>. Proposed measures include the installation of LED lighting, high efficiency chillers and motors, variable frequency drive retrofits, and HVAC control and building automation system control improvements. <u>Learn more</u>.
- The BPU highlighted local entities who have recently completed energy audits through the <u>Local Government Energy Audit Program</u> and took the next step to install recommended equipment to help reduce their operating expenses. Clayton Public Schools of Gloucester County, the Delaware River Basin Commission in Ewing Township and the Foundation Academy Charter School in Trenton received a no-cost energy audit to help them take a closer look at their facilities in order to save on energy costs. Ready to get started in your municipality? <u>Learn more</u>.

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## We're Here to Help

About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP):

The NJCEP provides financial and other incentives to encourage customers of the State's electric and natural gas utilities to install energy efficiency (EE) or renewable energy (RE) technologies. Installation of EE and RE measures helps residential customers as well as businesses, local governments and schools reduce their electric and natural gas usage resulting in lower energy costs and reduced environmental impacts. Since 2001 New Jersey has invested more than \$3.3 billion in incentives provided to over 1.6 million customers that installed energy efficiency measures and over 80,000 customers that installed solar systems. Measures installed in the last year will save about 483,000 MWh per year reducing carbon dioxide emissions by over 290,000 metric tons a year. The program is authorized and overseen by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU), and its website is www.NJCleanEnergy.com

Call us at **866-NJSMART** (866-657-6278) for information on these and other energy-saving programs for your home or business.

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