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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

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MAKE YOUR HOME YOUR SAFE SPACE



For individuals whose allergy symptoms range from a trifecta of sneezes to a chorus of sounds, you know you need to find any escape from triggers that will set off your allergies. According to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, indoor air quality (IAQ) is a greater health hazard than outdoor air pollution. Ensure the air you breathe is clean and has been filtered properly, preventing the IAQ from deteriorating due to things like radon or mold and bacteria.

It takes a properly-installed ventilation system to make sure the air you breathe is truly up to par. A

thorough assessment is the best way to evaluate the air quality in your home and identify any ventilation issues. A Home Performance with ENERGY STAR ® contractor can assess your home using special diagnostic tools and software, and make recommendations specific to your needs. Plus, there are rebates and low-interest loans available to help you get the work done. Learn More

DON'T LET THIS SUMMER BE A BUMMER

As summer approaches do you know if your heating and cooling equipment is over 12 years old? If so, waiting until they break down may prove to be more costly and certainly inconvenient. If it has been awhile since your equipment has been tuned up, you should consider calling a contractor to test more than just your A/C unit. After all, you wouldn't neglect to take your beloved Chi-Chi to the vet just because she does not show signs of an internal struggle after eating balls of cat hair; would you?

Your A/C unit will continue to operate at its maximum efficiency for as long as you treat it with care:

- CHANGE: your air filter every 3 months; as the filter becomes clogged with trapped particles your system needs to work harder to force "clean" air through ---- wasting energy and costing you more.
- CLEAN: around the condenser unit (the part outside your home) to ensure that any landscaping is not growing too close. There should be a two-foot-no-grow zone around the unit.
- CALL: for a tune-up. Have a contractor provide an annual tune-up of your heating and cooling equipment before you begin using the system.



Spring is a perfect time to make some adjustments and find great offers on equipment like your central A/C unit. Your contractor can help you select an energy efficient model - and we can help with <u>rebates</u>, too! Your gas or electric company may offer additional rebates for heating equipment!

SPECIALS FOR THE MODERN COOK



For a sweet deal on a refrigerator, the best time to buy is the month of May. New refrigerator models hit stores in the summer, which means last year's models have to go.

Large appliances also tend to go on sale on holiday weekends. So be sure to check circulars, emails from retailers and e-commerce websites for Memorial Day sales.

For the deepest savings on your electric bill, consider buying a unit with the ENERGY STAR certification. To make those deals even better, NJCEP offers rebates up to \$75 on certain models. Plus, instead of moving that old unit to the basement, call us and we'll come pick it up

for FREE and recycle it for you! There is a \$50 recycling rebate available, so the savings will really add up!

PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and its Clean Energy Program are pleased to share the following news:

- Back by popular demand, New Jersey Natural Gas is hosting a <u>Lighting Fair</u> on May 31 from 4-6pm and June 1 from 10am-3pm. This free event is open to New Jersey residents only and offers ENERGY STAR-qualified LEDs, lighting fixtures and other energy-saving devices at specially reduced prices courtesy of *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program*.
- The NJBPU is now on Facebook and Twitter! Go Follow!

TOGETHER WE CAN

- Did you hear? Sustainable Jersey is hosting their annual New Jersey Sustainability Summit on June 21st, 8:30am - 4:30pm at The College of New Jersey. <u>Learn more!</u>
- Hey Lambertville! On <u>June 14th at 7:00pm</u>
 NJCEP will be at your South County Branch
 to share the benefits and advantages of
 energy efficiency and how you can receive
 rebates from the Clean Energy Program.
- Did you know the first week in May is Air
 Quality Awareness week in New Jersey? As
 warmer temperatures arrive, smog plays a
 persistent and problematic role in
 contaminating our outdoor air. Be air aware and know your local air quality!



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We're Here to Help

About the New Jersey Clean Energy Program (NJCEP):

Provides financial and other incentives to the State's residential customers, businesses, local governments and schools that install high-efficiency or renewable energy technologies, thereby reducing energy usage, lowering customers' energy bills and reducing environmental impacts. In totality over the last fifteen years, New Jersey has invested more than \$3.1 billion in approximately 1.5 million energy saving projects that have reduced electric use by approximately 10% - enough energy savings compounded over 15 years to power about 3.1 million homes. 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.





