

Some things YOU can do to conserve energy in your home:

1. Replace incandescent light bulbs with compact fluorescent lamps
2. Start a regular maintenance program on all heating and cooling systems. Change filters every quarter.
3. Seal gaps and holes in ductwork using sealant (duct tape is not a long term solution).
4. Install a programmable thermostat to minimize heating and cooling the house when no one is home.
5. In the attic, seal around wiring penetrations, plumbing vents, and duct work penetrations. Add additional insulation.
6. In a crawl space, install a vapor barrier, seal foundation vents and install fiberglass insulation in the footing.
7. In an unfinished basement, seal around all wiring and plumbing penetrations to the exterior. Install fiberglass insulation or foam board between the footing and the floor level in the rim joist.

More Tips:

- Hold a ribbon or a feather by your windows and doors to check for drafts. If air is coming in, it's going out too!
- Vacuum the coils on your refrigerator. If they are dirty it costs more to run.
- Wash only full loads of clothes. Clean the lint trap on your dryer after each load. Run one load after the other, this will use less energy because the dryer is already hot. Turn it OFF as soon as the clothes are dry.

Excerpt from www.supercheapelectricity.com

Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs (CFL's) create mostly light and give off only a little bit of heat. They use 70% less electricity than regular light bulbs, since most of the electricity put into them is used to make light, not heat.

Benefits of CFL's:

- Use 70% less energy than regular light bulbs
- Last about ten times longer than regular light bulbs
- Produce similar light as regular bulbs
- Don't generate large amounts of heat

And there is more!

Since CFL's run cooler than old style bulbs, you'll spend less money to cool your home or office. But don't think this means you should use regular bulbs in winter; sure they heat, but they do so inefficiently. When you need to heat your home, light bulbs are the most wasteful way to do it. CFL's are best no matter what the season.

Excerpt from www.michaelbluejay.com

Don't be the biggest User

City of Wellington . Take Charge Challenge . April 2009 - April 2010



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of the Land Institute,
and Kansas Power Pool

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The **Take Charge Challenge** is a friendly competition between six Kansas communities to reduce their energy use and save money. *The City of Wellington*

has been selected as one of the **Take Charge Challenge** communities.

PLEASE HELP WELLINGTON WIN

our choice of solar panels for a city building or a "Wind for Schools" wind turbine installation.

SAVE ENERGY AND HELP LOWER YOUR MONTHLY BILL



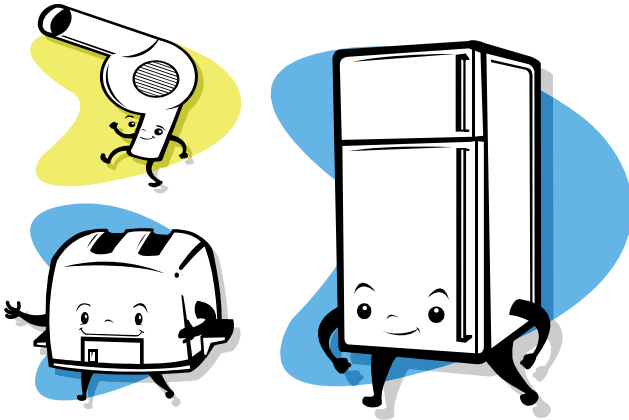
Pick up your **FREE** compact fluorescent light bulb at the *City of Wellington Utility Office* after April 25th!

QUESTIONS? Call the *City of Wellington City Clerk's Office* at 620-326-2811 or visit our website, www.cityofwellington.net

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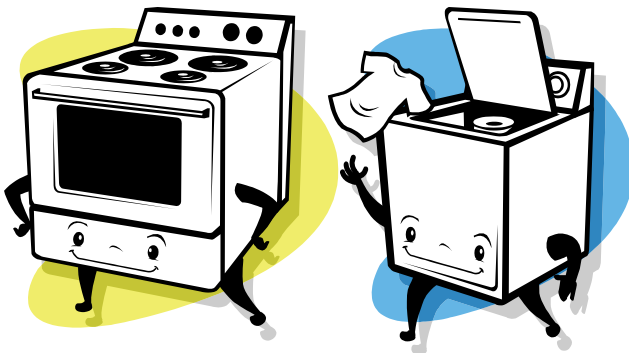
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Kill A Watt™ Electricity Usage Monitor

No charge to customers who want to use the monitor for up to one month. Simply plug an appliance into the Kill A Watt™ to monitor the electric usage.

Monitors may be checked out at the City Administration Building. Call 620-326-2821 for additional information.



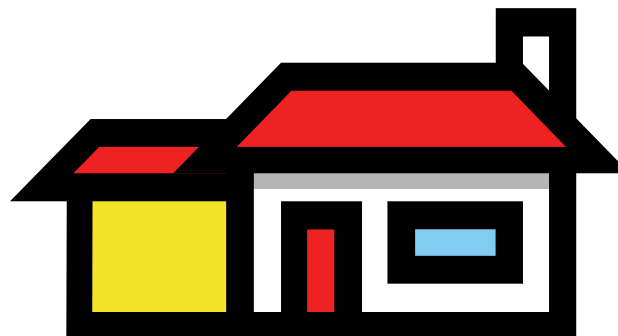
FREE Home Energy Audit

Call
620-326-7211
or email

dalemiller@cityofwellington.net
cliffzens@cityofwellington.net

Do you own your home?
Is it at least 10 years
old?

The City of Wellington offers FREE Home Energy Audits to customers who own their own home. We will schedule a time for a crew to come to your home and collect the necessary information. You will receive a report on the time of return for dollars invested in weatherproofing or insulating your home. Audits will be scheduled as time allows.



WEATHERIZATION

is a grant program paid for 100%
by the United States Government.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Household Size	Maximum Income
1 person	\$21,184
2 persons	\$27,702
3 persons	\$34,220
4 persons	\$40,738
5 persons	\$47,256
6 persons	\$53,774
7 persons	\$54,996
8 persons	\$56,218

KANSAS WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM,
provided by SCKEDD to Sumner County Households.
Call 1-800-658-1742 or visit www.sckedd.org

These are the things Weatherization pays for:
attic insulation, wall insulation, crawl space insulation,
repair of broken windows, install new weather-stripping
on doors, repair small holes in walls and ceilings, install
compact fluorescent lamps in place of incandescent
light bulbs, *replace or repair furnaces* (no charge to
homeowners, renters receive up to \$250 towards
furnace cost/landlord pays remaining costs)

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