



TIDINGS

DECEMBER 2018

IN THIS ISSUE:

Energy Myths

*Tips to Save
This Winter*

Save with Rebates

Community Happenings

BEACHES | ENERGY
S E R V I C E S

www.beachesenergy.com

ENERGY MYTHS

Many energy-saving tips have worked their way into common knowledge. But are all true?

Myth 1: Setting the thermostat temperature to a higher degree heats the home faster.

AC units work at the same speed, no matter the temperature. Setting the temperature to a higher degree will only make the system work for a longer period of time, using more energy.

Myth 2: Fluorescent bulbs are efficient.

While fluorescent bulbs are more efficient than incandescent, they use more energy than LED bulbs.

Myth 3: You can save water by washing your dishes by hand.

Since modern dishwashers have energy-efficient settings, handwashing dishes actually uses more hot water. If you do wash dishes by hand, fill one sink with hot, soapy water instead of running the faucet.

Myth 4: Keep ceiling fans on to cool a room.

Leaving the fan on may seem like an energy-saving tip, but it does not cool a room. Fans cool people, not rooms. Be sure to turn them off when leaving a room.

TIPS TO SAVE ENERGY THIS WINTER



Set your thermostat to 68 degrees. When you leave, lower it by two degrees for additional savings.



Use LED holiday lights to reduce the cost of decorating for the holidays.



Invest in insulation. Use weather stripping for doors and windows – it's cheap and easy to apply.



Change your HVAC filters every month. This will help your unit run more efficiently and keep the air cleaner.

SAVE WITH REBATES!

Beaches Energy offers up to \$1,800 in energy-saving rebates for the following residential energy-efficient improvements. Just complete and submit the forms available at www.beachesenergy.com/my-account/rebates.

Qualified Products or Improvements	Maximum Rebate Amount
A/C Heat Pump SEER 14	\$100
A/C Heat Pump SEER 15 or higher	\$300
Heat Pump Water Heater	\$500
Insulation Upgrade	\$300
Window Film / Solar Screen	\$100
Solar Water Heater	\$500

COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS

Don't miss Deck the Chairs, an annual lighted display of decorated Jacksonville Beaches lifeguard chairs — Now through January 1. Info at www.deckthechairs.org.



ELECTRIC PRICE FOR 1,000 KILOWATT-HOURS

	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
Base charge, residential	\$4.50	\$4.50
KWH base charge	\$79.57	\$79.57
Power Cost Adjustment	\$29.84	\$29.84
Total	\$113.91	\$113.91