

Everyone in Springfield Can Take Climate Action

See how you can save money and
protect our environment.

Springfield is experiencing the effects of climate change first-hand. Let's work together and make positive change.

Take Action Outside



Whether you have a yard or a sidewalk strip, you can use your outdoor space to reduce carbon emissions. You can get support through programs like:

- **Gardening The Community:** is a food justice organization engaged in youth development, urban agriculture, and sustainable living. Gardening the Community operates on three sites in Springfield and runs a farm stand.
- **Regreen Springfield:** a volunteer group assisting Springfield's reforestation efforts.
- **Greening the Gateway Cities Springfield:** a program that provides people and businesses in McNight-Hill neighborhoods with free trees for their property.

Join Us

Many organizations in the Springfield area are working to address the effects of climate change. Check out the organizations below to find additional resources and volunteering opportunities:



Springfield Climate Justice Coalition



Scan the QR code to view a digital version of this brochure with web links to available resources and programs.





Get a **No-Cost** Home Energy Assessment

Reducing your home energy use can save you hundreds of dollars per year, make your home more comfortable, and reduce your impact on the climate.

Ener-G-Save offers no-cost Home Energy Assessments for homeowners and renters in partnership with **Mass Save**. During an assessment, you will learn about energy-saving opportunities that may include upgrades to air sealing and insulation, heating and cooling equipment.

You may be eligible to receive energy and water saving devices, including:

- Programmable thermostats
- LED light bulbs
- High-efficiency shower heads and faucet aerators
- Advanced power strips

You may also access available incentives, including:

- **100% off** approved insulation improvements.
- **No-cost** targeted air sealing.

Let's get started!

Call Ener-G-Save's Energy Advocate at **413-282-8050** to schedule a No-Cost Home Energy Assessment.

Weatherize Your Home

How to weatherize your home yourself:

Sealing air leaks and adding insulation to your home is one of the simplest and most affordable ways to reduce your energy bill and keep your home comfortable year-round. Whether you're a renter or own your home, here are some simple ways to save energy at home:

- Use weatherproofing strips, insulation kits, or caulking to seal air leaks.
- Add thermal curtains to your windows to contain heat in your home during winter months.
- Install a draft stopper on your door to keep warm or cool air from escaping your home.

How to get assistance with weatherizing your home:

All Springfield residential customers in 1-4 family homes may be eligible for incentives for weatherization, pre-weatherization barrier mitigation (including knob & tube wiring and vermiculite removal), and heat pumps as shown in the Table. If you are a low-income customer, contact the LEAN Statewide Client Services Center at **833-888-1326**. If you are not a low-income customer, call **866-527-SAVE** or contact **Ener-G-Save**.

2024 Springfield Residential 1-4 Unit Offer

	Weatherization	Pre-weatherization	Heat Pumps ¹
Income Eligible (up to 60% SMI ²)	100% <i>(income verify)</i>	100% <i>(income verify)</i>	100% <i>(income verify)</i>
Moderate Income (61-80% AMI ³)	100% <i>(self certify)</i>	Up to \$7,000 <i>(income verify)</i>	Up to \$16,000 <i>(\$25,000 if ground source) (income verify)</i>
Market Rate	75% 100% for rental units in 1-4 unit homes 100% "whole building" for 2-4 unit homes	\$250 + HEAT Loan \$5,000 per unit for rental units	\$10,000 whole home \$2,000 per condenser

1. Electrification for homes on oil and propane will assist in lower energy costs. It is not recommended for natural gas customers.
2. SMI = State Median Income
3. AMI = Area Median Income

Need help with your energy bills?

- **The Sponsors of Mass Save** provide energy efficiency services. Your utility company can offer financial assistance for income-eligible homeowners and renters.
- **The Massachusetts Good Neighbor Energy Fund** is available to any Massachusetts resident who, because of temporary financial difficulty, cannot meet a month's energy expense and is not eligible for state or federal energy assistance.
- **Springfield Partners for Community Action's Emergency Fuel Program** helps Hampden County homeowners and renters who don't qualify for fuel assistance vouchers, but are still struggling to pay their heating bills.
Call (413) 263-6500 and choose option 8 for assistance.

Mass.gov/ClimateAction

