

SMUD News Release

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Join SMUD's Peak Corps program to save money

Free DVD on energy savings for new sign-ups

Helping stabilize the electric system during power emergencies earns SMUD customers a discount on their electricity bills and a free DVD. Customers who join the Peak Corps will receive "The High Bill Caper," a DVD guide for homeowners to help them cut energy waste and become more energy-efficient.

Peak Corps is a voluntary program designed to help maintain the stability of the electrical system in emergencies by reducing the energy demand or "load," on the hottest summer days between June 1 and September 30.

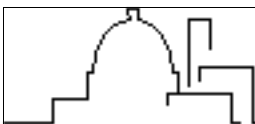
Program volunteers allow SMUD to attach "cycling" devices to their central air conditioning unit that cycle off the unit via radio signal during an energy emergency to reduce electrical load.

Residential SMUD customers with a central air conditioner or heat pump that qualify for the program can choose from three options. The higher the option selected, the more savings available (*see options below*). By helping SMUD do more to keep the power on, Peak Corps customers can get up to \$20 in savings on their summer electric bills, and more if they are cycled.

Renters must first gain the approval of their property manager. Customers operating a child or convalescent care business in their home are not eligible for this program.

For a special occasion such as a wedding or other summer event, volunteers in the program will be removed from the program for one day without losing their savings. They only need to provide notice to SMUD 48 hours in advance of the day of the event.

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For more information about SMUD or to sign up for the program call SMUD at

1-888-742-SMUD or visit smud.org.

Option Comparison	Option One	Option Two	Option Three
Monthly savings (June 1 thru September 30)	\$2.50 a month/\$10 per season	\$3.75 a month/\$15 per season	\$5.00 a month/\$20 per season
Savings per cycling day	\$1.00 per day	\$2.00 per day	\$3.00 per day
Cycling time per hour	0 to 27 minutes	0 to 39 minutes	0 to 60 minutes

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