

Connections

Our monthly newsletter for residential customers



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Powering forward. Together.



Powering clean energy for a sustainable future

For over 70 years, we've been an environmental leader in Sacramento and across the nation. We're committed to providing our customers and community clean energy, and we're making investments in carbon-reducing technology, programs and services.

We're developing all-electric homes and businesses in our region while supporting energy efficiency and the electrification of buildings and transportation to improve the air quality in our service area. We're doing all this by including more renewable sources like wind, solar, battery storage and hydroelectric to our energy mix.

SMUD's energy is about 50% carbon-free, on-average, and we're on track to be 100% net-zero-carbon by 2040, ahead of California's goal of 2045.

Learn more about SMUD's environmental leadership at [smud.org/CleanEnergy](https://www.smud.org/CleanEnergy). •

Drive safe, your life depends on it

We want to help keep our community safe in and outside of the home, including on the road. We continue to see a large number of car crashes with our equipment. That's why we're working hard to spread the word about safe driving.

On average, a crash into our equipment happens about every other day in the Sacramento area. Each accident causes costly repairs and often widespread power outages for thousands of customers. Worst of all, it can result in the loss of a life.

Often, it's distracted driving that leads to these accidents. We don't want to see anyone get hurt. Make safety your top priority when driving, especially during this time of year with winter weather and slick roads. Stay alert and drive safe.

Learn more, including safe driving tips, at [smud.org/DriveSafe](https://www.smud.org/DriveSafe). •

Life is priceless

Please drive safely.



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A New Year's resolution for you? Recycle your old fridge and get \$50

It's a new year—the perfect time to find new ways to save money and energy. Your old, inefficient fridge or freezer can be one of the biggest energy hogs in your home. Now's the time to recycle it with SMUD for savings on your monthly bill all year long. We'll pick it up for FREE and you'll get a \$50 rebate. Learn more at smud.org/Recycling.

\$50*
**RECYCLE
REBATE**
* For a limited time



Changing lives with STEM education

engineering and mathematics (STEM).

Our Sustainable Communities Initiative partnered with the University of the Pacific to launch the Reach for the Stars Academy in Oak Park. Co-founded by former NASA astronaut and University alumnus Jose Hernandez, the Academy is designed for 7th grade students from underserved neighborhoods interested in science, technology,

SMUD funded the Academy, helped develop the STEM curriculum and provided mentors and speakers.

To learn more about Sustainable Communities, and see some of our other partnerships at work, visit smud.org/SustainableCommunities.

Free classes

SMUD regularly holds a variety of educational classes at the SMUD Customer Service Center in the Rubicon Room, 6301 S. St., Sacramento. Registration is required. Visit smud.org/Learn or call **916-732-6738** to register.

Is Solar Right for You?

Thursday, February 27, 2020 | 6 – 8 p.m.

This workshop will give you expert advice on whether making the switch to solar is right for you.

SMUD Board of Directors

Your elected Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. The first meeting of each quarter is held at 9 a.m. Meetings are streamed live and archived on smud.org. Meeting location: SMUD Customer Service Center, Rubicon Room, 6301 S St., Sacramento. Times and locations subject to change. For information and agendas, visit smud.org/Board, or call the SMUD Board Office at 916-732-6155.

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Ward 2 Nancy Bui-Thompson • Vice President
Ward 3 Gregg Fishman
Ward 4 Rosanna Herber
Ward 5 Rob Kerth • President
Ward 6 Dave Tamayo
Ward 7 Heidi Sanborn

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