

# Connections

Our monthly newsletter for residential customers



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Powering forward. Together.

## Easy ways to save energy and money

There's something for everyone at [SMUDEnergyStore.com](https://www.smuenergy.com) with instant savings on dozens of clean power products. Shop with us for the best energy products and exclusive rebates.

Here are a few easy ways to save:

- Save **\$50** on any **smart thermostat**.
- Get a **\$10** instant rebate and stop paying for energy you're not using with a smart **power strip** that knows when to turn off idle devices.
- Save up to **\$75** per year by replacing just 5 of your most used **light bulbs** with LEDs.

### Did you know?

Chargers continue to use power as long as they're plugged in. Unplug your phone and other electronics when the battery reaches full charge to help prevent unnecessary power drain.

Save money. Save the planet. Visit [CleanPowerCity.org](https://www.CleanPowerCity.org). •



## Help the environment — enroll in Paperless Billing

Paperless Billing is an easy way to join us in reaching a zero carbon future by reducing paper waste. It's fast, secure and easy! You can view, pay and track your energy bill all online Plus, your printable bill is always available at My Account. Sign up at [smud.org/MyAccount](https://www.smu.org/MyAccount). •



## Clean power my city

We're committed to providing 100% zero carbon energy by 2030. Here's how you can help us lead a global Clean PowerCity<sup>SM</sup> movement, right here at home.

1. Eat and shop local to reduce transportation emissions.
2. Volunteer for cleanups in your community. A cleaner community is a healthier and more beautiful community.
3. Avoid products with excessive plastic packaging. You'll help lower carbon emissions from producing, transporting and disposing of the plastic.

Learn more clean power tips at [CleanPowerCity.org](https://www.CleanPowerCity.org). •

## Just a few dollars can help a family in financial crisis



As many families in our community struggle to pay their bills and put food on the table, you can bring some relief and hope to those in need.

Your donation can help local families keep the lights on through our EnergyHELP program.\*

Donate now at [smud.org/EnergyHELP](https://smud.org/EnergyHELP). •

\* Through EnergyHELP, 100% of your tax-deductible contribution goes directly to the charity partner of your choice.

## Free and fun workshops for you

Our Community Education & Technology Center offers free online classes taught by energy experts to give you all the information you need to be energy-efficient, save money and make informed decisions. All classes are free and will remain virtual, but registration is required.

Learn more at [smud.org/Learn](https://smud.org/Learn).

### Is battery storage right for you? | Wednesday, June 21 | Noon – 1 p.m.

Is buying a residential battery storage system cost effective? Will it provide back-up power and energy independence? This workshop, taught by our battery storage experts and updated with the latest information, will cover things like energy consumption, upfront costs, bill savings, system payback estimates and more. •

A banner for 'clean power savings' featuring a hand putting a coin into a pink piggy bank. The background is a soft-focus green and yellow. The text 'clean power savings' is in large white font, and 'Save thousands. Get rebates today.' is in smaller white font to the right. The website 'CleanPowerCity.org' is listed at the bottom right.

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### SMUD Board of Directors

Your elected Board of Directors holds regular meetings once a month on the third Thursday at 6 p.m. in the Headquarters Auditorium. Meetings are streamed live and archived on [smud.org](https://smud.org).

Visit [smud.org/Board](https://smud.org/Board) for the latest information.

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