

Connections

Our monthly newsletter for residential customers



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Powering forward. Together.



Join the Clean PowerCity[®] movement

We're well on our way to having 100% carbon-free power supply by 2030. Hundreds of thousands of SMUD customers like you have taken action to join the charge. They're driving electric vehicles, making clean power choices at home and saving money with SMUD rebates on new all-electric upgrades like induction cooktops, heat pump HVAC systems and water heaters.

Together, we're creating Clean PowerCities. And at SMUD, we're keeping our promise to deliver world-class safety, reliability and some of the lowest rates in California — 54% lower than our neighboring utility.

The Clean PowerCity movement is changing the world one charge at a time. For 99 ways to show your support, get involved and join the charge, visit CleanPowerCity.org today. •

Earn rewards with your smart thermostat



Enrolling your smart thermostat in My Energy Optimizer[®] can help keep energy affordable and reliable for our entire community. A few times each summer, we'll schedule Peak Events if it looks like the demand for energy is going to spike. During these events, your thermostat will automatically adjust a few degrees and find

the best times to cool your home. We'll let you know in advance when there will be an event, and you can opt out of the event if you need to.

Right now, as a thank-you for joining, you'll get a \$50 prepaid Mastercard plus \$25 for your participation after each summer. Learn more at smud.org/MyEnergyOptimizer. •

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

Donate now at
smud.org/EnergyHELP. •

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



Your safety,
our priority

Over the last decade, California has experienced some of the most destructive wildfires on record. Keeping you safe is our top priority. While the risk of wildfires is low in our service area, our crews work year-round to mitigate potential wildfire threats through ongoing inspection and maintenance of our equipment.

Our vegetation management crews regularly inspect and maintain vegetation around SMUD's power lines from the sky and the ground. We also use digital technology and real-time weather monitoring stations to identify trees and other vegetation around our power lines that could pose threats to public safety and SMUD's power system.

We're constantly looking for ways to improve our wildfire mitigation programs while maintaining world-class reliability.

Visit smud.org/WildfireSafety for valuable information, downloadable emergency preparedness guides and more. •

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.

Visit smud.org/Board for the latest information.

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