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Local State Parks and Campgrounds

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Santa Barbara County

Carpentaria State Beach
Santa Barbara County

El Capitan State Beach
Santa Barbara County

Emma Wood State Beach
Ventura County

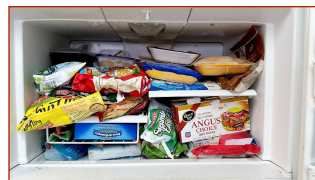
Lake Casitas Campground
Ventura County

Leo Carrillo State Park
Los Angeles County

Sycamore Cyn. and Thornhill Broome
State Parks
Ventura County

Lower Your Energy Bill

For many homeowners, the monthly energy bill is the second-largest expense after the rent or a mortgage. Reducing your energy usage isn't just a good investment for the environment—it's also a great way to keep your budget in check. Here are a few easy ways to help keep your energy bill lower.



Keep Your Fridge and Freezer Full

Everyone always tells you to keep the fridge closed. But did you know that keeping your fridge and freezer full can also save money? Food acts as insulation and lessens the amount of time that the fridge has to run to stay cool.

Line Dry Your Laundry

Set up a clothesline in your backyard, and let Mother Nature dry your laundry. If this is not an option, consider hanging clothes on a drying rack or shower rod.



Eliminate Phantom Loads

A shocking 75 percent of the energy used by home electronics is consumed when they are turned off. Phantom loads of electric usage come from televisions, DVD players, stereos, computers, and many kitchen appliances—basically anything that holds a time or other settings. A simple solution is to plug all of these items into power strips and get in the habit of turning off the strips between uses.

Shield Your Home From the Sun

Cut down on your air conditioning use by closing curtains and blinds on the sunny side of your home. For even more savings, consider installing tinted window film.



Change Your Filters Regularly

Keep your HVAC system running at peak efficiency by changing the filter every 30 days. Set a reminder on your phone, so you do not forget.

Switch To LED's

LED light bulbs use 90 percent less energy than incandescent bulbs. Switch out the most widely used bulbs in your home. Then, replace the rest as they burn out.

Welcome to Ventura Management!

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Turn Off Heat Dry On Your Dishwasher

Most of the energy consumed by your dishwasher goes to heating water. Turn off the heat dry feature, and you will minimize the energy drain.

Wash Laundry in Cold Water

Ninety percent of the energy consumed by your washing machine goes to heating water. Turn the dial to cold, and skip the bill.

Only Wash Full Loads

Your washing machine and dishwasher use a lot of electricity. Minimize the drain by only washing full loads.

Clean Your Dryer Lint Trap

Remove the dryer lint from your dryer's trap after each load to maximize the machine's efficiency. Then, scrub it down with soapy water and a brush once every couple months to remove any additional lint trapped in the screen.



Cool Down Food Before Putting in the Fridge

Placing hot foods in your fridge will increase the interior temperature and cause your refrigerator to work harder.



Use Smart Strips

Replace your regular surge protectors with Smart Strip surge protectors, which automatically turn off power to plugs that are not in use. Then, say goodbye to phantom energy use.

Install Dimmer Switches

The key to saving energy is within reach. Switch to dimmer switches, so you only use as much light as you need.

August Quote:

"Americans are incredibly impatient. Someone once said that the shortest period of time in America is the time between when the light turns green and when you hear the first horn honk."

– Jim Rohn

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