

# Save Energy, Save Money!

## 2015 Rebates and Tax Credits

### Duke Energy Indiana Customers



Utility rebates are for everything from HVAC installation & maintenance to attic insulation and Wi-Fi controlled thermostats. Receive a check after work is completed or proof of purchase is submitted for a product. You can also save on your state, county and federal taxes.

## FREE HOME ENERGY ASSESSMENTS

- **Duke** customers can schedule a free Home Energy House Call if they didn't receive an audit through an Energizing Indiana home assessment. (<http://tinyurl.com/Duke-house-call>)
- **Vectren** customers can call 1-866-749-7206 or visit the website to schedule an assessment. (<http://tinyurl.com/Vectren-home-audit>)

## HOME IMPROVEMENTS

### Sealing & Insulating Attics

**NOTE:** An R value is the measure of a material's ability to resist heat traveling through it and differs for different types of insulation. The U.S. government recommends R49 to R60 for Monroe County. For blown-in cellulose that means a total of 12" – 14". Consider insulating to R60: the cost may not be much greater than the utility-required R30, and the energy savings will be nearly double. Be sure to seal around wiring, pipes and ceiling light fixtures prior to adding insulation for best results.

- **Duke** electric heating or air conditioning customers:
  - ✓ \$250 toward sealing and insulating your attic from R19 or less increased to at least R30. (<http://www.duke-energy.com/indiana/savings/insulate-seal.asp>)
- **Vectren** natural gas heating customers: (<http://tinyurl.com/Vectren-insulate>)
  - ✓ Total cost up to \$400 to seal ducts in unconditioned spaces (Vectren's rebate can be combined with your electric utility rebate for natural gas heating customers also have AC)
  - ✓ 40% or up to \$450 toward attic insulation (from R11 or less increased to R38+)
  - ✓ 40% or up to \$450 toward insulating your walls (from R5 increased to R13)

### Sealing DUCTS in unconditioned spaces (in homes on slab or with a dry crawlspace)

- \$100 from **Duke** toward sealing ducts (<http://tinyurl.com/Duke-ducts> )
- \$400 from **Vectren** toward sealing ducts (<http://tinyurl.com/Vectren-ducts>)

## HVAC Equipment

To **REPAIR** or **REPLACE** your current heating or air conditioning system:

- **Vectren** customers see <http://tinyurl.com/Vectren-incentives> or call 1-866-240-8476
  - ✓ \$250 toward a new 95% efficient furnace
  - ✓ \$300 toward a new 97% efficient furnace
- **Duke Energy** customers with electric heat or air conditioning see <http://tinyurl.com/Duke-incentives>
  - ✓ \$200 towards a more efficient more efficient new AC or heating unit (<http://www.duke-energy.com/indiana/savings/hvac-install.asp>).
  - ✓ \$50 off a thorough Health Check of your existing heat pump or AC to help them run at peak efficiency. (<http://www.duke-energy.com/indiana/savings/health-check.asp>).

## Save on Programmable Thermostats

- **Vectren** residential customers with natural gas heat (<http://tinyurl.com/2015-rebates-Vectren>)
  - ✓ \$20 toward a programmable thermostat. –or–
  - ✓ \$100 toward a Wi-Fi enabled thermostat like Nest (saving 1/3 of the cost).



## REDUCING PEAK ELECTRIC LOADS

It costs electric utilities more to purchase electricity during peak times, so they offer incentives for installing a meter that allows them to temporarily switch off air conditioners and water heaters:

- ✓ \$25 to \$35 to Duke Energy customers for signing up and additional savings whenever device is active (see <http://www.duke-energy.com/indiana/savings/power-manager.asp>)

## APPLIANCE RECYCLING



**Ready to replace your old, inefficient refrigerator or freezer?**

Remember that refrigerators with top or bottom freezers are more efficient than side by side models, as are those without an in-door water or ice dispenser.

But don't keep your old, inefficient model in your garage!

**Duke Energy will pay you \$50 to pick up and recycle your old refrigerator or freezer:**

<http://www.duke-energy.com/indiana/savings/appliance-recycling.asp> or call 855.398.6200

## Free and discounted items with built-in rebates for Duke Energy customers:

Visit Duke Energy's Residential [Saving Store](http://www.duke-energy.com/residential-savings-store/) (<http://www.duke-energy.com/residential-savings-store/>) to save energy and money with free "twist" CFLs and heavily-discounted fluorescent & LED lights.



## HELP FOR LOWER INCOME HOUSEHOLDS

- **Home weatherization assistance** is available for households whose annual income is at or below 150% of the poverty guidelines. Contact the South Central Community Action Program (SCCAP) at (812) 339-3447 or INSCCAP.org (<http://www.insccap.org/>).
- **Duke Energy** provides energy efficiency kits, including 12 free CFLs, for qualifying participants.

## SAVE ON INCOME & PROPERTY TAXES

□ **State** (See <http://www.in.gov/oed/2379.htm>)

- ✓ Up to \$1,000 deduction for INSTALLING Solar-powered roof vent or fan (see Indiana Department of Revenue's Information Bulletin #105)
- ✓ Up to \$1,000 deduction for UPGRADING (not just replacing) insulation (storm windows, storm doors, included) on older houses. There are also credits for alternative energy. (see Indiana Department of Revenue's Information Bulletin #43).
- ✓ Property tax deductions available on solar, wind & geothermal installations (Go to <http://www.in.gov/dlgf/2344.htm> and look for "Deduction Forms" at the bottom of the page)

□ **Federal** (through December 31, 2016)

- ✓ Federal tax credit for 30% of the installed cost, up to \$500 per .5 KW of power capacity for Solar Panels.

### **ENERGY STAR SRCC-rated solar water heaters**

- ✓ Federal tax credit for 30% of the installed cost *with no upper limit*.
- ✓ [File Tax Form 5695 with your tax return.](#)

### **ENERGY STAR Geothermal Heat Pumps**

- ✓ Federal tax credit for 30% of the cost *with no upper limit*. For primary residence only.
- ✓ [File Tax Form 5695 with your tax return.](#)

See [DSIRE USA](http://www.dsireusa.org/) for the most up-to-date information on federal and state credits, rebates and incentives. (<http://www.dsireusa.org/>)