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Gift a Utility Payment This Holiday Season

Simply stop into our office and ask to make a gift payment for your friend or family members. You can choose any amount and your payment will be credited to their account. You will receive a gift payment certificate to share with the recipient.

Visit our Service & Operations Center at 1908 14th St NE and donate to the Salvation Army

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Austin Utilities Office will be closed Monday, Dec. 25th for Christmas & Monday, Jan. 1st for New Year’s Day

Wishes you a Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!
This holiday season consider donating to HeatShare

Ways to donate to HeatShare:
- Add a donation to your utility payment.
- Call or stop in to make a one-time donation.
- For autopay customers, a one-time or recurring donation can be added to your utility bill by stopping in or giving us a call at 507.433.8886.

HeatShare
Please help those less fortunate with winter heating bills and heating related repairs by making a donation to HeatShare.

For more information on how to make monthly donations via your utility bill contact Austin Utilities.

507.433.8886

HeatShare is administered by the Salvation Army.

Monthly Safety Tip

BE SAFE, STAY WARM
KEEP GAS METERS CLEAR

- Maintain a PATH TO METER
- REMOVE SNOW & ICE with hand, brush or broom
- SHOVEL OR PLOW carefully near meters
- DO NOT USE:
  - sharp objects
  - salt or ice melting chemicals
  - hot water

DON'T THROW AWAY OLD HOLIDAY LIGHTS.
RECYCLE THEM!

Austin Utilities will recycle all of your old holiday light strands for FREE!

It’s easy—just bring your old strands of lights into the Austin Utilities lobby and drop them in the bins designated for holiday light recycling.

Available now through January 31, 2018.

Don’t forget about our Holiday LED Lighting rebate.
Up to $12 per string on 2017 purchases!

NOTICE

In compliance with the Code of Federal regulation #49, Part 192.16, Austin Utilities must notify each customer who owns buried natural gas piping after the meter.
1. Austin Utilities does not maintain the customer’s buried piping.
2. If the customer’s buried piping is not maintained, it may be subject to the potential hazards of corrosion and leakage.
3. Buried gas piping should be:
   (a) periodically inspected for leaks.
   (b) periodically inspected for corrosion if the piping is metallic.
   (c) repaired if any unsafe condition is discovered.
4. When excavating near buried gas piping, the piping should be located in advance, and the excavation done by hand.
5. Austin Utilities and plumbing and heating contractors, can assist in locating, inspecting, and repairing the customer’s buried piping.

Customers with buried natural gas piping should feel free to contact Austin Utilities at 433-8886. You can also find information at www.austinutilities.com.

Making the SolarChoice

Is community solar right for me?

A community solar project—sometimes referred to as a solar garden or shared renewable energy plant—is a solar power plant whose electricity is shared by more than one household. Austin Utilities will be offering customers an opportunity to buy into a community solar project. Come to this workshop to understand more about community solar so you can decide if it’s right for you.

Instructor: Alex Bumgardner & Kelly Lady
Austin Utilities Staff Members

Dates:
- Saturday January 13th 10-11 am
- Thursday January 18th 1-2 pm
- Tuesday February 6th 1-2 pm

Session(s): 1
Cost: FREE

Saving Energy 101

Date: Thursday January 18th Time: 10-11 am or 6-7:00 pm
Date: Tuesday February 6th Time: 10-11 am or 6-7:00 pm

CONSERVE & $AVE

AU Customer Attendees qualify for a $25 audit.

All Classes held at:
Austin Utilities Service and Operations Center, 1908 14th St NE, Austin MN

To Register for Classes: Call 460-1706 or on the web at http://austin.revtrak.net.