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“Low Cost” Energy Savings Checklist

There are many ways to save energy and money in your home without spending a lot of money. By following the simple list below you could save up to \$500 per year. Not all actions show a dollar savings but they will add to your total savings.

When you complete this list go to **www.energyupgradetoday.com** or call 941-861-5000 to get another checklist and save even more money.



Action Item  = doing your part to conserve energy (specific savings estimates not available)	Potential Yearly Savings	I'll Do It!	I DID IT!
Lighting			
Switch your 15 most frequently used light bulbs to CFLs.	\$50.00		
Replace incandescent night lights with LED night lights.			
Install an ENERGY STAR labeled hard-wired fixture for your porch light. Install CFLs or LEDs. Add a motion sensor or photocell to save even more.			
Purchase ENERGY STAR qualified holiday light strings. Can save 90% or more energy over traditional lights.	\$26.00		
Seal the Leaks			
Seal gaps with caulk, weather stripping, and foam around windows, vents, doors, and areas where electrical and plumbing penetrate walls. Install foam gaskets behind electrical outlets and wall switch covers.	\$30.65		
Make sure ducts are connected properly. Seal holes and tears with metal foil tape or duct mastic. Insulate all accessible ductwork. (www.fpl.com under "residential" and "programs and rebates" for incentives)	\$40.00		
Bathroom			
Install a WaterSense labeled showerhead to save both water and water heating costs.	\$36.00		
Kitchen			
Clean gas burners. If flames are yellow call for service.	\$70.00		
Install a 1.5 gallon per minute WaterSense labeled faucet aerator to save more than 500 gallons of water a year.			
Fix household leaks. One drip per second can waste more than 3,000 gallons of water a year.	\$35.00		
Laundry Room			
Seal gaps around clothes dryer vents.			
Den or Media Room			
Use a "smart" power strip as a central "turn off" point for electronics when not in use.	\$100.00		



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Water Heater			
Use an insulating blanket on your older electric water heater, available at local home improvement stores.	\$30.00		
Outside the Home			
Keep 2" of mulch around trees and plants to reduce weeds and conserve water.			
Use a rain barrel to harvest rain water for irrigation and other outdoor water uses.			
Water by hand and use a shutoff nozzle on your hose .			
Plant native, bay-friendly plants in your yard to minimize the water and fertilizer required.			
Heating and Cooling			
Place a cover on the room air conditioner during winter.			
Use plantings to shade the air conditioner without blocking air flow.			
Check your HVAC air filter every month and change it every 3 months at a minimum, following manufacturer's instructions.	\$6.13		
Install an ENERGY STAR programmable thermostat. Set it at 78° in summer and 82° or higher when you are away. Keep it at 68° or cooler in winter.	\$61.29		
Replace ceiling fans with ENERGY STAR qualified ceiling fan and light combination units. They are 50% more efficient than conventional fan/ light units.	\$15.00		
Buy an ENERGY STAR qualified room air conditioner.			
Transportation			
Take Sarasota County Area Transit and/ or carpool to save money on gas, parking and auto maintenance			
Check and replace car air filters regularly to improve gas mileage			
Total Potential Yearly Savings:		\$500.07	
<i>Don't forget there will be even more savings for any actions with a </i>			

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