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Five energy efficiency tips for a sustainable Thanksgiving

(Albuquerque, NM) – As families across New Mexico prepare to gather for Thanksgiving, PNM reminds customers that small changes in how we cook, clean, and celebrate can make a big difference in saving energy and lowering bills. With holiday gatherings often leading to higher energy use, PNM is sharing five simple tips to keep homes efficient and comfortable this season.

Five Energy Efficiency Tips for Thanksgiving

1. Cook Smart with Your Oven

- Use the oven light instead of opening the door to check on food. Each peek can lower the temperature by up to 25 degrees, wasting energy. Don't forget to bake multiple dishes at once when possible, to maximize oven use.

2. Use Smaller Appliances

- Slow cookers, toaster ovens, and microwaves use significantly less energy than a full-size oven or stovetop. These appliances are also perfect for side dishes and reheating leftovers.

3. Check your fridge

- Check the fridge doors to make sure they're sealed tightly. Keep the cool air in and the warm air out.

4. Run Full Loads in Dishwashers

- Wait until your dishwasher is full before running it. Don't forget to use the energy-saving or air-dry setting to reduce electricity use.

5. Adjust the Thermostat

- Lower the thermostat a few degrees when guests arrive extra body heat will keep the home warm. You can also consider using a programmable thermostat to automatically adjust temperatures throughout the day.

For more tips on how to save energy, visit [PNM.com/tips](https://www.pnm.com/tips).

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