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# PNM powers up the New Year with energizing efficiency tips

(Albuquerque, NM) – As we step into a brand-new year, PNM is charged up and ready to help our community spark savings, lighten up on costs, and stay current with energy efficiency. Take advantage of these five simple energy savings tips to amp up your energy efforts and plug into a prosperous 2025!

## Get a free home energy checkup

It's always the right time to save energy and money and with a free PNM Home Energy Checkup, you can do both. You will receive a comprehensive report on your home's energy performance, learn ways to become energy smart, improve your comfort, and lower your monthly energy costs.

### Take advantage of sunlight

Utilize New Mexico's abundant sunlight to naturally heat your home. Open curtains on south-facing windows during the day to let in the warmth, and close them at night to retain the heat.

### Seal cracks, gaps, and air leaks

Reduce heating costs by sealing cracks and gaps around doors, windows and attic entryways. Use weather stripping and caulking to minimize air leaks. Don't forget to seal utility cut-throughs for pipes, gaps around chimneys, recessed lights in insulated ceilings, unfinished spaces behind kitchen cupboards, bathroom cabinets and closets.

### Use ceiling fans to offset heating costs

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Switch your ceiling fan direction to clockwise and set it to the lowest speed during winter. This helps pull cool air up and displace the warm air that rises to the ceiling, improving overall warmth distribution.

### **Clean or replace furnace filters**

Ensure your furnace operates efficiently by cleaning or replacing filters every three months. Dirty filters force the furnace motor to work harder, reducing efficiency. This simple maintenance step keeps your system running optimally year-round.

PNM is empowering customers to flip the switch on smart energy choices and shine brighter in a greener, more sustainable future. For more information on energy-saving tips and programs, visit <u>PNM.com/tips.</u>

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