



TOP 5 WAYS TO SAVE MONEY, ENERGY AND WATER

1. Replace your 5 most-used light bulbs with ENERGY STAR® CFL bulbs.

Every ENERGY STAR light bulb will save \$30 in energy costs over its lifetime. Using 5 of them will save you \$40 a year. Purchase a six-pack of 60W equivalent ENERGY STAR CFL bulbs for just \$10 at Lowe's.

SOURCE: ENERGY STAR®, Money Magazine - October 2007

2. Seal all air leaks around your windows and doors.

If you can insert a playing card between your door and the jamb or in your window, you need to add weather stripping or caulk. Properly sealing these leaks can save you up to \$1,375 in heating and cooling costs over the course of 5 years. Weather stripping for a door or window can cost as little as \$3 - \$5.

SOURCE: Money Magazine - July 2008

3. Install a programmable thermostat.

There's no sense in paying to heat or cool your home when you're not even in it. An ENERGY STAR programmable thermostat can change when your home is being heated or cooled based on your preferences. Programmable thermostats start at \$29 at Lowe's and can save you up to \$180 a year in heating and cooling costs when used properly.

SOURCE: ENERGY STAR

4. Properly insulate your attic.

Don't let your attic compromise the climate of your home. Save up to \$200 a year in energy costs by making sure your home is insulated and sealed according to ENERGY STAR recommendations. If you have less than 13" of insulation in your attic, you may need to add more. Visit Lowe.com/EfficientHome for the recommended insulation R-value for your area.

SOURCE: ENERGY STAR

5. Install a WaterSense® toilet.

Older toilets use far more water than necessary to perform the same job as newer, more efficient WaterSense toilets. Upgrading to a new, more efficient toilet can save up to 200 gallons of water every day, reducing your water bills and saving up to \$2000 over the lifetime of the toilet. WaterSense toilets are available at Lowe's starting at \$128.

SOURCE: EPA - WaterSense

