

# TOP 10 COLD WEATHER ENERGY TIPS

**6** Look for dirty spots on your ceiling paint and carpet, which may indicate air leaks at interior wall/ceiling joints and wall/floor joists. Use caulk to seal leaks.

**7** Is a sweater in order? For everyone degree you lower your thermostat, you save about 2% on your heating bill. Keep your thermostat at 70 degrees or lower.

**8** Better yet, install a programmable thermostat to automatically lower the temperature while you're asleep or away.

**9** If you or someone you know needs help paying a home energy bill, call toll-free 1-866-HEAT-HELP (1-866-432-8435) or go to [EnergyOutreach.org](http://EnergyOutreach.org) for information.

**10** And, if you or someone you know is left out in the cold because your furnace doesn't work and you can't afford to fix it, call toll-free 1-855-469-4328 to contact our Crisis Intervention Program.

## NEED HELP...

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Reducing your energy costs? Call 303.226.5061

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**Save money while staying warm and cozy during Colorado's frosty winter months by practicing these cold weather home energy tips.**

**1** Keep the heat in and the cold out of your home by banishing drafty air leaks. Use caulk and foam sealant to close cracks and gaps around door and window frames, as well as where plumbing, ducting and electrical wiring come through walls.

**2** Add new weather-stripping to tighten doors and windows. Don't forget the pull-down attic stairs or attic hatch.

**3** Check to see if your recessed lights are labeled ICAT for "insulation contact and air tight." If not, remove the bulb, install an airtight baffle into the housing and replace the bulb.

**4** Insert foam gaskets behind outlet and switch plates in interior and exterior walls to seal and insulate these openings. Add even more protection by installing child safety outlet plugs.

**5** Tightly close the fireplace flue damper when not in use to avoid drafts. Open it completely before lighting a fire.