

## LEARN

Heating can account for up to 45% of your energy bill. In Fort Collins, about 90% of homes use natural gas, while the other 10% use electricity. If you receive a bill from Xcel Energy, your home is likely heated with natural gas. For electric heat customers, your costs are included in your Fort Collins Utilities bill.

# ACT

Save on your heating costs with these easy tips:

- **Program your thermostat.** Save up to 10% on heating bills by using a programmable or smart thermostat to minimize heating when away from home or asleep.
- Shift your heat use. Try pre-heating your home before 5 p.m. and coasting through the on-peak hours.
- Set ceiling fans to spin clockwise to push hot air down.
- Check that vents, baseboard heaters and/or radiators are not blocked.
- **Clean or replace furnace filters** once a month, or as recommended, to allow your furnace to run at peak performance.

#### Time-of-Day (TOD) Hours Have Changed

Beginning Oct. 1, on-peak hours are 5-9 p.m. (weekdays only) through April 30.



For more information about TOD, please visit *fcgov.com/tod.* 

### **FIND OUT MORE**

- The Colorado Affordable Residential Energy (CARE) Program offers energy efficiency/weatherization upgrades. Eligible improvements are free for income-qualified homes (even if you rent). Learn more at *energyoutreach.org/care*.
- Are you a renter? Talk to your landlord about doing efficiency upgrades through Fort Collins Utilities Epic Homes. Learn more at *fcgov.com/epichomes*.



## **APPLY FOR LEAP TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR IQAP IN 2020**

The LEAP Van is coming to Fort Collins, Nov. 16, 9-11:30 a.m., Northside Aztlan Community Center and 1-5 p.m., Senior Center

The mobile unit helps local families, seniors and individuals sign up for the program on a walk-in basis. Required documents: ID, copy of your heating bill, and 60 days of income verification for all adults in the household or a social security benefit award letter.

Esta información sobre el programa "Income-Qualified Assistance Program", que ofrece una tarifa de luz y agua a descuento, puede ser traducida, sin costo para usted, 970-212-2900. NEEDEmail utilitiesaffordability@fcgov.com or call 970-416-2032.ASSISTANCE?Access this information anytime at fcgov.com/IQAP-Insights.<br/>fcgov.com/IQAP | utilitiesaffordability@fcgov.com | 970-212-2900Auxiliary aids and services are available for persons with disabilities. V/TDD 711