

**SAVE ENERGY AND
GET A REBATE CHECK
THROUGH THE**

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**NICOR GAS
ENERGY
EFFICIENCY
PROGRAM**



Fall has officially begun, which means cooler days are ahead, as well as the need to turn on your furnace for the first time this year. If your furnace, boiler or water heater is outdated and you're considering replacements, you may qualify for a rebate of **up to \$400** through the **Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program**. Details are available at nicorgasrebates.com or call **1 877 886-4239**.

Save Energy and Money

Now is the time to begin implementing measures that can save energy and money, before colder temperatures arrive. Launched in May, the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program offers rebates on energy efficient natural gas home equipment, as well as ideas and tools to help you use energy wisely. Rebates for furnaces, boilers, and water heaters range from \$100-\$400 plus you may be eligible for federal tax incentives. Another positive

aspect of this program is that when you purchase qualifying energy saving equipment, your home can become more environmentally friendly due to the reduction in energy consumption.



Energy Efficiency Program

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How the Program Works

Simply purchase and install a qualifying product by May 31, 2011, fill out a rebate application* and you will receive a rebate check in two to three weeks**. The qualifying residential equipment and their associated rebates are as follows:

EQUIPMENT	EFFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS	REBATE
Storage Water Heater	ENERGY STAR qualified, with Energy Factor ≥ 0.67	\$ 100
High Efficiency Furnace	$\geq 92\%$ Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency; ENERGY STAR rated	\$ 200
High Efficiency Furnace	$\geq 95\%$ Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency; ENERGY STAR rated	\$ 250
High Efficiency Boiler	$\geq 90\%$ Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency; ENERGY STAR rated	\$ 350
High Efficiency Boiler	$\geq 95\%$ Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency; ENERGY STAR rated	\$ 400

Rebates for natural gas equipment purchases and energy efficiency measures are also available for business customers. For details on the rebate programs and additional energy efficiency offers the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program may provide, visit nicorgasrebates.com or call **1 877 886-4239**.

*Applications must be postmarked no later than 60 days after the purchase, or by June 30, 2011, whichever comes first.

**Program funding is limited and may be exhausted prior to May 31, 2011.

Need help paying your gas bill? Financial assistance is available.

Making ends meet with your family's budget can sometimes be difficult, especially if you are on a fixed income. The good news is that you may qualify for financial assistance that will help ease your burden. The **Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)**, administered by the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity, helps eligible low-income households pay for energy services. Qualifying households receive monetary relief once per year to be used for energy bills. Eligibility is based on several factors including household size, location and income. Please note that LIHEAP funds are limited. The disabled and those over 60 years of age can apply now. Enrollment for the general public begins November 2. For more information or to apply, **call 1 877 411-9276 or visit nicor.com/financialassistance.**



If you don't meet the LIHEAP eligibility requirements, you may qualify for **Nicor Gas Sharing Program** assistance. The program provides one-time annual grants of up to \$450

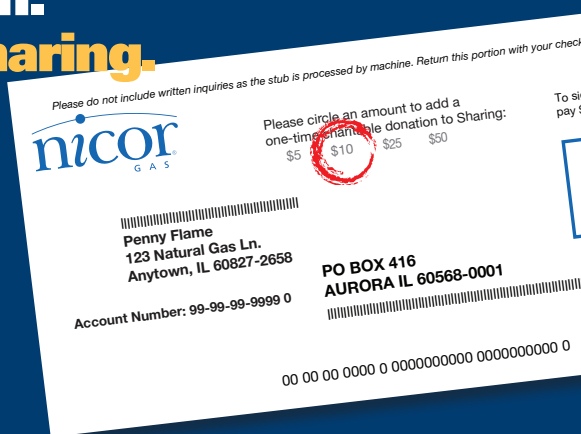
to qualified residential customers to help them pay their gas bill. Administered by the Salvation Army, the Sharing Program is funded by direct contributions from Nicor Gas' customers and employees. Nicor Gas also contributes \$175,000 to the program annually. For more information or to apply, **visit nicor.com/financialassistance.**



Give the gift of warmth. Please give to Sharing.

In today's economy, many families are struggling to pay for the most basic of needs, including groceries and utilities. We hope you'll consider helping a neighbor stay warm this year by making a contribution to the Nicor Gas Sharing Program (see the story above for details). Simply **circle an amount on your payment stub and include it with you payment.** It's that easy! When you give to Sharing, you are giving the gift of warmth.

Thank you for your generosity!



October Natural Gas Cost



Every month, Nicor Gas files a gas supply charge with the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC). It is the price customers pay for gas purchased from Nicor Gas during that month. As a regulated utility, Nicor Gas does not profit from the sale of natural gas. The price we pay for gas is passed on to our customers without markup. Visit nicor.com/gascost for energy efficiency tips, historical natural gas price information and home energy audit tools that will help you manage your natural gas usage and keep your costs down.

*At press time, this was the price Nicor Gas filed with the ICC. Under ICC rules, the price may be changed up until the first of the month in which it is effective.



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