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Thread: [After a long effort and dedication....](#)

Helper - September 27, 2020, 11:02 am

I have finally lowered my Utility bill to \$4.70 through hard work.
Here's a photograph - will edit later with all the ways I succeeded

My thermostat broke 4 or so times, that's why you see the huge bills and they took a very long time to fix it.

Edit

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- 2) Used my flashlight on my phone if wanting more light - learned about breakers/fuse box, turned those off.
- 3) If I visit a friend's I put my phone on the charger in their car/house.
- 4) I unplug my laptop when charged it placing it on power saver, full performance when plugged in.
- 5) Rarely use my stovetop, desktop or microwave
- 6) Stopped using refrigerator. Most of the food I eat/ate purchased cooked from the grocery store.
- 7) If wanting Entertainment/TV, used laptop not television.
- 8)Lights are off when not in use.

FCC - September 27, 2020, 11:06 am

So you're just saving money on your electric bill by utilizing title 24 standards orrrr?

Helper - September 27, 2020, 3:00 pm

(Sep 27, 2020 11:06 AM)FCC Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) So you're just saving money on your electric bill by utilizing title 24 standards orrrr?
I don't understand your question.

FCC - September 27, 2020, 3:01 pm

(Sep 27, 2020 03:00 PM)Helper Wrote: [\[CITE\]](#) I don't understand your question.
Basically I was asking if you started using energy saving methods and just kept your lights off when needed and your ac off when you're not home.

Ivex - September 27, 2020, 3:06 pm

Now that's frugalism at its finest ahaha.

Helper - September 27, 2020, 3:07 pm

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My edited OP should answer your question.

flavoral - September 27, 2020, 6:20 pm

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I mean some of those are normal.

Make sure you using electric saving light ball, and make sure you optimizing the light angles to light up most of the space.

Microwave, kettles are known to be a sucker for electricity. Stopping to use the refrigerator is bit extreme tho imo.

Cooligan - September 27, 2020, 6:28 pm

Quote:6) Stopped using refrigerator. Most of the food I eat/ate purchased cooked from the grocery store.

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Pyro - September 27, 2020, 6:39 pm

(Sep 27, 2020 06:28 PM)Cooligan Wrote: [CITE](#) This will cost you more money, not save.

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Exactly what i was thinking about

Prox - September 27, 2020, 7:23 pm

This is an insane accomplishment, congratulations! You should be proud of yourself for your dedication to use as little power as possible....

Now please plug your fridge back in :P

Klonopin - September 27, 2020, 7:31 pm

(Sep 27, 2020 06:28 PM)Cooligan Wrote: [CITE](#) This will cost you more money, not save.

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thought the same thing, what are you buying that you don't have to store in the fridge.

Helper - September 27, 2020, 8:15 pm

I don't need advice on electric/saving money from people who make good salaries and don't need to save, thanks.

I only go to the dollar store for items, not foods. I have saved enough to live comfortably. "You could save even more" isn't really the hope here.

60 kilowatts about, or less than 5 kw per day.