

Want to Save Up to \$135 on Your Natural Gas Bill?

It's easy with the *Washington Gas Residential Essential Service Program*.

Washington Gas offers **special discounts** to customers who use natural gas to heat their homes, and who receive fuel assistance benefits from the Maryland Energy Assistance Program.

These discounts apply during the winter heating months. They are a benefit that is **in addition** to any fuel assistance grant you receive. This is not a loan, and does not need to be repaid. The discount is applied directly to your bill, and lowers the amount you pay for natural gas.

You automatically qualify for the discount if you meet these conditions:

1. Have a Washington Gas bill in your name, and use natural gas to heat your home.
2. Apply for and receive fuel assistance benefits through the Maryland Department of Human Resources' Office of Home Energy Programs.
3. Pay your Washington Gas bill by its due date, or enter into a budget or payment plan and pay those bills on time.

You do not need to fill out a separate application to receive this discount.

The Maryland Office of Home Energy Programs will notify Washington Gas if you are approved for the Maryland Energy Assistance Program, and the discounts will automatically apply to your bill as long as the account is in your name and your bill payments are on time.

If your gas bill is not in your name, or if you have an overdue bill, **call Washington Gas at (703) 750-1000 or 1-800-752-7520** to make payment arrangements on your balance so you can qualify for the discount. **Frederick County, Maryland, residents should call (301) 662-2151.**

How much will you save?

The savings will vary based on the amount of natural gas you use. The discount is **17.17 cents per therm**. The maximum discounts per month are:

November.....	\$12.88 if you use 75 or more therms
December.....	\$24.04 if you use 140 or more therms
January.....	\$30.91 if you use 180 or more therms
February.....	\$30.91 if you use 140 or more therms
March.....	\$24.04 if you use 180 or more therms
April.....	\$12.88 if you use 75 or more therms

