



# ENERGY edition

## Paducah Power System

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## Winter Savings

Heating your home usually accounts for half of your residential energy usage in the winter so it's important to have an energy efficient heating system and to have a well insulated home in order to control your winter electric bills. A poorly operating heating system can be costly. For example, an all electric heat pump running on "emergency heat" for an extended amount of time may lead to a very high bill.

Many space heaters are expensive to run as well. A home that has an efficient heating system can still have high bills if it has little or no insulation.

One of the other more important ways of controlling your bill is to keep the thermostat at the lowest comfortable temperature. For most people 68 degrees is acceptable. Customers who keep their thermostats in the mid 70's in the winter are often surprised at how much they save when they lower it. If you're going to be gone for a few days, you can lower it to 55 degrees to save even more. A programmable thermostat is a helpful tool in controlling your bills. Use a programmable thermostat to lower the temperature in your home about ten degrees during the day when you're at work and school and gradually warm up your house right before you return home. For more tips on saving this winter, go to [paducahpower.com](http://paducahpower.com) or call 270-575-4000.



## Utility Assistance

If you need assistance with your electric bill, you may contact West Kentucky Allied Services. During this time of year, they distribute LIHEAP funds, as long as the funds last, to households that are facing disconnection of utilities. West Kentucky Allied Services also administers Paducah Power System's Operation Round Up utility assistance program. They can be reached at 270-444-7380.

The following agencies may also help with your bill:

Family Service Society	827 Joe Clifton Dr.	270-443-4838
Paducah Cooperative Ministry	402 Legion Dr.	270-442-6795
Salvation Army	3100 Irvin Cobb Dr.	270-442-2198
St. Vincent DePaul	2025 Cairo Rd.	270-442-9351

To report an outage call  
**270-575-4010**



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## Space Heater Safety

Two safety hazards associated with the improper use of space heaters are fire and carbon monoxide poisoning. Space heaters can cause fires if they are placed too close to flammable materials such as drapes, furniture or bedding. When using a space heater:

- *Put the heater on a hard, level surface at least three feet away from furniture, drapes and bedding.*
- *Never leave a space heater unattended or on when you go to sleep.*
- *Purchase a space heater that is correctly rated for your home. An oversized heater could deplete the available oxygen, producing excess carbon monoxide.*



## Operation Round-Up



Help those who need utility assistance by rounding up your bill to the next

whole dollar each month. Mark the Operation Round Up box on your bill to sign up. Contact us directly at 270-575-4000 to make a one-time donation to the fund. Contact West KY Allied Services at 270-444-7380 to apply for Operation Round Up assistance.

## Pay As You Go



Our "Pay As You Go" program for residential customers is an alternative to traditional monthly billing that gives you flexibility and control over your electric usage and payment schedule. If your financial situation makes it easier for you to make several small payments throughout the month instead of one larger payment, contact our Customer Service Department at 270-575-4000 and ask about Pay As You Go.

## Benefits of Public Power PPS Scholarships

Apply for the 2017 PPS Scholarship Program online, at [paducahpower.com](http://paducahpower.com). Click on "Community" and then "2017 Scholarship Program". PPS will give three \$2,000 awards to students graduating from high school or receiving a GED this spring and enrolling in higher education in 2017. Two of the awards are for students enrolling full time at West Kentucky Community and Technical College. A third scholarship goes to a student enrolling full time at any accredited public college or university located in the commonwealth of Kentucky. Applicants must have lived with a parent or legal guardian for at least one full calendar year in a household that is served by Paducah Power System. Applicants must also have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. The deadline to apply is 4:30 PM February 29th. For more information, call 270-575-4025.

## Christmas in the Park Results

Paducah Power System recorded another great Christmas in the Park season. Contributions to the event amounted to \$43,752 in cash and 66,893 pounds of canned goods. The proceeds were distributed last month to local helping agencies. The event set a record for cash donations, beating last year's total by more than \$3,000. In the twenty-year history of Christmas in the Park, the event has generated a total of \$618,899 and 823,943 pounds of food for agencies that provide food and utility assistance for Paducah/McCracken County residents.

## Payment Options

We have payment drop boxes in front of the South Side Kroger and in front of Cape Electrical Supply on Lone Oak Road. We also have payments kiosks at Banks Market in Lone Oak, inside the Southside Walmart and inside our lobby at 1500 Broadway.