

Small changes can protect the environment for our children and save money.

There are a number of federal and state specific resources, services, and assistance programs available to you

The programs offer a host of benefits ranging from energy rebate programs and tax credits to transportation services



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## Resources, Services and Assistance Programs

### RHODE ISLAND



Tools and Information to help you reduce energy use and save money



## Federal Energy Program

### Home Energy Saver

The Home Energy Saver is a do-it-yourself energy audit tool that helps identify ways to reduce energy use and help save money in your home or apartment.

**Benefits:** Resident receives increasingly customized results along with energy-saving upgrade recommendations.

**Cost:** FREE!

**Contact:** 1-877-EERE-INF

[www.hes.lbl.gov](http://www.hes.lbl.gov) or [www.homeenergysaver.lbl.gov](http://www.homeenergysaver.lbl.gov)

### EnergyWise

Home energy audits for residential customers, condominium associations, and apartment building owners

**Benefits:** Incentives and low-interest loans are available to help pay for improved insulation and the installation of ENERGY STAR lighting and refrigerators.

**Cost:** FREE!

**Contact:** 1-888-633-7947

### Federal Tax Credits for Advanced Vehicles

Personal tax credit for purchasing a new energy-efficient car.

**Contact:** [www.fueleconomy.gov](http://www.fueleconomy.gov) or [www.irs.gov](http://www.irs.gov)



## Residential Energy Resources

### LIHEAP: Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Provides assistance and relief to those households most vulnerable to the high cost of home heating in relation to income.

**Benefits:** Heating: \$400 minimum, \$500 average, \$650 maximum

**Contact:** 401-222-3003

**Contact:** [www.energy.ri.gov](http://www.energy.ri.gov)

### Rhode Island Good Neighbor Energy Fund

Provides assistance to Rhode Islanders in temporary financial crisis who are not income eligible for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

**Benefits:** The maximum Fund grant is \$500, can be distributed to more than one utility

**Contact:** State of Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources at (401) 574-9003

### Narragansett Electric: Low Income Rate Assistance

Provides a discount rate for low-income households

**Benefits:** Discounted rate may vary

**Contact:** 1-800-322-3223

Hearing/Speech-Impaired Customers: 1-800-793-5046

Non-English-Speaking Customers: 1-800-322-3223

[www.nationalgridus.com](http://www.nationalgridus.com)

## Transportation Services

### Carpooling

AlterNetRide carpool matching software to find carpool companions

Discounted Downtown Parking for Carpools: Reduced rates at Providence Place

Guaranteed Ride Home: When an emergency arises, this program gives carpoolers a free taxi ride that takes the hassle out of carpooling.

School Pool: Providing parents a secure and reliable network of families interested in sharing the responsibilities of the school day commute.

**Contact:** 1-888-887-4782

### Transit

Fares for using public transportation can be reduced, based on different programs and eligibility requirements. Visit state transit website for additional information on reduced fares.

**Contact:** 401-781-9400 or [www.ripta.com](http://www.ripta.com)

### Park & Ride

Safe, convenient place to park your car & transfer to a prior-arranged carpool, vanpool, bus or train.

Costs: Free (occasionally permits or fees may be required)

Visit Google Earth for Park & Ride locations

