



Greenworks is the city's sustainability plan to improve quality of life for all Philadelphians. We've developed guides to show individuals, communities, and institutions how they can help make the Greenworks visions a reality. All of the guides are available at www.phila.gov/green or by calling 215-686-3495.

What Individuals Can Do

CLIMATE PREPARED

- Prepare for extreme weather:** Make sure you have an emergency plan, and check on elderly or vulnerable neighbors during extreme weather.
- Protect your basement from flooding:** Take part in the Philadelphia Water Department's Basement Protection Program (BPP).
 -  <http://tiny.cc/BasementBackup>
 -  215-685-6300
- Understand how the City of Philadelphia is preparing:** Read the city's first climate adaptation report, *Growing Stronger*.
 -  tiny.cc/GrowingStrongerPHL

CARBON NEUTRAL

- Choose low or no carbon transportation:** You can reduce your carbon footprint by walking, biking, or taking public transit to your destination.
- Conduct a home energy audit:** A professional energy auditor can identify ways to make your house more efficient.
 - Energy audits are available through PECO and PGW or directly from businesses. You can contact the Delaware Valley Green Building Council for help identifying a contractor.
 -  www.dvgbc.org
 -  215-399-5790

- Consider energy when renting or buying a home:** Ask about a home's energy efficiency and factor those costs into your renting or buying decision.
- Explore rooftop solar:** You may be able to install solar panels, giving you direct access to clean energy.
- Switch electricity providers:** You can choose your electricity supplier, and some provide up to 100% renewable energy.
 -  www.PAPowerSwitch.com
- Take advantage of energy conservation programs:** Both of Philadelphia's energy utilities offer programs to help you save money on energy at home.
 - PECO Smart Ideas Rebates
 -  <https://peco.myrebateportal.com/>
 -  888-573-2672
 - PGW Energysense
 -  www.pgwennergysense.com/forthehomeowner.html
 -  855-749-7658

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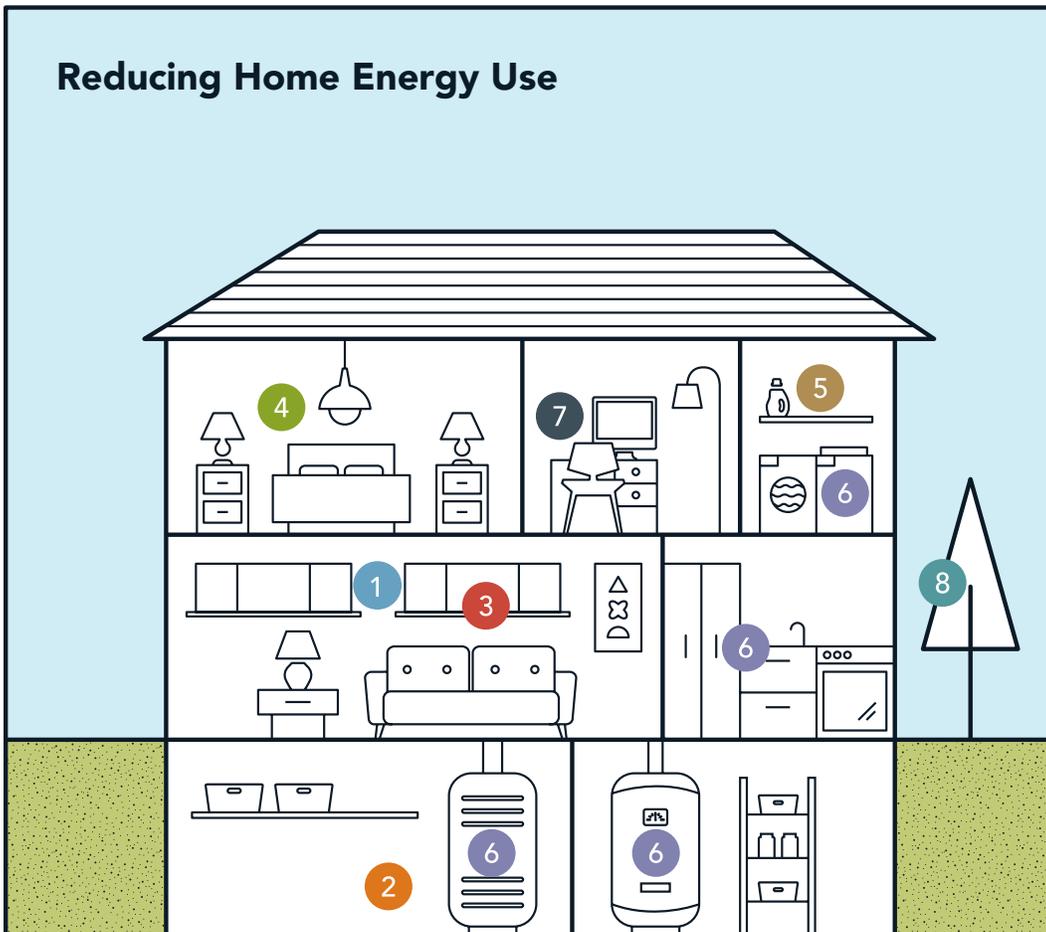
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CLIMATE PREPARED AND CARBON NEUTRAL COMMUNITIES

All Philadelphians are prepared for climate change and reduce carbon pollution

Individuals

Reducing Home Energy Use



- 1 Buy a **programmable thermostat** to reduce energy usage when you're away from home.
- 2 **Clean air filters** and **recharge coolant** to improve the efficiency of air conditioning.
- 3 Keep your **windows sealed** in the winter.
- 4 Use high-efficiency **ENERGY STAR**-labeled lightbulbs.
- 5 Wash your clothes in **cold water** and consider air-drying clothes on racks.
- 6 Check for **ENERGY STAR** label when replacing appliances and fixtures.
- 7 User **power management** features to improve efficiency of electronic devices and unplug any devices not in use.
- 8 Consider **planting trees** to provide shade in the summertime.