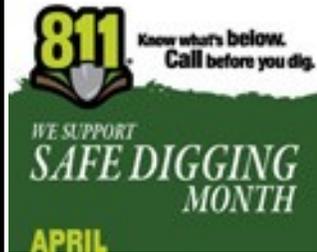


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APRIL IS SAFE DIGGING MONTH (811) Call Before you Dig

Many of us look forward to getting out in the yard this spring and summer, but we urge you to take caution before digging. Accidentally cutting into utility lines is not only expensive, but can be deadly. Iowa law requires anyone who does digging or excavating to call Iowa One

Call before digging to see if there are any underground utility lines or cables. This applies to homeowners planting trees or installing fence posts and commercial contractors excavating for buildings.

It is important to call at least 48 hours before you are set to dig. If underground lines exist in that area, the utilities will mark the location of the lines within that 48 hour period.

Be sure that the flags are not tampered with once the lines are marked. If the flags are moved someone could dig in the wrong location and cut into our lines.

Please call the "Iowa One Call" before you dig and make it safe for you and everyone else. If you have any questions please call our office at 712-263-4154.

APWA UNIFORM COLOR CODE FOR MARKING UNDERGROUND UTILITY LINES

	PROPOSED EXCAVATION
	TEMPORARY SURVEY MARKINGS
	ELECTRIC POWER LINES, CABLES CONDUIT AND LIGHTING CABLES
	GAS, OIL, STEAM, PETROLEUM OR GASEOUS MATERIALS
	COMMUNICATION, ALARM OR SIGNAL LINES, CABLES OR CONDUIT
	POTABLE WATER
	RECLAIMED WATER, IRRIGATION AND SLURRY LINES
	SEWERS AND DRAIN LINES

1-800-292-8989 
Dig Safely. 
Know what's below. Call before you dig.

Energy-efficient lighting just makes sense! ENERGY STAR certified LED light bulbs use an estimated 90% less energy than incandescent bulbs, and save up to \$80 in electricity over the life of the bulb.

We want to help you be energy efficient by giving you a **FREE LED** light bulb the month of April. A thank you for just being our customers! Stop in the office and pick up your **FREE LED** light bulb.

We are open Monday—Friday 7:00 am—4:00pm. Just stop by our office and grab one from our front lobby. Limit - two per customer please.

Save Energy and Save Money!



For more than 40 years the American Water Works Association and its members have celebrated Drinking Water Week – a unique opportunity for both water professionals and the communities they serve to join together in recognizing the vital role water plays in our daily lives.

The 2021 celebration will take place May 2-8, 2021.

Pictured from left to right are our Water Department employees: Dave Bilsten, Jack Webb, Adam Kragel, Luke Gillmor, Aaron Kolln, John Leinen, and Justin Bromert.



Make sure you check our Facebook page the week of National Drinking Water Week to learn more about your water source and how we make sure your water is **There When You Need It!**



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Rebates for Your Home:

Using electricity wisely can reduce energy bills, improve comfort and protect the environment. The Bright Energy Solutions program provides cash rebates to help make your energy choices easier. Learn more at:

brightenergysolutions.com
or dmuonline.com

The available rebates are listed.



We also have commercial rebate incentives. Please call our Bright Energy Solutions representative at: 712-263-3046 for more information.



DMU TO CELEBRATE NATIONAL ELECTRICAL SAFETY MONTH

May is National Electrical Safety Month and Denison Municipal Utilities (DMU) is joining with the Electrical Safety Foundation International (ESFI) to raise awareness and promote electrical safety in the home, school and workplace. On average, 325 people die and 4,400 are injured each year because of electrical hazards, according to data published by the National Safety Council. Electricity is also the cause of over 140,000 fires resulting in \$1.6 billion in property damage each year.

The leading cause of fatal electrical incidents while on the job is contact with power lines, both above and below ground. Eliminating electrical hazards begins with education and awareness. Listed are some electrical safety tips to help avoid tragic and costly injuries:

- Use appliances and equipment according to the manufacturer's instructions.
- Replace damaged electrical equipment or have it repaired at an authorized repair center.
- Make sure power strips, cords and surge suppressors are designed to handle the loads for their intended use.
- Avoid overloading circuits by plugging in too many items into the same outlet.
- Use ground fault circuit interrupter (GFCI) protection when working where water is near electricity to protect against electric shock.
- Make certain that all products and equipment are Underwriters Laboratories (UL) approved.
- Avoid contact with power lines by being aware of the location of power lines and keeping a distance of at least 10 feet between you and power lines to avoid arcs.

Electrical safety awareness and education among consumers, families, employees and communities will prevent electrical fires, injuries and fatalities. A focus on electrical safety, both at home and in the workplace, can prevent the hundreds of deaths, thousands of injuries and billions of dollars in economic losses that occur each year because of electrical hazards. If you have any questions about electrical safety issues, please contact DMU at 263-4154.

ENERGY STAR® APPLIANCES

Air Purifier: \$25
Room air purifiers remove fine particles, such as dust and pollen, from indoor air. An ENERGY STAR model could save about \$144 in energy costs over its lifetime.

Clothes Washer: \$25
ENERGY STAR clothes washers use 25% less energy and 33% less water per load compared to standard models.

*Rebate available for homes with electric water heaters only.

Dehumidifier: \$25
ENERGY STAR dehumidifiers have more efficient refrigeration coils, compressors and fans than conventional models, so they use less energy to remove moisture.

LED Lighting: \$1.50 - \$4
ENERGY STAR lighting uses up to 90% less energy than traditional incandescent bulbs and lasts at least 15 times longer.

Room Air Conditioner: \$25
ENERGY STAR room air conditioners use less energy than standard models and often include timers for better temperature control.



Using electricity wisely can reduce energy bills, improve comfort and protect the environment. The Bright Energy Solutions® program provides cash rebates (or bill credits) to help make your energy choices easier.

Learn more at brightenergysolutions.com.

HEATING & COOLING REBATES

Air-Source Heat Pump (ducted, electric backup): \$200 - \$300

Air-Source Heat Pump (ducted, gas/propane backup): \$800 - \$1,200
Air-source heat pumps provide up to three times the amount of energy they consume. Use a certified Quality Install contractor and receive an additional \$100 rebate.

Central Air Conditioner: \$200 - \$300
High-efficiency models will cut your cooling costs. Use a certified Quality Install contractor and receive an additional \$100 rebate.

Mini-Split (ductless) Heat Pump:

\$250 - \$350 per outdoor unit

Mini-Split (ductless) Air Conditioner:

\$200 per outdoor unit

Ductless heating and cooling systems - widely used in Europe and Asia - use multiple indoor units connected to an outdoor unit via refrigerant lines, avoiding the need for costly ductwork. These highly efficient systems allow for customized heating and cooling in each space.

Central A/C or Heat Pump Tune-up: \$30
Tune-ups keep your equipment running efficiently and help cut cooling costs. Apply for this rebate every other year.



Geothermal Heat Pump: \$200/ton

Geothermal heat pumps are among the most efficient and comfortable heating and cooling technologies available because they use the earth's natural heat to provide heating, cooling and, at times, water heating.

Heat-Pump Water Heater: \$150

ENERGY STAR qualified heat-pump water heaters can save a four-person household about \$330 per year on electric bills compared to a standard electric water heater.

ENERGY STAR Smart Thermostat: \$25
Smart thermostats automatically adjust to save energy when you are asleep or away. They can be controlled remotely using a smartphone, tablet or computer.

ELECTRIC VEHICLES (EVs)

ChargePoint® Home Charger: \$500

Connect a WiFi-enabled ChargePoint Home or Home Flex charger to your local utility and receive a \$500 rebate. ChargePoint Level 2 residential units charge your EV up to nine times faster than a wall outlet, adding up to 37 miles of range per hour. They are ENERGY STAR certified and update to the latest software automatically. Download the ChargePoint app to schedule and track charging, get reminders to plug in and find places to charge away from home.

EV Survey: \$50

EV owners who do not qualify for the \$500 rebate above can get a \$50 reward simply for sharing their vehicle and charging information with us.

