



# New Opportunities to Reduce Your Utility Costs

Earlier this year, the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) granted Liberty's request to implement new and expanded programs with accompanying rate schedules that provide opportunities for customers to reduce their electrical use and, as a result, save money on their utility costs.

## Energy Efficiency Program

This existing program for both residential and commercial customers received additional funding. Sign up for a free energy audit and receive LED lightbulbs at no cost! Recycle your old refrigerator/freezer and get a \$35 rebate! Commercial customers may receive rebates for energy efficient retrofits, and residents may be income-qualified to receive free energy efficient improvements to their homes even if they rent.

## Time of Use (TOU) Rates

Customers who are willing to use less electricity during periods when total energy demand is highest (the peak), can save money by shifting their usage to times with lower rates. Liberty now offers TOU rates to both residential (D-1) and small commercial (A-1) customers. If your schedule allows you to move most of your power consumption to Liberty's off-peak times (10:01 pm to 5 pm in winter and 10:01 pm to 1 pm in summer), you live in a single-family dwelling and use more than the baseline kWh (i.e., minimum amount of kWh allocated to your rate class; differs for winter and summer), then you may be a candidate for this discounted rate. If after the first 12-month period we find that you have spent more on the TOU rate than you would have spent on the standard rate, we'll credit the difference to your account and restore you to the standard rate.

## TOU - Electric Vehicles

Do you or your small business own an electric vehicle and have an EV charging station at your home or business? If so and you can charge your electric vehicle during off-peak hours, you may benefit from our new TOU-EV rates. In addition to discounted rates during off-peak times, there are also lower mid-peak rates during the winter (7:01 am to 5 pm). All TOU-EV rate customers will also benefit from TOU rates applied to their home or small business. And, the guarantee previously described to credit your account after the first 12-month period if TOU rates aren't lower also applies.

## Solar Initiative Program (SIP)

While Liberty has had net-metering rates available to customers who have renewable generating systems on their premises, we have not been able to offer incentives to customers wishing to install solar panels and go on the net metering rate until the CPUC approved the program in concept. With that approval in place, Liberty is now in the process of developing program specifics which also must be approved by the CPUC. While approval is dependent on the CPUC's schedule, it is our hope to have this incentive program available to customers by late spring or early summer.

**For more information about these money-saving opportunities, please visit our website and click on the "Save Energy & Money" link at the top. You can also view the specific rates schedules by going to the "Rates & Tariffs" link located in the same area.**

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## Need Money for School?

Liberty Utilities is pleased to once again offer academic scholarships for eligible high school and college students within its service territory. The eight schools participating in the fourth annual scholarship program are South Tahoe, Loyalton, Douglas (students residing in Alpine County only), Coleville, North Tahoe, Truckee, and Portola High Schools, as well as Lake Tahoe Community College. High School scholarships are \$500 and the LTCC scholarship is \$750.

**INTERESTED STUDENTS SHOULD CONTACT THEIR SCHOOL'S FINANCIAL AID OFFICE OR COUNSELOR TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP AND TO OBTAIN AN APPLICATION.** Liberty Utilities representatives attend the schools' awards ceremonies to present the deserving students with their scholarships.

*Liberty Utilities employees and their families once again participated in the annual SnowFest Parades at both Kings Beach and Tahoe City. This year, Liberty took the opportunity to especially thank all our customers for their patience and understanding during the winter storm-related power outages.*



*Liberty Utilities recently awarded the Tahoe Truckee Unified School District (TTUSD) a rebate check of nearly \$20,000 for improvements made in 2016 to increase energy efficiency at two school facilities. The rebate represented the largest incentive payment ever provided to any commercial customer. In addition to the rebate, the school district will also realize more than \$15,700 in annual energy bill savings.*

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