

Free Energy Assessments From PPL Electric Utilities to Help Nonprofits

Energy efficiency roadmaps will help save electricity and money

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Certain nonprofit organizations served by [PPL Electric Utilities](#) can now apply for a free energy assessment to help them increase energy efficiency, reduce electric bills and improve their bottom line.

Under a new program announced Tuesday (3/15) by the utility, select nonprofit customers — a group that could range from volunteer fire companies to houses of worship and community-based organizations — can get a free energy efficiency checkup. The assessment will include detailed recommendations on the highest priority, most effective actions to reduce electricity use.

"Nonprofit groups typically operate on very tight budgets. With this program, PPL Electric Utilities will partner with them to help make their energy dollars go as far as possible," said Thomas C. Stathos, director of Customer Programs and Services for the company. "With funding cutbacks, rising oil prices and other financial pressures, being as energy-efficient as possible is critical."

Funding for the program is limited and is on a first-come, first-served basis. Stathos said PPL Electric Utilities plans to offer assessments for at least 100 applicants across the company's 29-county service territory in central and eastern Pennsylvania. The program will run until Sept. 1.

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be served by PPL Electric Utilities GS1 or GS3 rate schedule with less than \$100,000 a year in electric bills, excluding schools and government agencies.
- Own the nonprofit structure or systems or be able to show they have permission from the property owner to modify the building and its systems.
- Have less than 50 full-time-equivalent employees and have less than 50,000 square feet of office or community meeting space.
- Be a 501-C organization with three or less locations performing the same business services within the PPL Electric Utilities service territory.
- Have no engineering, energy management or building systems maintenance personnel on site or on their payroll.

PPL Electric Utilities said eligible customers can apply regardless of whether they shop for their electric supply or rely on the company to purchase electricity on their behalf.

For more information or to apply, call toll-free, 1-866-424-9111. Questions also can be sent to PPLNPEnergyAssessments@TRCSolutions.com.

"These assessments are very thorough and will identify both behavioral and operational changes that can reduce energy consumption," Stathos said. "They'll look at a wide variety of things, ranging from insulation levels and possible lighting retrofits to energy-efficient appliances and business equipment."

The program is part of PPL Electric Utilities' E-power initiative, designed to provide customers with tools, information and incentives to use energy more efficiently, help them save money, and reduce their carbon footprint. For more information on E-power, visit www.pplelectric.com/e-power.

PPL Electric Utilities, a subsidiary of PPL Corporation (NYSE: PPL), provides electric delivery services to about 1.4 million customers in Pennsylvania and has consistently ranked among the best companies for customer service in the United States. More information is available at www.pplelectric.com.

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