

## Exciting Updates to the 2025 Energy Efficiency Program

Zia Natural Gas Company has refreshed its Energy Efficiency Program for 2025, offering more ways than ever to save on energy costs. This year's updates include expanded rebate options for both heating and water systems. For example, customers upgrading from electric heat to a high-efficiency gas furnace (AFUE 95% or higher) can now receive up to **\$325**, and tankless water heaters with a UEF of 0.67 or higher still qualify for a **\$200 rebate**. New construction rebates have also been streamlined, with up to **\$900** available for homes over 2,000 sq. ft. that meet energy-efficient criteria. These changes reflect Zia's commitment to helping customers reduce utility bills while improving comfort and sustainability.

### What's New for Income-Qualified Customers

The 2025 Income-Qualified Energy Efficiency Program continues to provide no-cost home energy assessments and same-day installations of energy-saving upgrades. This year, the program has expanded its offerings to include **attic insulation, air and duct sealing, and digital thermostats**, in addition to low-flow showerheads and faucet aerators. Income eligibility thresholds have also been updated, making it easier for more households to qualify. For example, a household of four now qualifies with an annual income of up to **\$64,300**. Multi-family property owners who house income-qualified tenants can also benefit from custom incentives based on energy savings, making this a great opportunity for landlords to improve their properties while supporting their tenants.

### Schedule Your Free Home Evaluation Today

If you think you may qualify for the Income-Qualified Program, and are interested in making your home more energy efficient, now is the perfect time to act. Zia Natural Gas Company and CLEAResult will soon be scheduling evaluations in your area. Don't miss your chance to receive free energy-saving upgrades and expert advice tailored to your home. Call **575-249-1428** to set up your home evaluation today or email [zngceneryefficiency@clearresult.com](mailto:zngceneryefficiency@clearresult.com) to get on the list and start saving!

Household size	Maximum Income Level (per Year)
1	\$31,300
2	\$42,300
3	\$53,300
4	\$64,300
5	\$75,300
6	\$86,300
7	\$97,300
8	\$108,300

## Legal Notice

**ZIA NATURAL GAS COMPANY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND A PUBLIC ADVISORY MEETING.  
ZIA IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO DEVELOP AN INTEGRATED RESOURCE PLAN.**

This involves public comment on Zia's existing gas supply planning and its future supply demands in each of Zia's operating districts, with the objective of obtaining a cost effective energy portfolio that meets the needs of its customers and provides for methods of promoting the efficient use of energy. If you are interested in attending any of the IRP meetings, please contact Michele Gray at 575-378-4277 or by email at [mgray@zngc.com](mailto:mgray@zngc.com).

**Lea County - Hobbs City Council Meeting**, June 16th at 6:00 pm at the City Hall Commission Chamber, 200 East Broadway.

**Lincoln County - Ruidoso Village Council Meeting**, July 8th at 1:00 pm at the Ruidoso Village Hall, 313 Cree Meadows Drive.

**Lincoln County Commission Meeting**, July 15th at 8:30 am at the Lincoln County Courthouse, 300 Central Ave. in Carrizozo.

**Colfax County - Springer City Council Meeting**, September 16th at 5:30 pm at the Springer City Hall, 606 Colbert Ave.

**Dona Ana County Commission Meeting**, November 11th at 9:00 am at the Dona Ana County Government Center, 845 N. Motel Blvd. in Las Cruces.

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## Congratulations to the 2025 Zia Natural Gas Company Scholarship Recipients!

We are proud to recognize this year's outstanding scholarship winners:

**Emily Schroeder**  
Capitan

**Jeremiah Hill**  
Carrizozo

**Nicholas Hernandez**  
Gadsden

**Brandon Avalos**  
Hatch

**Abigale Tramell**  
Hobbs

**Orlando Ruiz**  
Ruidoso

**Ayanalisa Mendoza**



# Zia Natural Gas Company



## RECIPE

### HUMMINGBIRD CAKE

#### Ingredients

2 cups mashed ripe bananas  
1-1/2 cups canola oil  
3 large eggs, room temp  
1 8 oz can crushed pineapple  
1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla  
3 cups all-purpose flour  
2 cups sugar  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon baking soda  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1 cup chopped walnuts

#### PINEAPPLE FROSTING:

1/4 cup shortening  
2 tablespoons butter, softened  
1 teaspoon grated lemon zest  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
6 cups confectioners' sugar  
1/2 cup unsweetened pineapple juice  
2 teaspoons half-and-half cream  
Chopped walnuts, optional



#### Directions

1. In a large bowl, beat the bananas, oil, eggs, pineapple and vanilla until well blended.
2. In another bowl, combine the flour, sugar, salt, baking soda and cinnamon; gradually beat into banana mixture until blended. Stir in walnuts.
3. Pour into 3 greased and floured 9-in. round baking pans. Bake at 350° until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, 25-30 minutes. Cool for 10 minutes before removing from pans to wire racks to cool completely.
4. For frosting, in a large bowl, beat the shortening, butter, lemon zest and salt until fluffy. Add confectioners' sugar alternately with pineapple juice. Beat in cream. Spread between layers and over top and side of cake. If desired, sprinkle with walnuts.

**June 15th Celebrating the  
strength, love, and guidance of  
dads everywhere.  
Happy Father's Day!**



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Ruidoso

**June 14th Annual Youth Fishing Day** Break out the small rods and reels for young anglers to test their skills at the 30th Youth Fishing Day held at Grindstone Lake from 8am to 1pm. This free event is open to children 12 and younger.

**June 21st Taste of The Spencer** Join us at 6pm at Spencer Theater for an unforgettable evening of elegance and community spirit. Indulge in a plated lobster tail and filet mignon dinner, perfectly paired with generous pours of fine wines. This premier fundraiser includes a live auction. Tickets are \$145. Open to everyone.

### Hobbs

**June 16th IRP Public Advisory Meeting** This involves public comment on Zia's existing gas supply planning and its future supply demands with the objective of obtaining a cost effective energy portfolio that meets the needs of its customers and provides for methods of promoting the efficient use of energy. Meeting starts 6pm at Hobbs City Hall located at 200 E. Broadway. Please RSVP to [mgray@zngc.com](mailto:mgray@zngc.com).

**June 21st 3rd Annual Fundraiser for Hele Houston's Justice House** to raise funds for their mission dedicated to helping individuals break free from destructive cycles, government dependency, and recidivism. The organization focuses on empowering both adults and youth through a variety of supportive services. From 5:30pm to 8pm at 2901 West Millen Drive, Hobbs.

### Las Cruces

**June 14th Butterfly Flutterby Wildlife Wonders** at the Chihuahuan Desert Nature Park! Join us for free fun & educational family friendly activities! From 9am to 12pm, located at 56501 N. Jornada Rd. Las Cruces. Butterfly-themed arts and crafts for kids and families, educational booths about butterfly species, their habitats, and conservation. Live displays and expert talks about butterflies and pollinators. Collection of trading cards featuring New Mexican butterfly species in need of conservation.

### Raton

**June 12th to 15th Annual Summer Carnival** at Raton High School. Pre-Sale Tickets available at all InBank locations in Raton and Trinidad. Pre-Sale Tickets will be sold until June 12 at 4pm. Pre-sale tickets are \$25. Tickets at the event are \$35.

**Reminder:** We use this section for our local communities. The messages must be non-partisan and non-religious. Non-profit organizations messages will be given preference. Please send the information to [csifuentes@zngc.com](mailto:csifuentes@zngc.com) before the 10th of the month to make the following month edition. Thank you.

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