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# Natural Gas News

## Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program LIHEAP:

### Notice of Winter Shut-Off Protection

Protection from winter shut-off begins November 15, 2025. To avoid potential disconnection of services please contact the Human Services Department at 800-283-4465, or the appropriate tribal or pueblo entity, for eligibility information for the LIHEAP program. Your service will not be disconnected from November 15, 2025 through March 15, 2026, if you meet the qualifications of LIHEAP and have no past due amounts or remain current on any installment agreements for amounts due as of November 15, 2025.

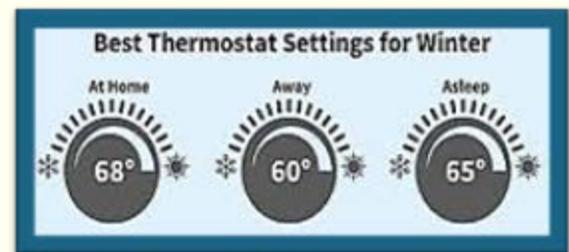
Members of New Mexico’s tribes or pueblos who need help with translation or with other matters may contact the commission’s consumer relations division at 888-427-5772, who will contact the appropriate tribal or pueblo official for assistance. For an application, please visit [www.hsd.state.nm.us](http://www.hsd.state.nm.us).



## Colder Months are Upon us, Start Preparing Now!

### Zia’s Guide to Help You Save Money This Fall /Winter Season:

- Keep thermostats low and consistent
- Look into winterizing your home
- Check out our Energy Efficiency Program
- Apply for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)



### Why Winterize Your Home?

Winterizing protects your home from freezing temperatures, lowers energy cost, and helps avoid costly damage. Scan the QR code for info on winterizing your home.

### How to Winterize Your Home:

1. Seal drafts & insulate
2. Protect plumbing
3. Maintain your heating system
4. Check the fireplace & chimney
5. Prep roof & gutters



**Bonus tips: Reverse ceiling fan to spin clockwise- this helps push warm air back down. Keep your garage door closed to protect pipes and retain heat.**

### Save Money and Energy!

We’re excited to share our **Energy Efficiency Program** with you! Discover simple ways to make your home more comfortable, lower your bills, and help the environment — all at the same time!

Scan the code on the right for more info.

- ✓ Easy steps for every season
- ✓ Practical tips for winterizing your home
- ✓ Exclusive rebates, resources, and support



### Apply for Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP):

LIHEAP helps low-income household pay for heating, cooling, and energy- related emergencies. Eligibility is based on income & household size; programs vary by state. If you are interested, please stop into the office for a free application or scan the following QR code for an instant printable application. Available in English and Spanish.



SCAN TO PAY



EASY ACCESS PROVIDED TO YOU.

SCAN THE PROVIDED QR CODE TO PAY YOUR ZIA GAS UTILITY BILL IN MINUTES!



### RECIPE: Grilled Breakfast Sandwiches

#### Ingredients: (This recipe makes 4 sandwiches)

- 4 Everything Bagels
- 4 Breakfast Sausage Patties
- Salt & Pepper to taste
- 4 Slices of Cheddar Cheese
- 4 Eggs
- ¼ Cup of Mayonnaise
- 1 Tomato, thinly sliced
- Lettuce



#### Directions:

1. Heat grill to medium (350°F–450°F) with a cast iron griddle.
2. Cook sausage patties 3–4 minutes per side, or until they reach 165°F.
3. Toast bagels on the top rack.
4. While meat rests, fry eggs on the griddle.
6. Assemble: meat on bun base, top with egg, tomato, lettuce, and mayonnaise.
7. Serve & enjoy.



## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Ruidoso

**September 19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> Motor Mountain Weekend** Come out for concerts, vendors, food trucks, competitions, and rides.

For more info visit

<https://www.visitruidoso.com/events/calendar/motor-mountain-weekend-2/>

**September 27<sup>th</sup> Ruidoso Oktoberfest 9pm-10pm** Beer, German food and lots of fun for the whole family. Entertainment all day outside on the main stage and inside on the Riverside live stage! 2704 Sudderth Dr.

For more info visit

<https://www.visitruidoso.com/events/calendar/ruidoso-oktoberfest/>

### Hobbs

**September 13<sup>th</sup> Encore Entertainment Season Opener Event 6pm-8pm** at the Western Heritage Museum. There will be food, friends, and fun with entertainment provided by the Northshore Jazz trio. This event is FREE!

### Las Cruces

**September 20<sup>th</sup> Movies in the Park- Snow White** Free fun activity presented by the City of Las Cruces, Movies in the Park begins at dusk at 302 S. Main St. (formerly Amador LIVE). The schedule is subject to change.

Bring your own popcorn!

For more info visit <https://lascruces.gov/arts-and-leisure/parks-and-recreation/events/movies-in-the-park/>

**September 21<sup>st</sup> Mesilla Valley Jazz and Blues Society 6:30pm-10pm** An evening of swinging jazz tunes at Alma d' Arte Charter High School. Society members and members of the public are all welcome. Tickets are \$5 for members and \$10 for non-members and are available for purchase at the door or ahead of time online. Location: Alma d' Arte Charter High School

### Maxwell/Springer/Cimarron

**September 16<sup>th</sup> Colfax County IRP Presentation**– Springer City Council Meeting. Join Zia for the presentation of its Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) to discuss Zia's existing gas supply planning and future supply needs. 5:30pm at the Springer City Hall, 606 Colbert Ave.

**Reminder:** This section is for local, non-partisan, non-religious, non-profit messages. Preference given to nonprofits. Submit by the 10th to [customerservice@zngc.com](mailto:customerservice@zngc.com) for inclusion in next month's edition. Thank you!

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