

# **MAY 2021**

**BRYAN TEXAS UTILITIES** NEWS

#### **HOLIDAY CLOSURES:**

**Memorial Day** Monday, May 31, 2021

#### **BILL PAYMENT**

**Kiosk locations accepting** credit cards, cash and checks:

**HEB** 

1609 N. Texas Ave.

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725 E. Villa Maria

#### BTU Drive-Through

205 E. 28th St. Open 24 hours

Bring your BTU account number, BTU bill, keycard or reminder letter.

Payments can be made 24 hours a day via the "e-payment" option by calling 979.821.5700. Account number and credit card required.

#### www.btutilities.com

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#### **Primary Address:**

205 E. 28th St., Bryan, TX 77803

#### **Mailing Address:**

PO Box 8000, Bryan, TX 77805





### with Energy-Efficient Upgrades

Since 2002, May has become known as National Home Improvement Month. This year, consider improving your home by adding insulation to your attic or exterior walls, replacing old single-pane windows with Energy Star® certified windows, or adding solar screens to your existing windows. All three of these home improvements fall under BTU's SmartHOME program, which means you may qualify to receive a 10%-25% incentive check.

To qualify for the SmartHOME incentives, the customer must be the owner of single- or multi-family permanent dwelling in the BTU service area. Before and after pictures of the improvements are required, and rebate percentages are calculated based on the estimated average kilowatt savings of the improvements.

#### Attic/Exterior Wall Insulation

The attic and wall insulation incentive is based on an increase of insulation effectiveness, which is measured in R-values. An insulation project qualifies if your home's attic has an existing R-value of less than R-22 and insulation is added to raise the value to R-30 or higher. For wall insulation to qualify, the exterior walls must not have any existing insulation and must be raised to R-13 or higher.

#### **Energy Star®** Windows

Energy Star® certified windows help prevent heat gain from the sun during the summer and reduce heat loss in the winter. Replacing your existing single pane windows with Energy Star® certified windows could save you an average of 12 percent a year on energy bills. In order to qualify, the upgraded windows must be Energy Star® certified for our area of Texas or you can purchase windows that are certified for all 50 states.

#### Solar Screens

Solar screens are made to reflect the sun's rays to reduce solar heat gain, ultraviolet light damage, and glare. Adding solar screens to your east and west facing windows can block at least 65% of the sun's ultraviolet rays entering your home. By reducing the solar heat gain in your home, your air conditioner won't have to work as hard to cool the house.

# **BRYAN PARKS & RECREATION** N SUMMER JOBS!









#### Do you know of someone ages 16+ looking for a fun job this summer? Bryan Parks & Recreation is hiring Lifeguards for Summer 2021.

You don't need to be certified to apply. If selected to be hired, we will certify you for FREE! Lifeguard staff will also receive a guard suit, t-shirts, hip pack and whistle at no additional charge. We offer flexible schedules and opportunities for advancement. Another plus, American Red Cross certifications are a great addition to college applications and resumes.

Fill out an application at www.bryantxjobs.com.

If you have questions about the Lifeguard position, please contact Lexi Durbin at acdurbin@bryantx.gov or 979-209-5223.





## **CONSERVATION TIPS**

#### **Energy Conservation Tip:**

Turn off ceiling fans when you leave the room. Remember that fans cool people, not rooms, by creating a wind chill effect.





#### **Water Conservation Tip:**

Dirty car? Go to the car wash! Washing your vehicle at home can use 100+ gallons of water versus the 40 gallons or less that is used by a commercial car wash.