



## Give Back and Share The Warmth This Holiday Season

Share The Warmth is a partnership between Oklahoma Natural Gas and The Salvation Army to provide energy bill assistance to Oklahomans who cannot cover their winter home heating expenses.



### NEED HELP?

Share The Warmth is available to residents of communities served by Oklahoma Natural Gas, and all applications are processed through The Salvation Army. If you're facing financial hardship, visit [OklahomaNaturalGas.com/Cares](https://OklahomaNaturalGas.com/Cares).

### WANT TO HELP OTHERS?

This holiday season, consider spreading some cheer to those in need by contributing. Just log in to your account and click on Share the Warmth. You can designate a fixed amount to be added to your monthly bill or round up your bill to the next whole dollar amount. You also may contribute by checking the Share the Warmth box on your printed bill and adding the extra amount to your bill payment. All contributions to Share the Warmth are tax-deductible. Donations to the program cover the cost of any home heating source, not just natural gas.

## 6 Tips to Keep the Cold Out and More Money in Your Pocket

During winter's chill we use more energy to heat our homes. And the more natural gas we consume, the higher the bill will be. But we're not entirely at nature's mercy — here are six easy ways to be more energy efficient.

**1** Stay warm, not hot

**2** Seal leaks around doors and windows

**3** Reduce the temp on your water heater

**4** Change or clean filters

**5** Install foam gaskets on electrical switches and outlets

**6** Close blinds and curtains

For more tips on how to start saving money today, visit [OklahomaNaturalGas.com/EnergyTips](https://OklahomaNaturalGas.com/EnergyTips).



## 'Tis the Season for Extra Savings

Get ready for the colder weather and save by using one of Oklahoma Natural Gas Energy Efficiency Program rebates. Currently, you can receive up to \$2,500 for the purchase and installation of a new natural gas furnace. Information can be found on our website at [Oklahoma Natural Gas - Residential Rebates](#). The program also offers rebates for ranges, tankless water heaters and clothes dryers.



## Winter Safety Tip: Keep Your Vents Clear of Snow and Ice

Did you know the accumulation of snow and ice increases the potential for damage or obstruction to your natural gas appliance air vents as well as natural gas meters, regulators and other above-ground pipeline facilities?

Snow and ice should be cleared from the exhaust and combustion air vents of natural gas appliances to keep them operating smoothly and to prevent carbon monoxide from entering your home or other structures. Extreme care should be taken when removing ice or snow. Never try to chip ice off of a natural gas meter. When clearing your vents, use a broom instead of a shovel to avoid causing damage.

Always remember, if you smell a rotten egg-like odor in or around your home, neighborhood or at work, it may be the result of a natural gas leak. Leave the area immediately and then call 911 and Oklahoma Natural Gas at 800-458-4251. For more information about natural gas safety, visit [OklahomaNaturalGas.com/safety](https://OklahomaNaturalGas.com/safety).

## Recipe of the Month

### *Holiday Apple Cider*

#### Ingredients

- 10 cups apple juice
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- 4 whole cloves
- 1 teaspoon ground allspice
- 1 Granny Smith apple sliced
- 1 Fuji apple sliced
- 1 orange sliced
- 1 cup cranberries



#### Instructions

1. Bring the ingredients to a boil, cover pot, reduce heat and simmer for 1 hour.
2. Strain apple mixture through a fine mesh sieve. Discard solids. Drain cider again through a cheese-cloth-lined sieve. Refrigerate until cold.
3. Garnish with additional fruit, if desired.

