What Affects My Utility Bill?

- Size of House
- Number of people living in the house
- Amount of insulation in walls, floors, and ceilings
- Clothes dryer
- Hot water heater: setting, washing, baths
- Type of windows and doors
- Cracks around house
- Trees or lack of trees: shade
- Dripping faucet: especially hot water
- Bathroom commode that leaks
- Appliances that run constantly
- Not changing furnace/AC filters regularly
- Washing cars often
- Watering the garden, plants and yard
- Leaving lights on during the day/night
- Heat with baseboard heat, heat pump, wood or fuel oil
- Not closing blinds during the summer on the sunny side of the house
- Not opening blinds during the winter on the sunny side of the house
- Too high a thermostat setting