Tenant Focus

Sacramento Resident Advisory Board 1725 K Street #101 Sacramento, CA 95811

Simple ways to keep your home cooler in summer By Angela Hall

In Sacramento, summer's energy bills can be as brutal as the temperature outdoors. Here are some simple things you can do to reduce your cooling costs:

Close the shades and drapes.

Keeping the sun out can reduce the temperature inside your home by several degrees.

Use the unit's fan settings wisely.

When it's humid, keep your unit's fan running, even if the air conditioner is off. It will circulate the air and keep you more comfortable. Don't waste energy running them if you're not home.

Regularly clean or replace your air filter.

Notice:

This helps your unit perform optimally, which saves you money.

Do not use your air conditioner unreasonably

Another potential cause is running a unit with a very cold set point (i.e. turning the target temperature down very low) on low fan speed for an extended period of time. This can cause excess condensate to build up on the coils, further lowering the temperature of the coil and leading to icing.

Icing can be caused by a number of factors. Units that have not been cleaned over a long period of time may have coils and fins clogged by dust, dirt or debris. Clogged coils and fins restrict air flow through the unit, which can cause the compressor to work even harder – so hard, that it may reduce the coil temperature below the normal range in an attempt to make up for the lost cooling power from the blocked coils.

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1725 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95811

Quarterly Meeting is scheduled for July 30, 2013

Keep your home cooler ...

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Every degree matters

Did you know that raising the temperature on your thermostat by just 1 or 2 degrees can make a big impact on your cooling bills? You'll

save 5–7% on cooling costs for every degree above 72°F that you set your thermostat. So before you set your unit to a chilly 68, think about how much you could save by upping the temperature just a few degrees.

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Our college book scholarship program opens again in August!

- •We have budgeted \$1500.00 for the program
- Scholarships are issued on a first come first served basis (when all requirements are met)
- There is availability of \$200.00 per person for books for those who live in conventional housing
 - We can issue a reimbursement check
 - We can order the books on line and you can pick them up at our office

- We can 'rent' books from your school
- We also can get books for the Kindle or Nook
- If you drop the class within three weeks of the beginning of the semester; we want our money back
- There is one additional \$200.00 book scholarship for tenants of other SHRA managed properties (non-ACC)

Program requirements:

- You must live in housing served by the funding source
- You must provide proof of registration for your classes

- The books must be 'required' by the course (We do not fund optional books)
- You must provide your class schedule
- You must submit the original receipts for a reimbursement check
- You must provide current address, email and phone number
- We may verify some of these items with your housing manager

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Then at 1:00 the bus will begin picking up for the Winco trip at 6th & I.

These trips are scheduled:

- •July 3, 2013
- •August 7, 2013
- •September 4, 2013
- •October 9, 2013

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