

Custer PPD Donates Kill A Watt Meters to Local Libraries

Custer Public Power District is donating Kill A Watt meters to several libraries in its service territory as part of their ongoing EnergyWise program with Nebraska Public Power District.

The Kill A Watt meters can be checked out and taken home to help patrons find how much energy their appliances are consuming. Borrowers can see how turning certain items off can save on their bills. The meters also help understand the benefit of buying an ENERGY STAR appliance when it is time to buy a new item.

Compare how much energy your current appliances are using with the energystar.gov site to find how much a new ENERGY STAR model costs to run. The information will be useful if the time comes to replace any of the appliances.



As the cost of energy goes up, more people are becoming concerned about their utility costs. Consumers are looking for ways to manage their energy use and reduce costs. Using a Kill A Watt meter is a simple way to see how much energy is used.

Find “phantom load” in your home. Find how much items are costing you when they are plugged in, yet not in use – you may be surprised. Simply unplugging them gives you instant savings. Items that typically cause “phantom load” when plugged in, yet not in use are: cell phone chargers, coffee makers (with a display that has lights on at all times), TVs, computers, anything that is left in a stand-by mode when not in use or anything that has a transformer-type plug in, such as a hair dryer.

Items on which to use the Kill A Watt meter:

- Air conditioners
- Refrigerators
- Freezers
- Microwaves
- Stereos
- TVs
- Fans
- Computers
- Heaters
- Game Systems
- Washing machines
- Or any appliance the uses energy!

Libraries where you can check out a Kill A Watt meter:

Broken Bow Arnold Callaway Dunning Merna Mullen
Oconto Sargent Taylor Thedford Stapleton