



Massachusetts

# Interfaith Power & Light

Promoting environmental justice  
and care of creation  
with the community of faith  
in Massachusetts

## STEP UP and Do Your Part

Stewardship is what we do,  
Cost is the consequence of our actions.  
So the question is,  
What are you going to do? Who is it going to help?

Now is the time for a **Home Energy Audit**.  
Act promptly to ensure that you have done all that you  
can for environmental stewardship in your own home...  
and then tell your friends.

Call 1-800-632-8300

Or at [www.MassSave.com](http://www.MassSave.com)

And when the audit is complete, implement the  
findings... Appliances, Heating, Cooling +++  
And be sure to benefit from the Utility Company rebate  
programs... and then, again, tell your friends!

## Track your Utility Use and Cost

The only way to know what you are using and what you  
are paying is to keep track. MIP&L has an easy-to-use  
spreadsheet. The example shows a typical "house of  
worship" heat use.

Year	Bill Date	\$	% increase		\$/therm	% increase therms	Degree Days	% increase Degree Days
			\$s	Therms				
2006	January	\$5,190.90	163.29%	3,076	\$1.69	126.79%	568	65.44%
	February	\$4,034.22	102.52%	2,374	\$1.70	74.21%	667	100.91%
	March	\$4,027.30	128.37%	2,684	\$1.50	106.13%	502	83.11%
	April	\$2,750.01	100.21%	1,855	\$1.48	84.36%	178	102.89%
	May	\$1,626.20	106.59%	1,064	\$1.53	95.43%	66	60.00%
	June	\$818.74	88.39%	607	\$1.35	75.40%	0	
	July	\$182.50	112.61%	36	\$5.07	94.74%	0	
	August	\$170.24	91.48%	33	\$5.16	94.29%	0	
	September	\$175.80	112.12%	38	\$4.63	105.56%	2	
	October	\$192.83	97.25%	47	\$4.10	130.56%	88	91.67%
	November	\$710.90	48.82%	600	\$1.18	81.52%	199	73.98%
	December	\$2,100.28	83.87%	1,215	\$1.73	83.97%	433	62.57%
		\$21,979.92	109.29%	13,629	\$1.61	93.34%	2,703	77.72%

Go to the Congregation Energy Use and Efficiency  
section of [www.MIPandL.org](http://www.MIPandL.org) and download and use.  
The spreadsheet compares use, cost and degree days to  
same month in prior year. You can get past history of  
your gas and electricity use by calling the utility

company with your account number. Get water use  
from your Town. Each will send the information.

## GREEN-UP

To choose clean energy, go to our website  
([www.MIPandL.org](http://www.MIPandL.org)) and click on the "Clean Energy  
Choice" button. You can also go to  
[www.CleanEnergyChoice.org](http://www.CleanEnergyChoice.org)  
to learn about the matching grant program.

Through the Clean Energy Choice program, you can:

- ◆ Support clean energy.
- ◆ Earn money for clean energy projects for your town or city.
- ◆ Earn money for clean energy projects to benefit low-income assistance programs throughout Massachusetts.

For every dollar you spend on clean electricity, there is  
a match of up to \$1 for your community and up to \$1  
for low-income communities in MA. This match is from  
the **Massachusetts Technology Collaborative**.

## Host a Global Warming Café

at home or your house of worship.  
Practical steps to calculate one's  
**Carbon Footprint**  
Then learn how to go on a **Lo-Carb Diet!**

## Oil Users - Congregation or Home

In addition to using the most efficient equipment, save  
money by participating in an oil-buying group  
In Central/Western Mass call **413-545-0865**  
**AND ... USE BIO-FUEL**

# SIGN UP

## INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS

- Senior/Student/Limited Income - \$15
- Basic membership, individual - \$25
- Basic membership, family - \$35
- Ultra Green membership - \$100
- Ultra Green family membership - \$250
- Lifetime Green member, individual - \$500
- Lifetime Green member, family - \$1,000

Congregation Memberships are based on Budget  
\$50/year if budget is below \$150,000  
\$100/ year if budget is \$150,000 > \$350,000  
\$150/year if budget is over \$350,000

### Congregation Members

#### Declaration of Intent

We are eager to become better stewards of the earth and to support the work of Massachusetts Interfaith Power & Light. We will work toward a coherent program of responsible stewardship of natural resources, for our congregation's facilities, in our congregants' homes and in our community.

Congregation \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone/Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized signature \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name of signer \_\_\_\_\_

### **Make checks payable to Massachusetts Interfaith Power & Light**

And mail to Massachusetts Interfaith Power & Light,  
1773 Beacon Street, Brookline, MA 02445

**Truly, this is a win-win-win!**  
**It is quite simply the right thing to do.**  
**If we don't, who will?**

And go to [www.MIPandL.org](http://www.MIPandL.org) to get a wide range of helpful information, including **EveryDay Stewardship** briefs that make it simple and practical and beneficial to do the right thing!