



# Winterville at Work!

**ELECTRIC UTILITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

Town of Winterville and Carolina Power Partners have partnered together with Greene Lamp Community Action to be able to provide a one-time energy assistance credit to qualifying customers.\*

\*Utility account must be held in applicant's name and income verification is required.

Applications may be picked up at Customer Service

**UPDATE**  
Winterville Utilities Electric Rate Change  
"Power Cost Adjustment (PCA)"

As everyone is aware, Winterville enacted a Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) to the Electric portion of the Town's Utility Bill in the Fall of 2022. This was done in an effort to keep the Town's financial position secure during the recent global events which has had an adverse impact on the costs of purchasing energy.

The original PCA was \$.05 per kWh. In March, 2023, Town Council lowered the PCA to \$.025 per kWh as some of the energy pricing increases have decreased for the time being.

The Town is committed to continually reviewing the energy market and making more positive adjustments in the PCA as we are able to level the financial impact to the Town. Staff will continue to review all options available to the Town and will keep citizens aware and changes are made. Thank you for your continued patience during these challenging times!

Please contact Customer Services at (252)756-2221 ext. 8009 with any questions or concerns.

**Important Dates**

Monday, June 5 @ 6:00 pm  
FY 23-24 Budget Public Hearing  
Town Hall Assembly Room  
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Thursday, June 8 @ 4:00 pm  
Agenda Review Meeting  
Executive Conference Room  
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Monday, June 12 @ 6:00 pm  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Town Hall Assembly Room  
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Tuesday, June 13 @ 7:00 pm  
Planning and Zoning Board  
Town Hall Assembly Room  
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Tuesday, June 20 @ 7:00 pm  
Board of Adjustment  
Town Hall Assembly Room  
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Thursday June 22 @ 7:00 pm  
Human Relations Board  
Executive Conference Room  
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Tuesday, June 27 @ 6:30 pm  
Recreation Advisory Board  
Operations Center

**OTHER RESOURCES**

Please see Area Resource List at the following link:  
[https://www.wintervillenc.com/Data/Sites/1/media/resource\\_list\\_update\\_20202023.pdf](https://www.wintervillenc.com/Data/Sites/1/media/resource_list_update_20202023.pdf)

**SMOKE ALARMS**

If you need assistance with checking your **smoke alarms** or changing the battery, please contact the Winterville Fire-Rescue-EMS Department at (252) 756-2515 or email at [fireinspections@wintervillenc.com](mailto:fireinspections@wintervillenc.com)

**EMERGENCY DIAL**  
911

**Town Offices Closed-Monday, May 29, 2023—Memorial Day Holiday**

**June Energy Saving Tips**

- ◆ During warmer months, close blinds, shades and drapes on the sunny side of your home to help keep your home's temperature cooler and reduce the work for you AC. Open shades during cooler months to let the sun warm your home.
- ◆ Don't leave your electronics on all day long. Only turn on your computer, monitor, printer and fax machine when you need them.
- ◆ Using your ceiling fan will allow you to raise the thermostat setting about 4 degrees with no reduction in comfort.
- ◆ Use ceiling fans. Cooling your home with ceiling fans will allow you to raise your thermostat four degrees. This can help lower your electricity bills without sacrificing overall comfort.
- ◆ Install window treatments. Energy efficient window treatments or coverings such as blinds, shades and films can slash heat gain when temperatures rise. These devices not only improve the look of your home but also reduce energy costs.
- ◆ Set the thermostat. On warm days, setting a programmable thermostat to a higher setting when you are not at home can help reduce your energy costs by approximately 10 percent.
- ◆ Use bathroom fans during and after baths and showers until the humid air has been evacuated. Bathroom fans suck out heat and humidity from your home, improving comfort.

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## BEWARE OF THE GREASE GOBLIN

### Did You Know...

Most sanitary sewer backups occur between your home and the Town's sewer main? You can help prevent a costly and unsanitary overflow by following a few simple steps:

#### Do

- \* Scrape excess grease in a container and dispose of it in the garbage.
- \* Place food scraps in waste containers or garbage bags for disposal with solid wastes, or start a compost pile; promote use of scraping prior to washing.
- \* Place a wastebasket in the bathroom to dispose of solid waste. Disposable diapers, condoms, and personal hygiene products do not belong in the sewer system.
- \* Promote the concept of "3 R's": Reduce, Reuse, Recycle.

#### Do Not

- \* Pour grease, fats, and oils from cooking down the drain.
- \* Use the toilet as a wastebasket.
- \* Use the sewer as a means of disposing food scraps.

## Yard Waste

### Are You Contributing to Storm Drain Blockage?

If you are placing your grass clippings, leaves, limbs, or other debris on the sidewalks, streets, storm drains, or drainage ways; then the answer is yes.

You are contributing to storm drain blockage.

These not only create a visible nuisance, but it creates major problems:

- It causes a traffic hazard due to vehicles turning out to miss it.
- As it rains the waste is washed down into the storm drain system and builds up, which in turn causes flooding problems.
- Do not place grass clipping, yards debris, or anything else in the storm drain ditches. These drainage ways must remain open and clear of debris to keep from flooding.

### Waste Pick Up By the Town

The Town of Winterville will **NOT** pick up any yard waste that is placed in the street. Yard waste must be placed behind the curb and away from utility poles and other services for the town to pick it up.

Chapter 98.028 of the Code of Ordinances prohibits placement of objects in streets, gutters, and other drainage ways.

## Parks & Recreation: 2023 Summer Movie & Concert Series

Winterville Recreation Park Amphitheatre, 332 Sylvania Street, Winterville, NC 28590. Admission is free and the concession stand will be open for all refreshment needs.

### 2023 Concerts

All bands play 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Band</u>
6/9/2023	The Main Event Band
7/14/2023	Dakota Blue Band
9/8/2023	Spare Change
10/6/2023	Chocolate Chip & Company

### 2023 Movie in the Park

All movies begin at dusk (approximately 30 minutes after sunset).

<u>Show Date</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Rating</u>
6/16/2023	Lightyear	PG
7/7/2023	Minions: The Rise of Gru	PG
9/16/2023	Super Mario Bros	PG
10/13/2023	Trick or Treat Scooby-Doo!	NR

For additional information please visit:

<https://www.wintervillenc.com/parks-and-recreation>  
or call 252-756-1487.

## Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But, a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

- \* Only use your grill outside. Keep it at least 3 feet from siding, deck rails and eaves.
- \* Keep a 3-foot safe zone around your grill. This will keep kids and pets safe.
- \* Open your gas grill before lighting.
- \* Keep an eye on your grill, fire pit or patio torches. Don't walk away from them when they are lit.
- \* Clean your grill after each use. This will remove grease that can start a fire.
- \* Place the coals from your grill in a metal can with a lid once they have cooled.

**Water/Sewer Emergency Contact Phone: (252) 902-6327**

**Electric Emergency Contact Phone: (252) 902-6328**

**Fire/Rescue/Police Emergency Phone: DIAL 911**

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