

# The Flash

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Providing Power and Information to the Alameda Community

## AMP Celebrates Public Power Week and Energy Awareness Month

This month Alameda Municipal Power (AMP) celebrates Public Power Week (Oct. 7-13) and Energy Awareness Month. And what two occasions could complement each other more in our island city, where business, government, and residents are committed to utilizing renewable sources and conserving energy. In this spirit, AMP wants to remind you there is a plethora of energy efficiency tools and programs available to help you continue reducing your energy consumption and saving money.

To help find your home's hidden energy eaters, use the energy calculators on AMP's website to compare

how much it costs to operate your home appliances and lighting. More than 50 different electronic devices are covered in the calculators, from TVs and refrigerators to sleep apnea machines and whirlpool tubs. Just select your type of appliances, enter the number of hours you use them each day and press calculate. Associated electricity costs for each pops up, along with an annual household total. Change your



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### The Marketplace Supports Alameda Green!

AMP is proud to welcome The Marketplace to its new Alameda Green program, which enables customers to choose 100 percent renewable energy. The Marketplace is the program's first business participant!

This renewable power commitment, approximately 123,900 kilowatt hours derived from clean wind and solar generation sources, will avoid the annual

**"Alameda Green fits perfectly with our goals as a local, sustainable business by enabling my business to choose 100 percent clean, renewable energy. I hear often from our customers how much they appreciate our commitment to being as green as we can be."**  
– Donna Layburn, owner of the Marketplace.

release of over 154,600 pounds of carbon dioxide, a potent greenhouse gas. This has the carbon emissions equivalent of 15 acres of forest storing carbon for one year, or removing 13 cars from the road.

This purchase also makes The Marketplace eligible to join the U.S. EPA Green Power



Partnership, a national program that encourages organizations to buy renewable energy as a means of reducing the environmental impacts associated with electricity use.

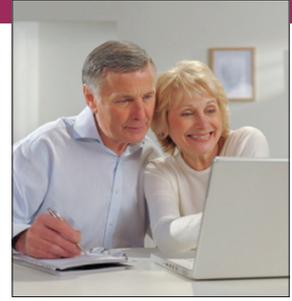
The Marketplace is located on Park Street and is home to ten locally owned and independently operated businesses that focus on gourmet, all-natural, sustainable, handmade, artisan and organic foods. For more information on Alameda Green, please visit [www.alamedamp.com/power/green](http://www.alamedamp.com/power/green). Sign up today for a cleaner environment. ♻️

## Sign Up for eCare to Manage Your Account Online

Did you know you can go totally paperless and manage your account online? AMP's eCare system allows you to view and pay your current bill, access up to two years of your bill and usage history, change contact information for your account, and start or stop service. And with the simple click of a button, you can add eBill notification to make managing your online account even easier. With eBill notification, AMP will send you an email each month letting you know your bill is ready for your review and payment.

It's that easy!

AMP's eCare system is a secure, convenient way to manage your utility account from the comfort of your home or office. To sign up, visit [www.alamedamp.com/customer-service/paying-your-bill](http://www.alamedamp.com/customer-service/paying-your-bill). 



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selections and see how much you can save. These tools also include an interactive house and a comprehensive energy efficiency reference library where you can learn more about how energy is used in your home.



You also can borrow a Kill-a-Watt Energy Monitor from the Alameda Library or from AMP's Service Center to measure the energy usage of your appliances and electronics by the day, week, month, or the entire year. In addition to the portable, simple-to-use monitor, you'll get worksheets and instructions to determine the energy costs for each device you test. You'll be able to identify areas in your home where you can save electricity and money! You also can check power



quality by monitoring the voltage and line frequency.

Once you've gotten a better understanding of your energy usage, take a look at AMP's energy efficiency rebates and incentives to help you find ways to save money. You'll find information about AMP's refrigerator rebate and recycling programs, residential solar rebates and LED/Advanced Technology rebates.



AMP customers can also request an Energy Audit from our "in person" residential energy auditor, who will recommend ways to specifically reduce your energy use and your costs. To get started, visit [www.alamedamp.com](http://www.alamedamp.com) and click on the Save Energy link or call AMP at 748-3900. 



## 125 Years of Fun Facts!

AMP is 125 years old! To celebrate this special milestone, we are sharing fun facts from our many years of service.

Did you know...? In the mid-1930s, the Department of Public Utilities expanded to operate several bus lines. Alas, the bus lines turned out not to be profitable, and by the end of the decade, all of the buses were sold and the Department returned to its sole focus of supplying electricity to the island.

## CLIP and KEEP!

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