



COMMANDER'S CALL TOPICS

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Priority Topic of the Week Energy Action Month

Energy Action Month

October is Energy Action Month. Throughout the month, we highlight the critical impact energy has on our ability to perform our mission. This year's theme, "Protect the Power," represents a call to action for the Air Force community to make energy-conscious decisions at work and at home, in order to enhance resilience, mission readiness, and combat capability.

Why Does the Air Force care about Energy?

Every aspect of our mission depends on a reliable supply of energy. The smart use of installation and operational energy accomplishes our mission in a more efficient and effective way.

How can I help?

Increase your awareness of the impact energy has and look for ways to optimize energy usage, without jeopardizing your mission. Remember, keep it simple – turning off lights, not idling cars, and unplugging idle electronics can have a large cumulative impact. Below are a few suggestions on how you can save energy:

- Carpool
- Don't drive aggressively
- Turn off lights, computers, and other electronics when not in use
- Turn off office equipment and monitors at the end of the day
- Make sure all air vents are clear of obstructions

Visit the SAF/IE Energy website below for a more comprehensive list on best practices for saving energy.

Energy Fast Facts?

- \$5.8B: the amount spent last year just to purchase electricity and fuel for our operations; 82% went to purchase jet fuel
- 10% reduction in our facility energy usage since 2011

Additional Information

SAF/IE Energy: <http://www.safie.hq.af.mil/Programs/Energy/>

AFCEC Energy: <http://www.afcec.af.mil/Home/Energy/>

Dept of Energy: <https://energy.gov/eere/femp/energy-action-month>

Personnel Topics of Interest

- Retired Air Force Pilots welcomed back on Active Duty (AFPC.MIL)
- AF releases CY17C LAF-J, NC, Chap Central Selection Board Results (AFPC.MIL)
- Verification of personnel data critical to enlisted promotion release (AF.MIL)

Other Topics of Interest

- Be there, be aware: Help prevent suicide (AF.MIL)

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Submissions should include:

- 1) 1-2 sentence synopsis of the issue
- 2) hyperlink to further details
- 3) a POC name and contact information.

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