# Light Reading





#### **Are You Prepared for Storms?**

During winter in the Pacific Northwest, the weather can turn dark and stormy in a matter of minutes. Extreme weather like wind storms and heavy snow can result in power outages across our service area. Keep your family comfortable, informed, and, most importantly, safe this season by following these tips.



Avoid downed power lines, and call 9-1-1 immediately if you see them.



Keep electronic devices charged. Consider purchasing a portable charger as well.



Make an emergency kit that will last for ten days. For what's needed, visit seattle.gov/emergency-management/prepare.



Never use generators or grills inside as the exhaust fumes can be deadly in enclosed spaces.



Sign up for emergency notifications at <u>alert.seattle.gov</u> and <u>kingcounty.gov/</u>
<u>ALERTKingCounty.</u>



Visit <u>seattle.gov/city-light/</u> <u>outages</u> for outage updates.

#### **Seattle City Light Rate Adjustment**

Last year, the Seattle City Council approved City Light's 2025-2026 Rate Ordinance. The established rate path includes an increase that will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2026 to address the increasing costs of delivering safe, reliable, and environmentally responsible energy. Visit <a href="mailto:powerlines.seattle.gov/2025citylightrates">powerlines.seattle.gov/2025citylightrates</a> to learn more.









## **Supporting Our Neighbors** with Project Share

Since 1990, we've helped customers pay overdue electricity bills through Project Share, an emergency program funded by your donations. Project Share is a registered charity in Washington state that offers financial assistance to help pay for essential electricity services.

How you can help: Consider donating today at seattle.gov/city-light/donate. Your contributions are tax-deductible and directly support those in need. Your help ensures families stay safe and comfortable this holiday season.

#### **Keep Loved Ones Safe with Life Support Equipment Program**

We're dedicated to making sure everyone in our community has reliable power, especially those who rely on life support equipment. If someone in your household depends on this equipment, our Life Support Equipment Program is here to help keep them safe during both planned and unexpected outages. To learn more about the program and how we can help, visit seattle.gov/city-light/life-support.

### Stay Up to Date with the Utility Services Website

Make sure your profile is up-to-date to receive updates about your energy use and learn about upcoming rate options. Whether you're new to City Light or a long-time customer, now's a great time to verify your contact details.

Sign in or register to create your profile today to stay connected to reliable service and helpful insights. Visit our website to update your information: myutilities.seattle.gov/eportal





Seattle City Light crews are always working to provide reliable service. The following projects continue across our service area:

- Updating electrical infrastructure for streetlights and floodlights.
- Replacing aging utility poles to enhance safety and reliability.

Learn more about projects in your area: seattle.gov/city-light/current-projects



Crews work around active electrical equipment, which presents dangerous situations for customers. With winter weather on the way, always maintain a safe distance from worksites and City Light employees. If you need to speak with a crew member, please wait until they come to you.





