

BWL CONNECTIONS

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2025 Annual Summary of Energy Waste Reduction & Renewable Energy Reports

In 2025, the Michigan legislature passed Public Acts 229 and 235, amending the "Clean and Renewable Energy and Energy Waste Reduction Act" (PA 295) of 2008. This new legislation maintains the requirement for electric and natural gas utilities to establish renewable energy programs and energy waste reduction (EWR) programs, which will also reduce future costs of utility service. Since 2009, the Lansing Board of Water & Light (BWL) has delivered programs that have achieved electric kilowatt hour (kWh) savings as required by the State of Michigan. These programs are summarized below:

Energy Waste Reduction - Through BWL's Hometown Energy Savers®, BWL and its residential and business electric customers saw 54,850,330 kWh of savings in 2025. To take advantage and learn more about energy reduction programs, visit lbwl.com/energysavers.

Electrification - BWL offers incentives for customers to switch from natural gas and gasoline appliances to high efficiency electric models. Incentives are now offered for e-bikes, lawn equipment, induction cooking and commercial forklifts.

Home Energy Rebates - BWL partners with retailers and contractors to offer rebates for installing efficient products such as air conditioners, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, smart thermostats and more.

Appliance Recycling - Customers can schedule free pick ups and rebates to recycle older, inefficient refrigerators, freezers, room air conditioners and dehumidifiers.

Hometown Energy Visit - Free in-home energy assessments are offered to all residential customers, including a walk-thru of their home, along with installation of energy saving devices and educational materials customized to reduce their energy use.

Business Incentives - BWL brings financial incentives to business customers for upgrading the efficiency of their equipment and facilities. Incentives are available for items such as lighting, chillers, compressed air systems, occupancy controls and food service equipment.

Peak Power Partner - Customers can enroll in BWL's bring-your-own-thermostat demand response program. Participants receive incentives for enrolling a qualified smart thermostat and for opting-in to at least 50% of yearly energy events.

Nonprofit Facility Grants - BWL provides grants to local organizations serving disadvantaged communities by installing efficient equipment in their buildings. By reducing their electric use, more of the nonprofit's budget is available for the valuable services they provide.

Renewable Energy - BWL is continuing to grow its renewable energy portfolio and work toward both internal carbon neutrality goals and state targets established by PA 235 of 2023. The BWL's efforts to meet its renewable energy goals in 2025 included:

- Beginning permitting, planning and construction to add an estimated additional 650 megawatts of clean energy to also meet future regional growth.
- Filed a Renewable Energy Plan in 2025 with the Michigan Public Service Commission. Read it at lbwl.com/EWR.
- Continuing to receive wind energy from turbines in Gratiot and Tuscola counties.
- Increasing BWL-owned and operated solar generation facilities, including community solar options.
- Beginning outreach to help plan a new community solar offering in the coming year.
- Receiving solar energy from several large-scale solar arrays including Delta Solar in Delta Township, Assembly Solar in Shiawassee County, Calhoun Solar in Calhoun County and Whitetail Solar in Washtenaw County.

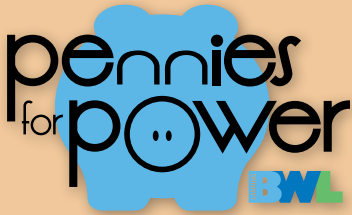
In the 2025 reporting period, the BWL achieved 20% renewable energy generation and continues to increase generation from renewable sources to meet the Renewable Energy requirements under PA 235, which requires 50% renewable energy by 2030.

Cost to Customers

For every dollar spent on Energy Waste Reduction programs, customers should realize benefits of \$2.40. The MPSC annual report on renewable energy may be viewed at michigan.gov/mpsc.

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Pennies for Power helps provide shut-off protection for BWL customers who are struggling to make ends meet.

Learn more and sign up online at lbwl.com/pennies.

Report Outages

Power, Downed Line or Streetlight

866-710-8222

Outage Center

lbwl.com/outagecenter

BWL Mobile App

lbwl.com/app

Water Emergencies

517-702-6490

Medical Alert Form

If in-home medical equipment depends on electricity, sign up for our medical alert list. Call 517-702-6006 or go to

lbwl.com/medicalalert.

Shut-off Protection

BWL customers at risk of shut-off are now eligible for Federal Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and Michigan Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) funding assistance, and may also qualify for a winter protection payment plan. Seniors 65 and older, and low-income customers who sign up for a winter protection plan, are protected from electric shut-off during the heating season. Additionally, active military customers may be eligible for extended payment arrangements to prevent service disruption. Contact 211 for payment assistance information or the BWL to inquire about a payment plan.



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