

Connections

Sign up to win in our Energy Smart Giveaway

We're observing National Energy Awareness Month by giving you a chance to win a Google Nest Learning Thermostat.

We know that the way to a more sustainable future is to use less energy. It's why we share ways to save energy, reward customers like you for upgrading to energy-efficient equipment and adopting weatherization measures and promote sustainable technologies. So as the weather outside changes, it's the perfect time to think about how your home uses energy and what options you may have to control it.

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October is Energy Awareness Month



Kids in Loon Lake and Valley, WA school districts are riding on new electric school buses

The first electric school buses have arrived in Avista's Washington service territory.

VL Transport, who serves Loon Lake and Valley school districts, recently received a grant for two electric school busses and \$75,000 in funding for charging infrastructure.

"We are honored to be the recipient of these electric buses and charging equipment," said Annette Wisener, Transportation Supervisor, Valley School District VL Transport Center. "Avista really helped us identify where we could see operational cost savings, while also helping us identify which routes would safely and reliably transport our kids using an electric bus. This is a turning point toward a clean energy solution for our bus transportation," she said.

Avista's electric fleet analysis team identified the Washington State Department of Ecology's Electric School Bus grant program as a good fit for VL Transport providing:

- Route analysis
- Expected savings
- Optimal charging schedules
- Plus, with the grant, there were no out of pocket expenses

See if your district is eligible

Between now and 2026, \$5 billion of federal funding will provide U.S. schools with incentives to purchase clean school buses. School districts and third-party bus providers interested in learning more about available grants are encouraged to contact us at myavista.com/transportation.

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The Avista Energy Smart Giveaway

Enter today!

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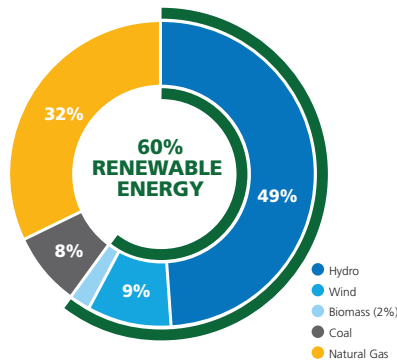
A smart learning thermostat is a great starting point. It'll help you save on heating and cooling use and program itself.

Go to myavista.com/smartgiveaway and enter to win a Google Nest Learning Thermostat today! Two-hundred lucky winners will be drawn at random in November and receive their new thermostat just before winter really settles in. **Hurry, entries will only be accepted through October 31, 2023.**

For other energy-saving ideas, visit myavista.com/energytips.

Natural gas is the cleanest burning fossil fuel available. But if natural gas isn't burned properly, say, because of a faulty furnace, it can emit carbon monoxide (CO), a colorless, odorless gas that can cause flu-like symptoms and even death. Be alerted when CO is present. Install a UL-listed carbon monoxide detector. **We just want you to be safe.** [Myavista.com/safety](https://myavista.com/safety).

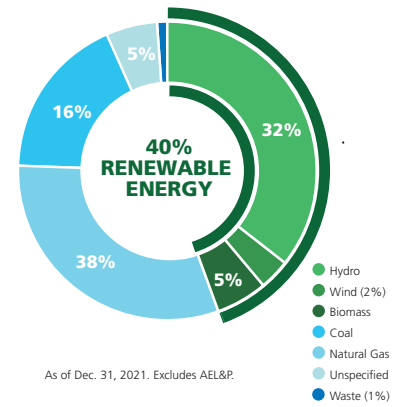
Electricity Generation Resource Mix



As of Dec. 31, 2021. Excludes AEL&P.

*The 60% renewable chart shows how much of each type of electricity we could produce if everything was running at the same time. The 40% renewable chart shows how the system actually operated in 2021.

Utility Fuel Mix



As of Dec. 31, 2021. Excludes AEL&P.

Electric utilities' fuel mix disclosure

Avista uses different kinds of fuel to produce the electricity that powers the lives and businesses of our customers.

In addition to the diverse mix of fuel we use to generate power, we also have long and short-term purchased power contracts in place and we purchase power on the wholesale market. It all adds up to a diverse energy mix that provides our customers with clean, reliable power at fair, reasonable rates. Avista-owned generation includes eight hydroelectric projects and eight thermal generation

facilities. We also have long-term contracts for additional hydro and wind power. Approximately 60 percent of company-owned generation is renewable energy.

Also, customers purchased the environmental offsets associated with over 81 million kilowatt-hours of new renewable wind and solar power in 2021 through Avista's My Clean Energy program. These participating customers paid for and received the benefit of the renewable energy offset, so it is not reported in Avista's energy mix. Learn more at myavista.com/fuelmix.

A new bill discount program for Washington customers

Avista has a new program called My Energy Discount to help Washington customers with their bills. If you're eligible for the discount, you'll save money every month.

Even if you couldn't get help with your bill before, you might be able to now. It's easier to qualify and no paperwork is required to apply. All you have to do is tell us your household's size and income. If you're approved, your discount is good for two years. Even better, you can still benefit from all the other programs and services your local community action agency offers, including other types of payment assistance and home improvement help.

Visit myavista.com/myenergydiscountWA to learn more and fill out our simple online form to apply now. Or give us a call at (800) 227-9187.



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