



Resources for residential customers

Customers impacted by COVID-19 and in need of assistance can call DTE at **800.477.4747** to discuss their payment options or visit our [website](#) with a comprehensive list of programs. We encourage customers who are concerned they may not be able to pay their energy bills due to COVID-19-related income reductions or health issues to explore our [Personalized Service Protection program](#) and contact us to discuss their unique situations and options.

Energy Waste Reduction tips. As we all work together to slow the spread of COVID-19, many of us are at home and using more energy. As a result, some may be looking for different ways to manage their monthly energy bill, especially as summer heats up. [Learn how.](#)

Some DTE customers may meet guidelines for receiving State Emergency Relief (SER) to pay rent or utility bills. Visit the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) [website](#) to learn more and to apply. Visit [www.211.org](#) for help with the application. Customers can read [this guide](#) to learn more about family well-being programs within MDHHS.

Laya Cole finds her passion in mentoring

"High school kids are my favorite to mentor," said Laya Cole, DTE retiree. "There's that moment when I'm speaking with them and there's a sparkle in their eye when they feel truly passionate about what we're discussing. I look forward to seeing that look on their face. It's incredibly rewarding."

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Individuals Making Positive Action
for Communities Together

Serving with energy



Volunteer opportunities still available!

On June 25, the Alumni Network hosted its first Virtual Town Hall to share ideas for alumni interested in volunteering despite the current in-person restrictions amid the pandemic. DTE's Tomara Nolen and Pam Neubacher shared their appreciation for our alumni who continue to offer their time and talents to our community. They encouraged all alumni to log their service hours and take advantage of the DTE Foundation dollars set aside for them to earn as grants to organizations they support.

DTE alumni Laya Cole and Stephanie Kerwin shared their virtual volunteerism experiences and invited others to reach out if they had questions or were looking for opportunities. We also heard from an Alumni United about [their volunteer opportunities](#).

Retirees can earn \$100 after logging 20 hours of service, \$500 after 80 hours or \$1,000 after 80 hours if the retiree is on the Board of that non-profit. As an extra incentive, the team announced a [2020/2021 DTE Alumni Rewards program](#) where volunteers can earn special DTE Alumni branded items when logging service hours.

Links to DTE's volunteerism portal, Your Cause, as well as a list of virtual opportunities and important instructions on how to submit hours to apply for McCarthy grant awards can be found [here](#).



DTE Alumni Virtual Town Hall

Did you catch our recent DTE Alumni Virtual Town Hall? Jerry Norcia shared his vision for the future of DTE and ways DTE Alumni can join current DTE employees as ambassadors for our customers and our community. Angie Pizzutti, VP of Customer Service, also shared highlights of our customer assistance programs so you can help neighbors and friends find the help they may need during a crisis.

[View Town Hall event here](#)

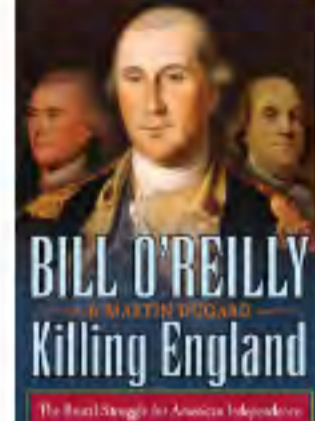
You matter

Responding to the 2020 Census impacts everything in your community from road funding to schools. Be counted.



[Fill out the census](#)

What have you been reading this summer?



Janet Seefried: Killing England by Bill O'Reilly & Martin Sugars

It is the latest in the "Killing" series (Killing Lincoln, Killing Kennedy etc). It is about the brutal struggle for American Independence. It was a really great review of the revolutionary war and how England "killed" themselves as a world power because of their arrogance and greed. It is also a study in the drive, heart and ability of people to work together to overcome seemingly unsurmountable odds to achieve the common goal of justice and freedom. When reading this book, today's world situation comes to mind. The parallels you can draw are inspiring and daunting at the same time.



Cindy Persitz: Piranha by Clive Cussler and Boyd Morrison

Captain Juan Cabrillo and his crew track down a traitorous American weapons designer who has completed a deceased German scientist's work that wields extraordinary power that could lead to one man ruling the largest empire the world has ever known. I enjoy mystery and intrigue.



Deb Galik: Bible by Various Authors

The Bible is filled with historical events, prophecies and a very diverse cast of characters! It tells us about God, His promises for the future, and about how to live. It has deepened my faith. I strongly recommend this all-time best seller!

Throwback



Delray, 1904, when power was turned on in Detroit.



Marysville boiler furnace

by Mark Houston



Healthy Living: Recipe of the Quarter

Broccoli-Bacon Salad

Servings: 6 servings, 1 cup each

Ingredients:

- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1/4 cup low-fat mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup reduced-fat sour cream
- 2 teaspoons cider vinegar
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- 4 cups finely chopped broccoli crowns
- 1 8-ounce can sliced water chestnuts, rinsed and chopped
- 3 slices cooked bacon, crumbled
- 3 Tablespoons dried cranberries
- Freshly ground pepper, to taste

Instructions:

1. Whisk garlic, mayonnaise, sour cream, vinegar and sugar in a large bowl.
2. Add broccoli, water chestnuts, bacon, cranberries and pepper. Stir to coat with the dressing.

* Broccoli crowns are the tops of broccoli sold individually in pre-packaged containers in the refrigerated section of the produce department. They are a bit more expensive than entire bunches, but they are more convenient and you use the whole piece (less waste).

Nutrition Facts:

Calories: 89 Total Fat: 4g Saturated Fat: 1g Cholesterol: 8mg Sodium: 200mg Potassium: 193mg Carbohydrates: 12g Fiber: 3g Protein: 4g

Source: EatingWell.com

We want to hear from you!

If you have feedback about this newsletter or ideas for future virtual town halls, please contact Tracy Thomas at tracy.thomas@dteenergy.com.