



Dear Neighbor,

The City of Boston is working to bring affordable, renewable, and resilient electricity to all residents and small business owners - regardless of income. Boston Community Choice Electricity (BCCE) is our City-run program that works to save you money while providing clean energy. BCCE offers three different rates and customers can opt-up, down, or out at any time.

BCCE currently offers more renewable energy and costs less than Eversource Basic Service rate for residents and small businesses. In 2022, BCCE customers saved **\$93,557,446** in comparison to Eversource Basic Service. An average resident\* enrolled in the BCCE Standard plan is saving nearly \$30/month on their electricity bill at least through November 2023 in comparison to Eversource Basic Service.

**BCCE’s current rates will change in December. BCCE’s new rates will then be locked in through December 2025 with a new contracted supplier, Direct Energy.**

OPTIONAL BASIC	STANDARD <i>(default)</i>	GREEN 100
\$0.10900/kWh February 2023- November 2023	\$0.11290 / kWh February 2023- November 2023	\$0.13987 / kWh February 2023- November 2023
\$0.14205/ kWh December 2023- December 2025	\$0.14805/ kWh December 2023- December 2025	\$0.17195/ kWh December 2023- December 2025

We are committed to honesty and transparency so we want to make sure that you are aware of these new rates. We will not know what Eversource’s winter rate will be until the end of this year but we will follow up with outreach at that time to give you a comparison between our rate and theirs. At that time we encourage you to make a decision about what is the best option for you and we want you to know that there is no penalty if you choose to leave Boston Community Choice Electricity. You can also compare energy rates by visiting [Energyswitchma.gov](http://Energyswitchma.gov).

We understand that these are tough financial times. Customers receiving public assistance benefits and with a household income at or below 60% of the state median income may be eligible for a significant discount on their monthly electric bill. Visit [Eversource.com/billhelp](http://Eversource.com/billhelp) to apply. Participating in BCCE will not interfere with any credits, payment plans, or discount programs you may have with Eversource.

If you are a customer that wants to support renewable energy and are in a financial position to spend a little more, we encourage you to opt-up to BCCE Optional Green 100. This product provides 100% renewable energy from sources like wind and solar, while still saving the average resident over \$12/month on their electric bill through November 2023 in comparison to Eversource Basic Service.

Your account will be automatically enrolled in the BCCE Standard plan unless you choose to opt-up, down, or out of the program. If you have questions visit us online at [boston.gov/bcce](http://boston.gov/bcce). You can also access individual support by emailing [bcce@boston.gov](mailto:bcce@boston.gov) or calling 3-1-1.

**Reverend Mariama White-Hammond**  
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*BCCE cannot guarantee savings relative to Eversource Basic Service as their rates change twice a year but thru at least December 2023 BCCE rates are considerably lower than Basic Service.*

*The average resident in Massachusetts uses 600/kWh of electricity per billing cycle.\**