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Duke Energy brings free energy-saving program to Robbinville community

- **Qualified residents will receive up to 16 energy-saving improvements**
- **Participants could save up to \$95 a year in energy costs**

Graham County, NC – More than 1,200 households in Robbinville are eligible for a free energy makeover through Duke Energy’s Neighborhood Energy Saver Program.

Homes and apartments of qualified customers in the town of Robbinville and surrounding areas will receive a home energy assessment and installation of up to 16 energy- and money-saving improvements, at no out-of-pocket cost.

“Through this program, we provide customers with the tools to help reduce their energy bills and the information needed to make a long-lasting, positive change in how they use energy,” said Lisa Leatherman, Duke Energy’s government and community relations manager for Graham and surrounding counties. “Nearly 23,000 of our customers have already participated in the Neighborhood Energy Saver Program across the Duke Energy Carolinas region, and we hope to see more experience the benefits.”

The program’s kickoff event for eligible customers will be held at the Robbinville High School auditorium, 301 Sweetwater Rd. in Robbinville from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on July 27. Customers have been pre-notified of their eligibility for the program and will receive a letter of invitation to the event by mail.

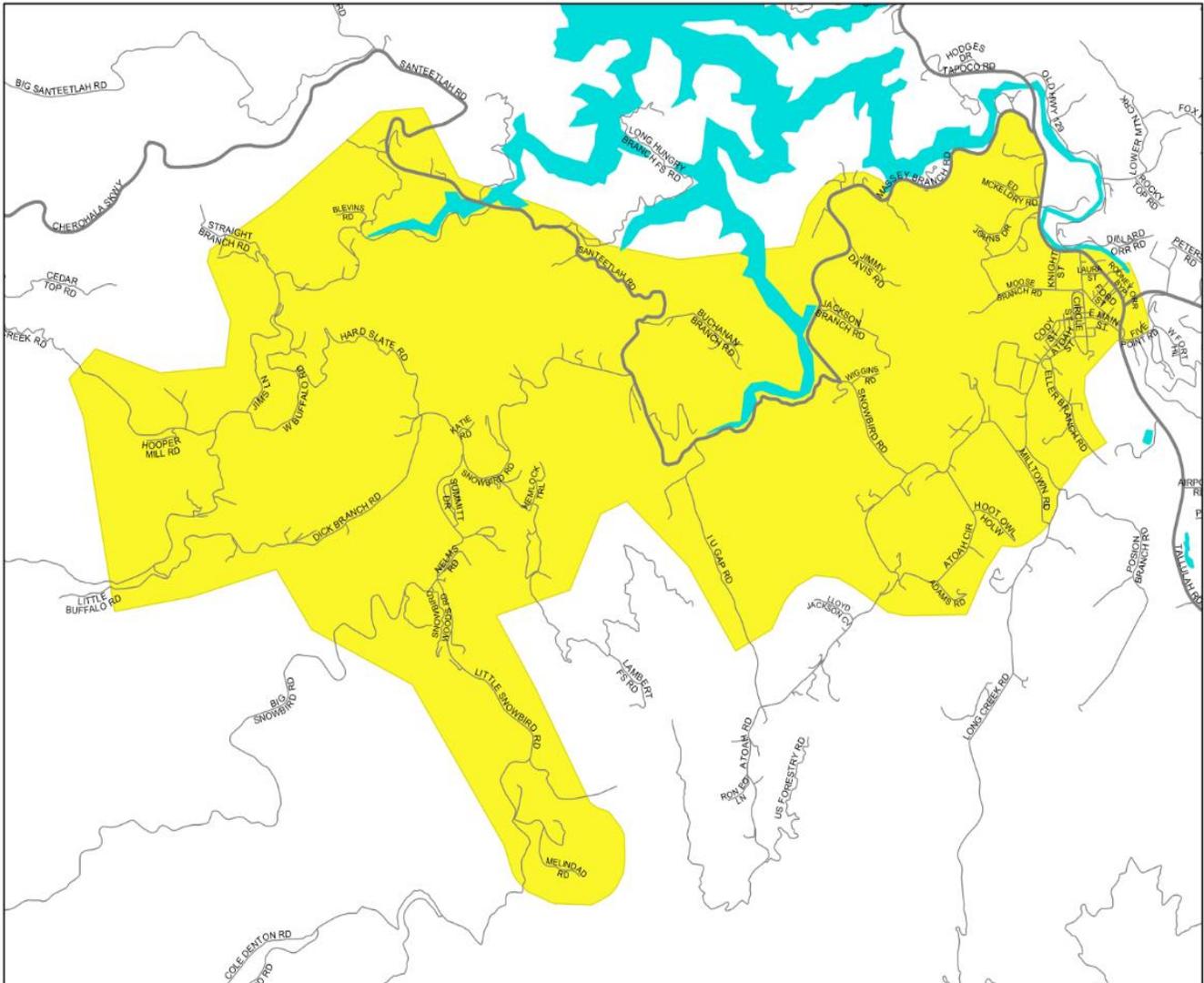
Eligible customers will learn about the program and the energy-efficiency improvements that, when used in conjunction with energy-saving practices, can help save up to an average of \$95 a year in energy costs.

Some of the 16 energy-efficiency improvements that will be installed by Neighborhood Energy Saver team members include:

- Electric water heater wraps and insulation for water pipes;
- energy-efficient light bulbs (LED’s);
- water-saving faucet aerators and water-saving showerheads;
- digital light switch plate thermometer;

- window AC unit winterization kit;
- water heater temperature check and adjustment; and
- a year’s supply of HVAC filters, if applicable.

The Neighborhood Energy Saver Program is offered to homeowners and renters within the highlighted area:



Federal guidelines are used to objectively select communities where the program would be most beneficial.

In addition to Robbinsville, many other communities across the state have participated in the Neighborhood Energy Saver program, including but not limited to, Winston-

Salem, Hickory, Salisbury, Mount Airy, Durham, Charlotte, Elkin, Hendersonville, and Spencer, NC.

For more information about this program visit <https://www.duke-energy.com/home/products/income-qualified/neighborhood-energy-saver>

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