



SEAL UP SOME SAVINGS

WELL-SEALED WINDOWS AND A FUNCTIONING VENTILATION SYSTEM ARE IMPORTANT FOR A HEALTHY HOME



WINDOWS

Windows allow natural light in and views to the outside world - use them wisely to improve comfort, health, and energy efficiency

- Use window caulk to seal small holes and cracks, if you have permission from your property manager
- Submit a maintenance request if your windows or doors don't close completely or the seals look broken
- Discourage mold growth in colder months by leaving a two-inch opening for curtains or shades to allow for airflow and reduce condensation on windows

Save 5-10% of the total energy used in your home by blocking drafts around windows!



VENTILATION

It is important to regularly remove stale, moist air and replace it with outside air, but you and your ventilation system should be in control, not leaky windows and doors!

- Run your bathroom fan during your showers and for 20 minutes after each shower to remove excess moisture and prevent mold growth
- Use a "toilet paper test" to ensure fans are working - if a piece of toilet paper sticks to the fan, the fan is pulling air. Let maintenance know if you need assistance in improving the efficiency of your fan



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