

Going green, saving green

Springtime savings with Union Plus

Recent studies suggest that a \$100 billion investment in a “green economy” over the next two years would create 2 million new jobs. The Center for American Progress think tank seconds that assessment, and notes that investment in environmentally sound projects would create four times more jobs than spending the same amount of money in old oil-economy industries. As a bonus, among those new green jobs, triple the number would be good jobs that pay at least \$16 per hour, as compared to jobs that lean on oil.

Union workers are at the forefront of the charge toward a thriving green economy, and Union Plus is proud to help support those efforts.

Union Plus benefits are made possible by Union Privilege, the program the AFL-CIO created in 1986 to leverage the collective buying power of more than 13 million union members to offer working families quality products and services at discounted prices.

NALC members are eligible to take advantage of Union Plus programs as a benefit of being in the union. In many cases, family members can also enjoy the advantages Union Plus provides.

Here is just a sample of the many ways you can go green—and save some green—with Union Plus:

► **Conduct a home energy audit:** Single-family home owners spend at least \$1,500 a year on energy costs—and often much more. Union Plus Credit Card holders can get up to \$300 in rebates on home improvement purchases based on the recommendations of a home energy audit. An auditor might recommend having a union HVAC contractor install better insulation or a new, programmable thermostat, or buying a home appliance that carries an Energy Star efficiency rating. See the March

Postal Record to find out more about the advantages of a Union Plus Credit Card, then call 800-472-2005 to start your home energy audit.

► **Use only unionized HVAC contractors:** Even if you don't have the Union Plus Credit Card, you can still save money and support union workers by employing unionized HVAC professionals. Union members can also get a one-time \$50 rebate by purchasing an annual service contract with a union HVAC professional. Call 800-472-2005 for details. Plus, with the free SuperGuarantee program, you'll always get the job done right, or Union Plus will step in and help make it right. You could even get up to a \$750 reimbursement of service fees if you encounter a problem that can't be resolved. Visit superguarantee.com for terms, conditions and restrictions.

► **Union Plus Auto Buying Service:** Not all “green” vehicles are tiny cars. Through Union Plus, you can buy a roomy, family-sized green vehicle that's both union-made and EPA-approved and get a \$200 rebate. Choose from nearly two dozen models—from the luxurious Cadillac CTS to the fun-to-drive Chevrolet Camaro or Jeep Compass to the ever-reliable Toyota Corolla (union-built in the USA). For no-hassle help in purchasing a new car, truck or SUV, call the Union Plus Auto Buying Service at 866-437-2336.

These are just a few of the hundreds of money-saving programs available through Union Plus—members can save money on things like car insurance, wireless phone service, hotels and car rentals, and much more. Visit unionplus.org for more information. ☒

GREEN SAVINGS & TIPS FOR UNION FAMILIES



Help *save the environment*,
and *stretch your family budget* too!

As we all become more environmentally conscious, Union Plus makes it easier for you to do your part and SAVE MONEY too. Our Green Rebate Programs are good for the planet, good for America and good for union members as well!



PLUS learn how Union Plus is working with environmentalists in a Blue Green Alliance to create good union jobs in “green” industries.

For more details about our green rebates, visit

UnionPlus.org/Green