# Make the Suitch

from gas to an all-electric home!







Improve comfort



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#### ACT is going gas-free!

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# Cook all your favourite meals with clean electricity

"Cooking with gas" is no longer cleaner and more responsive than other methods. There are now many electric appliances to enable you to cook all your favourite meals.

Induction cooktops use electromagnetic energy to cook food safely and efficiently with superb control. A portable hotplate is an affordable way to try before you buy or to use the technology even if you can't install a full cooktop.

A large variety of food can be prepared using portable electric appliances such as rice cookers, slow cookers, microwave ovens, kettles, frypan/skillet/wok, benchtop grill, oven, sandwich press, air fryer and so on. Perhaps you already have everything you need to cook gas-free!

## Improve family life by eliminating gas from your home

Gas is a fossil fuel that contributes to climate change. Burning gas in homes releases fumes that contribute to respiratory illnesses, especially in children and the elderly. Open flames in gas cooktops and heaters create the risk of fires and burns. Burning any kind of gas is inefficient for cooking and heating, and increasingly expensive, especially for households on tight budgets.

Modern electric appliances can do everything that gas does, faster, safer, cleaner, cheaper and more efficiently.

Removing all gas appliances means you can eliminate the entire gas bill, saving the household thousands of dollars in energy costs while improving your comfort, health and safety.





#### Property owners benefit by upgrading rental homes

Any improvement you can make to the energy efficiency, health, safety and comfort of your rental property will improve its appeal to tenants.

Switching out gas appliances for efficient modern electric technologies will also future-proof the value of your property as fossil gas is phased out, to

reach the global goal of

net-zero greenhouse

gas emissions for a

safe climate.

Landlords are eligible for government schemes to help with the purchase and installation costs for electrification. Costs are also likely to be tax-deductible.

Collaborate with your tenants and property manager to plan the upgrades over a timeline that works for all of you.

#### Rental tenants save on energy bills by using less gas

Ask your landlord or property manager to plan the replacement of gas appliances in the home you are renting, prioritising hot water. They will have to do it eventually, but sooner is better for everyone! Let them

know there are financial incentives available.

If your landlord can't make upgrades right now, there are many temporary actions you can take to reduce your energy bills and improve your comfort.

Although you can't control decisions about the rental property, you do have rights as a tenant.

Find tips, resources and support programs at maketheswitch.org.au.

## Strata bodies lead the switch to gas-free apartments

There are benefits for everyone from taking a whole-of-building approach to electrification.

Retrofitting multi-unit buildings is a two-fold process:

- choose appropriate technological solutions for common areas, commercial spaces, centralised services and residential units;
- gain agreement, via the management body, on how to fairly and equitably share the costs and benefits.

Finance and advice are available.
Plenty of buildings have already made
the switch and are saving thousands of
dollars for owners and residents.

It will take time, so get started today!

Electrifying heating, hot water and cooking is a great opportunity for property owners and residents to collaborate on climate action and social equity.

Find tips and resources at maketheswitch.org.au to start your plan today.