## **STAY INFORMED**

When weather causes a power outage, you don't have to be left in the dark about what we're doing to restore you.

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

#### Follow us on Facebook or Twitter to:



- Know when bad weather is expected
- See the progress we're making to restore power across the region
- Find locations of emergency centers
- Know how you can stay safe and comfortable during a storm

## DTE ENERGY OUTAGE CENTER Visit dteenergy.com/outage to:



- Report an outage or downed wire
- View the outage map
- Receive restoration updates
- Sign up for storm alerts
- Learn more about causes of outages, how power is restored and what you can do to stay safe during a storm

#### **DTE ENERGY MOBILE APP**



- Report an outage or downed wire
- View the outage map
- Receive restoration updates
- Find local businesses with power

### **BE SAFE**

Safety is always a top priority. When severe weather rolls through, keep these safety tips top-of-mind.

#### **Downed Wire**

Assume any downed wire is live. Stay at least 20 feet away and report it immediately via the DTE Mobile app, DTE website or by calling 1.800.477.4747.

#### **Generators**

Generators emit carbon monoxide. Always operate it in a dry place outside to avoid a deadly buildup of the poisonous gas. Follow manufacturer instructions to connect and run your generator safely.

#### **Flooding**

Water and electricity don't mix. Never enter a flooded basement until all power has been shut off to your home. Even if you've lost power, it could suddenly return and cause an electrocution.

#### **Appliances**

Minimize fire hazards during an outage by turning off or unplugging heat-producing appliances, such as stoves, clothes dryers and curling irons. This ensures they won't turn back on once power is restored.

#### Yard Clearance

Storms can make a mess of your yard. But, before clearing debris, look around to make sure there are no hidden hazards, such as a downed wire that might be buried in brush.





# GUIDING YOU THROUGH THE STORM



## **HOW DTE ENERGY RESTORES POWER**

When widespread outages occur, DTE Energy follows a plan that calls for restoring power to the largest number of customers as promptly and safely as possible.

- 1 For everyone's safety, we start with dangerous situations like downed power lines. You may see our employees standing guard to protect the public from coming in contact with wires.
- 2 Simultaneously, we repair power lines and equipment serving critical health and safety facilities like hospitals and police stations.
- 3 At the same time, we focus on getting the most customers restored promptly. We begin by repairing substation equipment, which delivers power to entire communities.
- 4 We then move on to distribution lines that serve large subdivisions and businesses.
- **(5)** Then, we fix the equipment that powers individual homes.

