

# The SAVINGS Spark

Cost Control Associates, Inc.

Cost Control Associates helps your organization reduce and better manage your energy, waste removal and telecom expenses. This monthly newsletter shares industry-related news, tips and updates.

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## BLOG

### 2018: The Year of the Internet of Things

#### What Is It, and How Did It Get Here?

Technology experts are saying that 2018 will be The Year of the Internet of Things, because the number of connected devices is on track to top 11 billion—and that does not include computers and phones! It may seem as if it happened overnight, but the tech path to the IoT began decades ago.

[Read this month's blog](#) to find out what it is, how it works and where it came from.

### Trouble Downloading our Ebook?

#### Please Try Again

Just hours after we released our free e-book last month, our website fell victim to a denial-of-service attack. Within hours we were up and running again, but you may have run into an error message if you tried to download our e-book within that timeframe. If you missed it, please use the password below to download our [Basic Guide to Cutting Energy Costs](#). For the first time ever, we share some of our secrets about monitoring and reducing energy costs.



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## U.S. Net Neutrality Status Update

### Senate Approves Bill 52-47

The U.S. Senate voted on Wednesday in favor of keeping open-internet rules in a bid to overturn the Federal Communications Commission decision to repeal net neutrality rules.

[What's next?](#)

## Electronic Rescue Dog

### Can Tiny Sensors Replace Fido?

Trained rescue dogs use their sensitive noses to track down people buried by earthquakes or avalanches. However, they can't go everywhere, and sometimes they aren't nearby when disaster unfolds. These tiny gas sensors may do the trick to save more lives.

[How the "tiny nose" works.](#)

## Fire Fighters Promote Composting

### Encourage Citizens to Get on Board

Denver Public Works and the Denver Fire Department are expanding their partnership to promote the [Denver Composts](#) program. Twenty fire stations are now composting through the program, and several have seen their recycling rates increase from as much as 8 to 80 percent.

[Learn more.](#)

## Meet Us at the Show!

Cost Control Associates will be at these shows in June and July:

- [ASBA](#) (Arizona School Board Association): Flagstaff, AZ, June 7 to 9
- [AASBO](#) (Arizona Assoc. of School business Officials): Tucson, AZ, July 18-21
- [ACMA](#) (Arizona City/County Management Assoc.): Marana, AZ, July 19-21

If you'd like to talk about how Cost Control Associates can help your organization reduce utility costs, contact [Keith Laake](#) to make an appointment.

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