It's good to know we're needed.

We Americans are big energy users.

And 75 percent of our total energy needs are provided by oil and natural gas.

Oil and gas warm millions of homes in winter; generate much of the electricity we take for granted.

And oil is a raw material, too. It's being processed into everything from fertilizers to high-sheen plastics.

Of course there are problems. But without oil and gas we wouldn't have enough energy to find solutions.

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