



CALIFORNIA CLEAN ENERGY FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Funding Opportunities for Multifamily Affordable Housing Providers

Home Energy Rebates

California's Home Energy Rebate programs provide funding to single and multifamily households to make necessary energy efficiency improvements and install highly efficient electric appliances and equipment. The Home Energy Rebate program includes:

- Up to \$14,000 per unit through the **Home Electrification and Appliance Rebate** program (HEAR) for electric heat pumps, electric service and wiring upgrades, weatherization measures, and more.
- Rebates for energy savings through the **Home Efficiency Rebate** program (HER):
 - No-cost energy retrofits for low-income households through the Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program (minimum 20% energy savings)
 - Enhanced rebates for low-income households for whole-home energy retrofits through the Pay for Performance Program (minimum 15% energy savings)

California's HEAR program is accepting applications through [TECH Clean California](#) and the state's HER program is expected to launch this summer.

Learn more about California's rebate programs [here](#).

Solar for All

California's [Solar for All award](#) will be administered by several state agencies. Funding will support new mid-scale capacity solar systems in investor-owned utility territories, expand the Solar on Multifamily Affordable Housing (SOMAH) grant program, and deploy community and rooftop solar in multiple Publicly Owned Utility territories.

California will also be served by several [multistate and Tribal solar programs](#).

In addition to California's Home Energy Rebates and Solar for All funding, affordable housing providers may be able to leverage state-administered grants, rebates, and other low-cost financing to support energy-saving projects. Learn more [here](#).

\$582M

for high efficiency electric appliances and energy efficiency rebates

\$249.8M

to create and expand solar programs for low-income households

up to 100%

of eligible energy efficiency and electrification costs covered

Check out [NHT's Preservation Toolkit](#) to learn more about multifamily affordable housing clean energy and energy efficiency funding opportunities.

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Get a Head Start: How to Prepare Your Portfolio to Leverage Clean Energy Incentives

While California's Home Energy Rebates and Solar for All programs are still being finalized, there are steps you can take now to ensure your properties are ready to access funding once programs launch.

Assess Your Portfolio's Needs

- ✓ Lower operating costs
- ✓ Deferred maintenance or needed capital improvements
- ✓ Must complete upgrades to comply with building code or qualify for tax credits
- ✓ Building owner/developer preservation goals

Collect Utility Data and Complete Energy Audits

- ✓ Make sure you are benchmarking your properties' energy usage. It is important to collect data on owner-paid and tenant-paid utilities. *Many programs will require participants to demonstrate energy savings post-retrofit work through energy benchmarking.*
- ✓ Identify opportunities to improve the energy efficiency of units and common areas. Comprehensive audits and energy assessments should align with an AHSRAE Level II audit. *Some programs may provide incentives to help cover the costs of energy audits.*
- ✓ When applicable, consider assessments that outline a pathway for achieving net zero emissions. This includes:
 - Full electrification
 - Elimination of on-site carbon emissions
 - Power from onsite or offsite renewable energy/clean energy sources

Stay in the loop with your state's programs

- ✓ [Subscribe](#) to the California Energy Commission's email list for the latest on the state's energy efficiency and clean energy programs, including Home Energy Rebates and Solar for All.