

A guide to your state's **DOE Home Energy Rebates** program and opportunities for multifamily affordable housing.

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# **About DOE Home Energy Rebates**

Through the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), Department of Energy received \$8.8 billion to develop two home energy rebate programs: the Home Efficiency Rebate (HER) program and the Home Electrification and Appliance Rebate (HEAR) program. Both rebate programs will be administered by State Energy Offices (SEO) with the goal of increasing disadvantaged household's energy efficiency, lowering utility bills, and reducing carbon emissions.

Funding has been allocated to each state to implement the rebate programs and federal guidance requires SEOs to allocate *40% of state rebate funding to low-income households* and an additional *10% to low-income multifamily households*. SEOs are required to submit an application to DOE for each program to receive funding. Applications must include a Community Benefits Plan and Education and Outreach Strategy.

The following rebates are available for **single-family homes** with household income **below 80% AMI** and in **multifamily buildings** where **at least 50%** of households have incomes **below 80% AMI**:

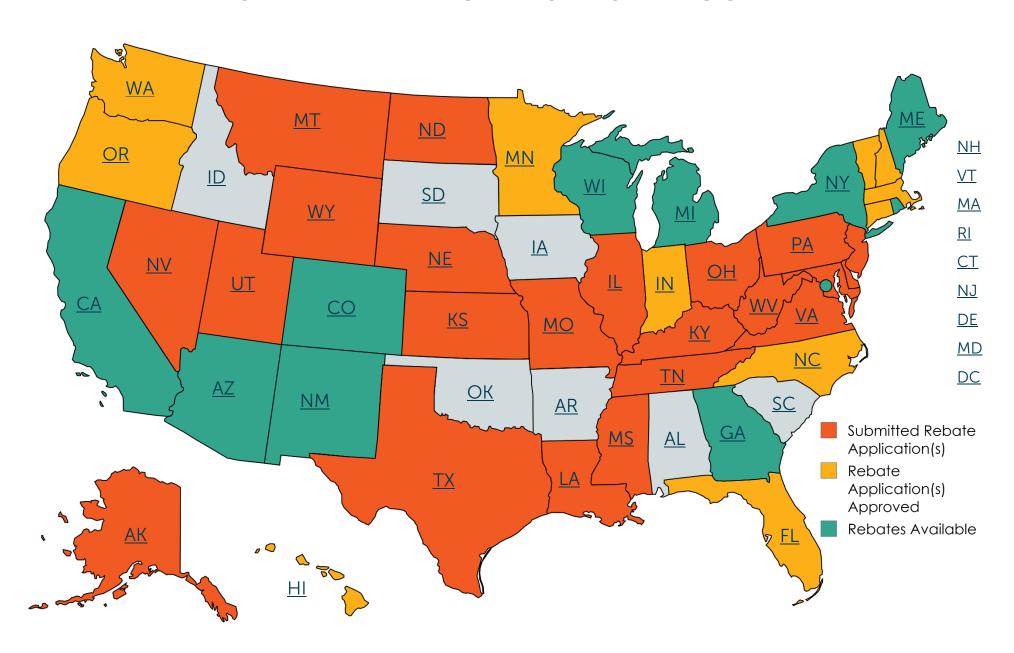
Rebate Type	Rebate Amount
Home Efficiency	Retrofit of existing buildings
Rebates (HER)	Rebate level varies depending on the level of efficiency improvements,
	not to exceed:
	o \$4,000 per housing unit for energy savings of 20%-34%
	o \$8,000 per housing unit for energy savings of 35% or more
	o Up to <u>80% of project costs</u>
	Could be available retroactively (depends on each state's program
	design)
Home	New construction and retrofits
<b>Electrification and</b>	Appliance-based rebates with caps
<b>Appliance Rebates</b>	• 100% of project costs not to exceed the max rebate level of \$14,000 per
(HEAR)	housing unit
	Will not be available retroactively

Maximum rebate amounts for eligible HEAR measures include:

Measure	Rebate Amount
Heat pump water heater	Up to \$1,750/appliance
Heat pump for space heating or cooling	Up to \$8,000/appliance
Electric stove, cooktop, range, or oven	Up to \$840/appliance
Electric heat pump dryer	Up to \$840/appliance
Electric load service center upgrade	Up to \$4,000
Insulation, air sealing, and ventilation	Up to \$1,600
Electric wiring	Up to \$2,500

Read more about DOE's Home Energy Rebates program guidance here.

# STATE APPLICATION STATUS



### Alabama

Administering Agency: Alabama Department of Economic Development and Community Affairs

Application Status: received early administrative funding; preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$146M

Program Description: Alabama anticipates rebates will be available in mid-2025.

#### Alaska

Administering Agency: Alaska Housing Finance Corporation

Application Status: submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$75M

Program Description: AHFC plans to open the state's program application portal in the fall of 2025.

#### **Arizona**

Administering Agency: Efficiency Arizona

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$153M

*Program Description:* Rebates in Arizona will be made available in three phases: 1) available now, air-conditioning replacement program through community action agencies across the state, focusing on single-family households; 2) launching Q1 2025, Home Efficiency Rebate program; 3) launching Q2 2025, multifamily pilot program.

# Arkansas

Administering Agency: Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment

Application Status: preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$105M

Program Description: Arkansas anticipates launching their rebate programs in early 2026.

# California

Administering Agency: California Energy Commission

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$582M

*Program Description:* California has launched phase 1 of the HEAR program which provides heat pump and electrification rebates for multifamily buildings and single-family households. Apply for rebates <u>here</u>.

HER funding will be split between two programs: Equitable Building Decarbonization Direct Install Program (60% of funds; no-cost upgrades for low-income residents; launching 2025), and a payfor-performance pathway (40% of funds; rebates based on actual measured energy savings; launching 2025/2026).

### Colorado

Administering Agency: Colorado Energy Office

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; HER application approved

State Allocation: \$140M

Program Description: Colorado will first launch the HEAR program through the state's Weatherization Assistance Program to provide home energy upgrades to low-income households receiving WAP services. Rebates will be available to households not receiving WAP services sometime this year. The state's HER program will provide rebates for comprehensive energy efficiency upgrades for large multifamily buildings (50,000 sqft or larger) and mobile/manufactured homes. Colorado expects to launch this program in early 2025.

# Connecticut

Administering Agency: Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Application Status: HEAR application approved; HER application submitted

State Allocation: \$99M

*Program Description:* Connecticut plans to target HEAR funding to multifamily and single family households at or below 80% AMI. HER funding will flow through the existing utility-run Multifamily Initiative program. Rebates from both programs will be available in 2025.

#### Delaware

Administering Agency: Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER application

State Allocation: \$66M

Program Description: Delaware plans to launch both state programs in early 2025.

#### **District of Columbia**

Administering Agency: D.C. Department of Energy and Environment

Application Status: HER and HEAR rebates available

District Allocation: \$59M

Program Description: The District will use Home Energy Rebates funds to expand the Affordable Housing Retrofit Accelerator (AHRA) and the Affordable Home Electrification Program (AHEP). These programs focus on reducing a household's energy use through energy efficiency upgrades and electrification. Learn more here.

# Florida

Administering Agency: Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Office of Energy)

Application Status: HEAR application approved

State Allocation: \$346M

Program Description: Florida plans to launch both programs in early 2025.

# Georgia

Administering Agency: Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications approved

State Allocation: \$219M

Program Description: Georgia has launched a limited pilot of both rebate programs and plans to make the rebates fully available by the end of March 2025. Georgia has also increased the maximum HER rebate a household/unit at or below 80% AMI can receive to \$10k if achieving between 20 and 34% energy savings, and \$16k if achieving more than 35% energy savings.

#### Hawaii

Administering Agency: Hawaii State Energy Office

Application Status: HEAR application approved; HER application submitted

State Allocation: \$70M

Program Description: Hawaii expects to launch the HEAR program soon with rebates available for ENERGY STAR certified heat pump water heaters and induction cooktops. The HEAR program will

expand when the state's HER program rolls out later this year.

### Idaho

Administering Agency: Governor's Office of Energy and Mineral Resources

Application Status: preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$81M

Program Description: no information is available at this time

### Illinois

Administering Agency: <u>Illinois Environmental Protection Agency</u>

Application Status: submitted HER and HEAR applications

State Allocation: \$264M

Program Description: Illinois plans to increase the minimum rebate funding set-aside for lowincome multifamily households by prioritizing 100% of rebate funds to low-income households.

Illinois may later modify this plan based on program performance and general interest.

# Indiana

Administering Agency: Indiana Office of Energy Development

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications approved

State Allocation: \$182M

Program Description: Indiana plans to make rebates available in early 2025. Indiana is also proposing increasing the maximum eligible HER project costs for households below 80% AMI from \$4,000 to \$6,000 per dwelling unit if achieving between 20% and 34% energy savings and from \$8,000 to \$12,000 per dwelling unit if achieving at least 35% energy savings.

#### lowa

Administering Agency: <u>lowa Economic Development</u>

Application Status: preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$121M

Program Description: Iowa expects rebates to be available in mid-2025.

#### Kansas

Administering Agency: Kansas Energy Office

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$106M

Program Description: Kansas plans to limit HEAR eligible measures to include heat pumps, electric load service center, electric wiring, insulation, air sealing, and mechanical upgrades. Electrical upgrades will focus on crucial electrical system enhancements.

# Kentucky

Administering Agency: Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet

Application Status: submitted HER and HEAR applications

State Allocation: \$134M

Program Description: Kentucky expects rebates to be available mid to late 2025.

# Louisiana

Administering Agency: Louisiana Department of Energy and Natural Resources

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$213M

Program Description: no information is available at this time

#### Maine

Administering Agency: Efficiency Maine

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$72M

Program Description: HEAR rebates are now available for new construction multifamily and manufactured housing for mini-split heat pumps, variable refrigerant flow systems, heat pump rooftop units, and single package heat pumps (with through-the-wall outdoor air ducting). Rebates are also available for necessary electric panel and electrical wiring upgrades. Interested building owners can apply <a href="here">here</a>.

Maine is prioritizing 50% of HER funds for larger multifamily buildings at or below 80% AMI that are electrifying their heating systems and achieve a minimum of 35% energy savings.

# Maryland

Administering Agency: Maryland Energy Administration

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications submitted

State Allocation: \$137M

Program Description: MEA plans to distribute HEAR funds across three categories: \$18M for a fuel oil/propane heat to heat pump conversions; \$27.6M will channel through DHCD to support low-income single family and multifamily programs; \$9M for the WARMTH Act which will require certain gas companies to develop a pilot geothermal energy network. MEA also plans to allocate \$27.1M for energy efficiency upgrades in homes that can't access other state incentives, and \$27.7M to DHCD further support low-income single family and multifamily programs.

#### Massachusetts

Administering Agency: Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications approved

State Allocation: \$146M

*Program Description:* The Department expects rebates to be available in early 2025 and funding will leverage existing state and federal opportunities, like Mass Save. DOER also plans to expand existing affordable housing decarbonization programs by funding additional measures, targeting decarbonization in existing income restricted multifamily units, leveraging multiple funding sources outside of HER, and exceeding max rebate limits to achieve greater energy savings for low-income units.

The state's HER program will target 1 to 4-unit households served by Municipal Light Plans who aren't served by Mass Save. Multifamily households will be targeted through HER through the DOER Affordable Housing Decarbonization Grant program. These funds will augment DOER and other state funds awarded to these projects to help close funding gaps.

HEAR funding will be delivered through the Mass Saves program, targeting households at or below 60% AMI and through a newly expanded program for households with incomes between 61% and 80% AMI.

# Michigan

Administering Agency: Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy

Application Status: HER and HEAR rebates available

State Allocation: \$211M

Program Description: Michigan launched the rebate programs for single family households in select geographies in October 2024 and plans to make the programs available statewide in early 2025. The state is prioritizing households at or below 80% AMI and has increased the maximum HER rebate a household can receive to \$20,000 for this initial launch.

# Minnesota

Administering Agency: Minnesota Department of Commerce

Application Status: HEAR application approved; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$148M

Program Description: Minnesota plans to make rebates available in spring 2025.

# Mississippi

Administering Agency: Mississippi Development Authority

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$105M

Program Description: no information at this time

### Missouri

Administering Agency: Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$151M

Program Description: Missouri does not expect rebates to be available until mid-2025, or as late as

2026.

#### Montana

Administering Agency: Montana Department of Environmental Quality

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$71M

Program Description: no information is available at this time

# Nebraska

Administering Agency: Nebraska Department of Energy and Environment

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$91M

Program Description: no information is available at this time

# Nevada

Administering Agency: Nevada Governor's Office of Energy

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$96M

Program Description: Rebates are expected to be available in early 2025.

# **New Hampshire**

Administering Agency: New Hampshire Department of Energy

Application Status: HEAR application approved; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$70M

Program Description: New Hampshire expects to launch the HEAR program in the spring/summer of 2025 and the HER program in summer/early fall of 2025. The state plans to allocate 60% of HEAR funding and 100% of HER funding to low-income households. New Hampshire also plans on increasing the maximum HER rebate a household/unit can receive to \$15k if achieving 20-34% energy savings, and \$20k if achieving 35% energy savings or more.

# **New Jersey**

Administering Agency: New Jersey Board of Public Utilities

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$183M

Program Description: New Jersey plans to make rebates stackable with other incentives and programs offered by the New Jersey Clean Energy Program.

### **New Mexico**

Administering Agency: New Mexico, Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; HER application approved

State Allocation: \$88M

Program Description: New Mexico has launched the state's <u>HEAR program</u> and rebates are currently available for wall, ceiling/attic, floor, and foundation insulation, heat pump clothes dryers, and electric or induction cooktops, stoves, ovens, and ranges. Rebates are available for single-family households at or below 80% AMI. Multifamily renters and building owners can expect to access rebates soon.

#### **New York**

Administering Agency: NYSERDA

Application Status: HEAR and HER rebates available

State Allocation: \$318M

Program Description: The HEAR program has been designed to expand the reach of the state's <u>EmPower+ program</u> and <u>Appliance Upgrade program</u>. Currently rebates are available for air sealing, insulation, and ventilation, electrical wiring upgrades, heat pump water heaters, and heat pump clothes dryer and necessary electrical upgrades. Funding is also available for whole-home energy assessments through the EmPower+ program.

Additional rebates, including offers for multifamily buildings and other high-efficiency appliances, will become available later this year.

### North Carolina

Administering Agency: North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality

Application Status: HER and HEAR applications approved

State Allocation: \$209M

Program Description: North Carolina expects rebates to be available in early 2025 and will leverage other state programs such as Weatherization Assistance Program and rebates provided by utilities. North Carolina also plans to follow a phased program approach with phase 1 serving low-income and rural residents, phase 2 will expand to include moderate-income and multifamily residents, and phase 3 will incorporate any needed program adjustments to optimize market opportunities. Households can receive between \$14,000 and \$16,000 in HER funding depending on income and qualified needs.

# North Dakota

Administering Agency: North Dakota Energy Office

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$74M

Program Description: no information available at this time

### Ohio

Administering Agency: Ohio Department of Development

Application Status: submitted HER and HEAR applications

State Allocation: \$249M

Program Description: Ohio expects rebates to be available early 2025.

### Oklahoma

Administering Agency: Oklahoma Department of Commerce

Application Status: received early administrative funding; preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$129M

Program Description: Rebates likely won't be available until winter 2025-summer 2026.

# Oregon

Administering Agency: Oregon Department of Energy

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications approved

State Allocation: \$114M

Program Description: While Oregon has allocated the 10% federal minimum requirement of HER program funding to low-income multifamily households, Oregon plans to allocate 60% of HEAR program funding to low-income households and 20% of HEAR funding to low-income multifamily households. The state's HER application also increases maximum eligible projects costs for 80% AMI households to \$8,000 if achieving at least 20% energy savings and \$10,000 if achieving at least 35% energy savings. Rebates likely won't be available until late 2025 or early 2026.

# Pennsylvania

Administering Agency: Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$259M

Program Description: Pennsylvania anticipates that rebates will be available in early 2025.

### Rhode Island

Administering Agency: Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources

Application Status: HEAR rebates available; submitted HER application

State Allocation: \$64M

*Program Description:* Eligible measures under the HEAR program will likely include electric panel/load service upgrades, wiring upgrades, cooking appliance upgrades, and heat pump clothes dryer upgrades. OER plans to launch the state's HEAR program in two phases: phase one launching now for households below 80% AMI and phase two launching next year for households between 80% and 150% AMI.

The state's HER program will likely launch in October and the Office of Energy Resources plans to create a Clean Heat RI Pathway for low-income multifamily households focusing on heat pump installations. This pathway would require dwelling units to complete weatherization measures first. Rhode Island is also proposing increasing the maximum rebate per each low-income unit to \$16,000. \*

#### South Carolina

Administering Agency: South Carolina Energy Office

Application Status: received early administrative funding; preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$137M

Program Description: The state Energy Office does expects rebates to be available in 2025.

# **Tennessee**

Administering Agency: <u>Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation</u>

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$167M

Program Description: Tennessee expects rebates to be available in Q2 2025 and has proposed increasing the HER rebate cap for households at or below 80% AMI to \$16,000 per unit regardless of energy savings (following the modeled energy savings pathway). Tennessee has also proposed to contract with Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), a public power company, to implement the rebate programs. TVA will expand upon their existing program processes and rebate offerings and rely on their data sharing relationships with local utility providers and quality contractor network. TVA will cover its own program implementation costs, reallocating \$8 million in HER administrative costs back to program funding. Based on a funding need/priority analysis, the state has allocated county set asides for the rebate programs and developed a public dashboard for residents to see what funding is available in their county. HEAR rebates will only be available for heat pumps for heating/cooling and water heating, electric load service upgrades, insulation, air sealing, ventilation, and electric wiring. \*

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#### Texas

Administering Agency: Texas State Energy Conservation Office

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$690M

Program Description: Texas anticipates rebates program to be open in summer 2025.

### Utah

Administering Agency: Utah Office of Energy Development

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$101M

Program Description: no information available at this time

### Vermont

Administering Agency: Vermont Department of Public Service

Application Status: HER application approved; submitted HEAR application

State Allocation: \$59M

Program Description: Vermont's draft plan includes three proposals for the state's rebate programs. 1) Vermont proposes committing all of the state's HER funding and \$10M in HEAR funding to the Vermont Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) serving households at or below 80% AMI. 2) An additional \$10M from HEAR would be invested into an Affordable Multifamily Housing New Construction program to offset the costs of energy efficient electric appliances and heating for new construction projects where at least 50% of its tenants are at or below 80% AMI. 3) Vermont proposes allocating the remaining HEAR funding (just over \$9M) to provide rebates for heat pumps to moderate income households who are not eligible for WAP. \*

Eligible measures for HER funding include weatherization measures, air sealing, ventilation, insulation, and heat pump installations. The state's Department of Public Service has identified heat pumps and heat pump water heaters as measures that will deliver the biggest savings to customers. Electric service upgrades will be eligible for HEAR funds if the household is also installing cold-climate heat pumps. \*

The states HEAR programs are expected to launch in April and the HER program is expected to launch in July.

# Virginia

Administering Agency: Virginia Department of Energy

Application Status: submitted HEAR and HER applications

State Allocation: \$189M

Program Description: Virginia anticipates that rebates will be available by early 2025.

# Washington

Administering Agency: Washington State Department of Commerce

Application Status: HEAR and HER applications approved

State Allocation: \$166M

Program Description: Department of Commerce expects rebates will be available in early 2025. Eligible HER measures include electric wiring, electric panel upgrades, insulation, air sealing, ventilation, appliances, heat pumps, and other general weatherization measures. HEAR-eligible measures include HVAC heat pumps, induction stoves, and heat pump dryers. Low-income households/units can expect to receive a \$15k Home Efficiency Rebate if achieving between 20-34% energy savings, and a \$20K Home Efficiency Rebate if achieving at least 35% energy savings.

# West Virginia

Administering Agency: West Virginia Office of Energy

Application Status: submitted HER and HEAR applications

State Allocation: \$88M

*Program Description:* West Virginia is considering increasing rebate caps for households at or below 80% AMI. The state is also designing rebate programs that can stack with West Virginia's WAP program and local utility rebates.

### Wisconsin

Administering Agency: Wisconsin Office of Energy Innovation

Application Status: HER and HEAR rebates now available

State Allocation: \$149M

Program Description: Wisconsin has increased the maximum HER rebate amount for multifamily buildings where at least 50% of households are at or below 80% AMI to \$5,000 per unit if achieving between 20-34% energy savings and \$10,000 per unit if achieving 35% energy savings or more. HEAR rebates are now available for heat pump water heaters, heat pumps for space heating, electrical load service center upgrades, and electrical wiring. New construction projects are limited to the types of eligible measures they can receive rebates for.

\* Indicates information is from the state's draft rebate plan/application and is subject to change once approved by DOE

# Wyoming

Administering Agency: Wyoming Energy Authority

Application Status: preparing rebate applications

State Allocation: \$34M

Program Description: Wyoming has released an RFP for a qualified contractor to develop

applications for both rebate programs.