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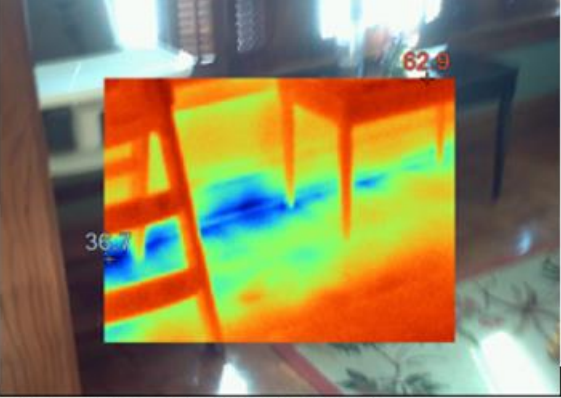
Arizona, California, Hawaii, Indiana, Maine, New Mexico, New York, Rhode Island, Washington and Wisconsin. Main Content. 1 See Episode 56Wi for a simplified description of the Homes Program in Wisconsin which provides rebates for primarily home insulation and weatherization, rolled out on August 2 2024. This episode illustrates one possible example of a household with income 80% of Madison Wisconsin median income for a family of four. In the Capital Times article of August 2 2024 the Capital Times stated If a project could cut energy use by 35% or more: A person making 80% of the median income in an area (which in Madison is \$97,800 for a family of four) can have 100% of their project costs covered, up to \$10,000. Residents will first complete a home energy assessment provided by a licensed energy auditor to determine the home's upgrade needs and establish the estimated energy savings each upgrade would provide. Low-income households are eligible for a rebate to help cover the cost of the home energy assessment. Rebate amounts are based on household income and the amount of estimated energy savings. A home energy audit is required before receiving the Homes rebate and the auditor will suggest possible insulation and weatherization fixes.

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Accurate Airtight Exteriors <https://theairbarrier.com/service-group/home-performance-testing> Home Performance Testing Residential Insulation & Air Sealing Home Performance Testing Energy Audits Infrared Diagnostics Ice Dam Prevention REDUCE ENERGY BILLS Through professional onsite testing and consulting, along with solutions tailored to your project needs, you can be confident your money is well spent. ENERGY EFFICIENCY We are Certified Consultants as well as Qualified Contractors equipped to help Wisconsin residents and businesses make choices that save energy, save money, and protect the environment. ENERGY PERFORMANCE TESTING We are qualified to do energy performance testing, combustion safety testing, and comprehensive air sealing. We will depressurize your home so we can find and seal areas of energy loss. If your home is efficient (only 2% of all homes) we do not charge anything. You have lots to gain and nothing to lose. INSULATION We know which insulation is the best for walls, attics, and other applications. We insulate side walls, attics, crawlspaces, and just about any place you need us to. We use quality materials made to insulate and reduce outside noise in your home. Some of our products are especially useful at pest and mold control as well. AIR SEALING Air sealing is the work of filling hidden gaps, cracks, and holes in the shell of the building between the interior and exterior. This may be done using caulks or foams, or we may have to build something more tailored to the issue. It really depends upon the hole that was found. AIR INFILTRATION TESTING & AIR SEALING Your home is one of the biggest investments in your life. Protecting this investment is a concern of many property owners. Is it a concern for you? A home performance audit is designed to measure how airtight a home or building is. It can help in diagnosing comfort, indoor air quality and durability within your building. Incorporating the infrared camera in conjunction with the blower door accentuates and clarifies areas of concern. Accurate-Airtight Exteriors is proud to work with the Focus on Energy Home Performance with ENERGY STAR program in central Wisconsin to deliver whole-house energy savings to improve comfort and help protect the environment. In our opinion, every customer that works with us wants to save money and be more comfortable in their home. However, a large percentage of them also care about the environment and want to reduce their carbon footprint. These are the true services that we provide, not air sealing and insulating, but helping people to save money, be more comfortable, and to enable homeowners to reduce their carbon emissions from energy loss to contribute to a more sustainable society.

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Tax credits are available for the following upgrades, which may also qualify for FOCUS ON ENERGY® rebates and instant discounts.



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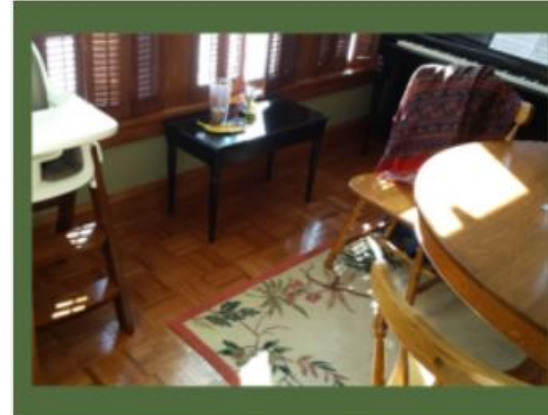


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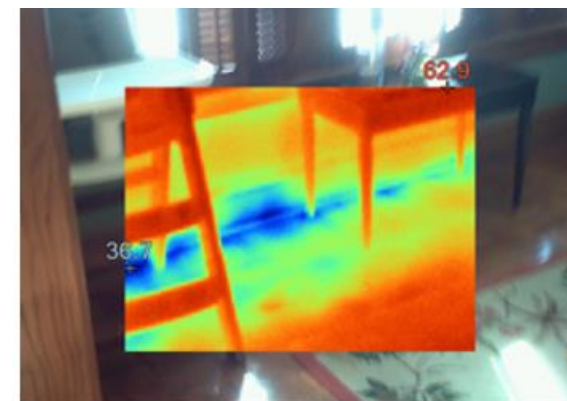
Item	Federal Tax Credit	2024 Focus on Energy Rebate
Insulation	30% of product cost, up to \$1,200	<p>Starts July 1, 2024</p> <p>Standard</p> <p>Up to \$1,950</p>
		<p>Income-Qualified*</p> <p>Up to \$2,620</p>
Home Energy Audit	30% of costs, up to \$150	N/A
Windows & Skylights (Must meet ENERGY STAR® Most Efficient criteria)	30% of product cost, up to \$600	N/A
Exterior Doors	30% of product cost, up to \$250/door. Annual max. \$500	N/A
Air Source Heat Pumps	30% of project, up to \$2,000	Instant discount available*
Geothermal Heat Pumps	30% for property placed in service	Up to \$1,000
Central Air Conditioners ENERGY STAR®	30% of project, up to \$600	N/A
Furnaces (Natural Gas)	30% of project, up to \$600 Minimum 86% AFUE	<p>Instant discount available*</p> <p>Minimum 95% AFUE</p>
Furnaces (Oil)	30% of project, up to \$600	N/A
Hot Water Boilers (Natural Gas) ENERGY STAR®	30% of project, up to \$600	Instant discount available*
Hot Water Boilers (Propane, Oil)	30% of project, up to \$600	N/A
Biomass Stoves/Boilers	30% of project, up to \$2,000	N/A
Heat Pump Water Heaters	30% of project, up to \$2,000	Instant discount available*
Water Heaters (Natural Gas)	30% of project, up to \$600 Requires ENERGY STAR® v5.0 effective 4/18/23	Instant discount available*
Solar Energy Systems	30% of property placed in service	<p>Up to \$300</p> <p>Customers in specific ZIP codes may receive an additional \$300 bonus for solar electric systems</p>
Small Wind Turbines	30% of property placed in service	N/A
Battery Storage Technology	30% of property placed in service	N/A
Fuel Cells	30% of property placed in service	N/A

[*You may qualify for higher rebates based on your household's income. Learn more about income-qualified rebates.](#)

4 Biden-Harris Administration Announces Wisconsin Launch of Federal Home Energy Rebates Program Helping Lower Families' Utility Bills August 2, 2024 Excerpts edited by RAWSEP for brevity and clarity and relationship to Residents Against Wood Smoke Emission Particulates, a 501c3 nonprofit organization. [Energy.gov](#) Biden-Harris Administration Announces Wisconsin Launch of Federal Home Energy Rebates Program Helping Lower Families' Utility Bills Supported by the Investing in America Agenda, Nearly Half of States Have Submitted Applications to Start Delivering Home Energy Savings and Increasing Local Workforce Opportunities MILWAUKEE, WISC. — As part of President Biden's Investing in America [agenda](#) the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) announced today that Wisconsin has launched its first Home Energy Rebates program, supported by the Inflation Reduction Act. Even more, Wisconsin is the first state in the nation to launch the Home Efficiency (HOMES) portion of the rebate program – enabling households at all income levels, with an emphasis on lower-income households, to save on energy efficiency improvements such as insulation, air sealing, and heat pumps that reduce whole-home energy consumption. Wisconsin's launch is part of the Biden-Harris Administration's nationwide initiative to provide \$8.8 billion in Federal funding for states, territories, and Tribes to lower energy costs and increase efficiency in American homes by making it cheaper to install cost-saving measures such as heat pumps, electrical panels, and insulation. These energy-saving measures will save American households up to \$1 billion annually in energy costs and support an estimated 50,000 U.S. jobs in residential construction, manufacturing, and other sectors. These investments also advance the President's [Justice40 Initiative](#) which sets a goal that 40% of the overall benefits of certain federal climate, clean energy, affordable and sustainable housing, and other investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized by underinvestment and overburdened by pollution. “The Biden-Harris administration is helping families save energy and save money, and we're not slowing down,” said U.S. Secretary of Energy Jennifer M. Granholm. “Wisconsin is leading the pack of states building up their local workforce and keeping money in the pockets of their residents, all thanks to the Investing in America agenda.” “Home energy rebates for clean and energy-efficient appliances and upgrades are good for the planet because they help cut pollution. But more importantly, they are good for Wisconsin families because they will save money by lowering energy bills,” said John Podesta, Senior Advisor to the President for International Climate Policy. “Congratulations to Wisconsin for being the second state in the nation to make these game-changing Inflation Reduction Act incentives available to their residents.” “President Biden and Vice President Harris's leadership is helping turbocharge efforts across the country to expand access to cost-saving clean energy upgrades and cut the pollution that hurts our environment and public health,” said White



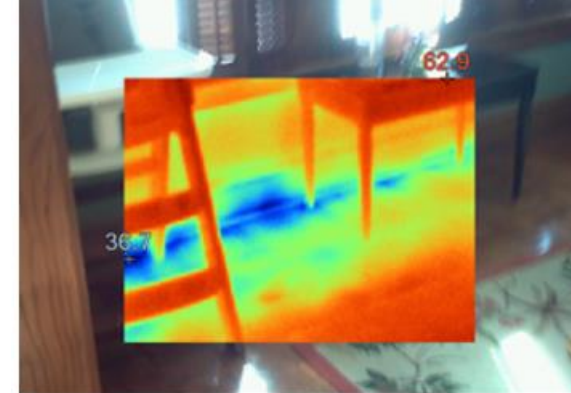
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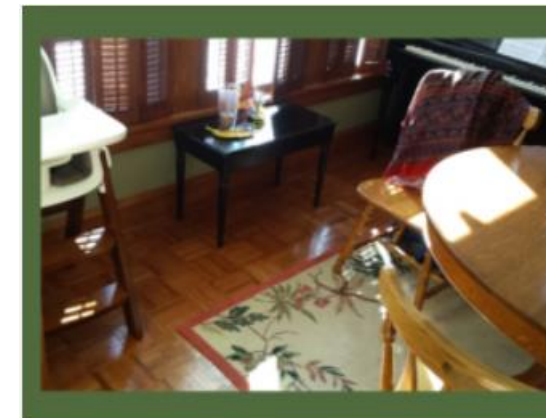
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House National Climate Advisor Ali Zaidi. “Home energy rebates will help both reduce emissions and lower energy costs for Wisconsin families using tried-and-true insulation, heat pumps, and efficient appliances and lighting. As climate-fueled extreme heat also continues to impact communities, better insulation and heat pumps will keep families safer and more comfortable. This \$149 million infusion will help Governor Evers’ HOMES and HEAR program reach tens of thousands more folks. It strengthens the partnership between the Biden-Harris and Evers administrations to deliver more utility bill savings for more Wisconsin families. This Biden-Harris investment will make a difference at the kitchen-table level from Green Bay to Eau Claire, Madison to Milwaukee literally all across the state and that’s why it’s a big deal.” Many Americans spend a large portion of their monthly income to heat, cool and power their homes with some of the lowest-income families spending upwards of 30% of their income on energy bills. Overall, by participating in the Home Energy Rebate programs, individual households could save up to \$14,000 for energy-efficient home upgrades and hundreds more on monthly energy bills. To advance the objective of these programs, DOE is requiring states and territories to allocate at least half of the rebates to low-income households, defined as those earning 80% or less of their area median income, which is expected to benefit many households in disadvantaged communities. States and territories must also submit Community Benefits Plans to ensure good jobs and other economic opportunities are available. To help keep consumers informed and equipped with resources, DOE recently released a [Consumer Bill of Rights framework](#) and is encouraging state, territorial and Tribal rebates programs to adopt it. and is encouraging state, territorial and Tribal rebates programs to adopt it.

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