

# Maine's Home Energy Rebate Federal Funding Application

Summary of Maine's Application to the  
U.S. Department of Energy

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## Application Overview

**Maine has been allocated nearly \$72 million** in federal funding to support home energy efficiency and electrification rebate programs. These programs will complement existing state energy efficiency incentives and federal tax credits already available to Maine residents and businesses.

These rebates will help households save money on energy bills, upgrade to clean energy equipment, improve energy efficiency in their homes and reduce air pollution.

Maine has applied for this funding under two distinct programs managed by the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and funded by the **Inflation Reduction Act**.

- **Home Energy Rebates (HER)** for upgrades that meet minimum energy savings thresholds
- **Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEAR)** for electrification measures, such as heat pumps

Both programs are limited to funding residential efficiency upgrades and prioritize income-eligible households.

After collecting stakeholder feedback on a draft plan, Maine's application was submitted on April 30, 2024 by the **Maine Governor's Energy Office** in coordination with **Efficiency Maine** and **MaineHousing**.

Maine expects to hear back from DOE in the coming months. Funds are anticipated to be available to Maine residents as soon as late summer 2024, and will be administered by Efficiency Maine.

For more information on Maine's application, visit **[maine.gov/energy](https://maine.gov/energy)**. To receive email updates, sign up for the Maine Governor's Energy Office email newsletter and opt-in to Home Energy Rebate Program Updates (see QR code on page 2).



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# Application Details

**Home Efficiency Rebates (HER):** Rebates for home efficiency upgrades that achieve minimum energy savings thresholds set by the federal government. This program will prioritize heating system retrofits that replace fossil fuel systems with heat pump technologies

- **Budget:** \$35.9 million for Maine
- **Eligibility:** (1) low-income multifamily retrofit (i.e., replaces an existing system), and (2) any-income multifamily retrofit
- **Technology:** technology-neutral but must achieve minimum energy savings thresholds (at least 20% energy savings)

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For questions about MaineHousing's Weatherization Program, call **(207) 626-4600 ext. 57433**

