

Washington Cash Incentives

FOR HOME ENERGY IMPROVEMENTS

Energy Trust of Oregon offers the following cash incentives to help homeowners who are NW Natural customers in Washington make energy-saving home improvements. All improvements, except installation of attic/ceiling, knee wall and floor insulation, must be installed in Washington by an Energy Trust trade ally contractor, or any other licensed contractor with a current Washington contractor's license. To see all energy-saving opportunities available from Energy Trust, visit www.energytrust.org/washington.



Weatherization

ENERGY TRUST INCENTIVE

Effective January 1, 2012

Incentives are subject to funding availability and may change. Visit www.energytrust.org/washington for current incentives and requirements.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Air Leakage Test

\$35 per residential structure

Requirements: Air leakage test must be performed by an Energy Trust trade ally contractor who is certified to perform the test; if a trade ally contractor does not serve your community, call Energy Trust at 1.866.368.7878 for details; contractor must perform a Blower Door test to measure the amount of air leaking from your home; the invoice must list air leakage data; test-only incentive is available.

Seal Air Leaks

50% of cost, up to \$275 per residential structure, for gas-heated homes

Requirements: Air leakage test must be performed before and after sealing air leaks by an Energy Trust trade ally contractor who is certified to perform the leakage test; trade ally contractor's invoice must list pre- and post-CFM₅₀ numbers and locations of sealed air leaks; a minimum 300 CFM₅₀ reduction must be achieved in gas-heated homes; trade ally contractor must install a UL-listed carbon monoxide detector when a combustion appliance exists; Minimum Ventilation Level shall be at or above the program threshold, limit waived with approved mechanical ventilation.

Cash-back bonus available from Energy Trust
\$150 Home Comfort Package

For requirements and details, visit
www.energytrust.org/bonuspackage.

Duct Leakage Test

\$35 per duct system tested

Requirements: Duct leakage test must be performed by a certified Performance Tested Comfort Systems, PTCS, contractor to PTCS testing procedures; test-only incentive is available ; contractor must submit a PTCS Duct Sealing Certificate and Sealing Form; incentive is ineligible when combined with furnace installation.



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Seal Ductwork

50% of cost, up to \$325, for gas-heated homes

Requirements: Ducts must be in an unconditioned space; a UL-listed carbon monoxide detector must be installed, if not already present, if a combustion appliance is within the conditioned space; minimum 150 CFM₅₀ reduction must be achieved along with a minimum 50% reduction in duct leakage or the final CFM₅₀ numbers shall be less than 10% of the floor area of the conditioned space; and the contractor must submit a PTCS Duct Sealing Certificate and Sealing Form with pre- and post-CFM₅₀ numbers.

Windows

\$3.50 per square foot of windows installed, U-Value 0.25 or less

\$2.25 per square foot of windows installed, U-Value 0.26 – 0.30

Requirements: Incentive application must include proof of window size and U-Value for each window installed. For proof of U-Value, a copy of the NFRC sticker from each window must be submitted. For proof of window size, a packing slip, manufacturer, distributor or retailer invoice must be submitted. If a packing slip or invoice is unavailable, your contractor may submit a Windows Addendum as documentation of window size.

Example: If all requirements are met, the incentive paid for six windows with an area of 12 square feet each and a U-Value of 0.26 – 0.30 would be \$162. A \$252 incentive would be paid for windows with a U-Value of 0.25 or less.

Cash-back bonus available from Energy Trust **\$100 Windows Bonus Package** when you install a second qualifying home improvement.

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Insulation

Each insulation incentive can only be paid one time per home, regardless of ownership.

Attic/ceiling: \$0.25 per square foot, Requirement: If R-18 or less, must insulate to R-38

Floor: \$0.30 per square foot, Requirement: If R-11 or less, must insulate to R-30, or fill cavity

Rim joist: \$0.30 per square foot, Requirement: If R-4 or less, must insulate to R-15, or fill cavity

Wall: \$0.30 per square foot, Requirements: If R-4 or less, must insulate to R-11, or fill cavity; all heated exterior walls must be insulated

Knee wall: \$0.30 per square foot, Requirements: If R-4 or less, must insulate to R-15 for 2x4 cavities, or R-21 for 2x6 cavities; cover attic side of wall with vapor permeable air barrier

Duct: 50% of cost, up to \$100, Requirements: If R-2 or less, must insulate to R-11; ducts must be sealed before insulation is applied

Boiler pipe insulation: \$0.50 per linear foot, Requirement: If R-2 or less, must insulate to R-8

Example, if all requirements are met in a typical 1,200-square-foot house, incentive paid for ceiling insulation would be \$300, and \$360 for floor insulation. Even more cash back is available for insulating rim joists, walls, knee walls, ducts and boiler pipes.

Self-installation: Attic/ceiling, knee wall and floor insulation can be self-installed. Call us at 1.866.311.1822 before beginning work to receive pre-approval. Incentives are paid only for materials, not labor. An Energy Trust work quality verification is required to receive an incentive. Self-installed projects do not qualify for a multiple-improvement bonus.

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Cash-back bonus available from Energy Trust
\$150 Home Comfort Package

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Water Heating

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Gas tankless water heater: \$200, Requirement: 0.80 Energy Factor, EF, or greater

Gas tank water heater: \$35, Requirement: 0.62 EF, or greater



Heating and Cooling

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ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Gas Furnace

\$100, Requirements: 90% AFUE, or greater; must be used as primary heat source

Direct-Vent Gas Unit Heater

Up to \$100, Requirement: Unit must have a minimum 80% AFUE; visit www.energytrust.org/washington for qualifying models

Direct-Vent Gas Fireplace

\$150, Requirement: 70% Fireplace Efficiency, FE, or greater

\$100, Requirement: 65 – 69% FE

Requirement: Direct-vent gas fireplace must be vented to the outside with sealed combustion; visit www.energytrust.org/washington for qualifying models

Intermittent Pilot Light Ignition incentive available from Energy Trust

\$100 additional incentive is available for the purchase of a high-efficiency direct-vent gas fireplace with an intermittent pilot light ignition. Direct-vent gas fireplace must meet Energy Trust's FE standards to qualify. This incentive does not apply to other gas appliances.

Gas Boiler

\$200, Requirement: 88% AFUE, or greater



Low-Cost, No-Cost Opportunities

Home Energy Review: Available online, over the phone or at your home with an energy advisor

Requirements: Visit www.energytrust.org/start for details and to request your Home Energy Review.

High-performance showerheads: Available from retailers at special prices

Energy Saver Kits: Free kit includes energy-saving products

Requirements: Your water must be heated with fuel by NW Natural. Visit www.energytrust.org/free to order your kit.

Requirement: Visit www.energytrust.org/residential for a list of participating retailers.



Bonus Packages

Home Comfort Package

Receive a \$150 bonus, in addition to standard Energy Trust cash incentives, when you seal air leaks, upgrade your attic, wall and floor insulation and work with a trade ally contractor. Note: Homeowner must make two or three insulation improvements based on the trade ally contractor's recommendations.

Windows Bonus Package

Receive a \$100 bonus, in addition to standard Energy Trust cash incentives, when you install qualifying windows along with a second qualifying improvement and work with a trade ally contractor (except for qualifying self-installed improvements).

Bonus package requirements: Cash incentives must be applied for in the same mailing and each additional improvement must be installed within 90 days of the first improvement project. Visit www.energytrust.org/bonuspackage for complete requirements.

HOW TO RECEIVE CASH BACK FOR COMPLETED ENERGY-EFFICIENCY HOME IMPROVEMENTS

1. Identify your home's energy-efficiency needs.

To improve your home beyond the surface, contact Energy Trust for a Home Energy Review consultation online, by phone or at your home with an energy advisor. You can also schedule a comprehensive Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® assessment, performed by a specially trained contractor, who will evaluate and test your home's energy efficiency, indoor air quality and safety. (There is a fee for the Home Performance assessment, which varies by contractor.)

2. Complete improvements.

Contact an Energy Trust trade ally contractor, or any other Washington-licensed contractor, to discuss and schedule installation of eligible energy-saving improvements. You must contact Energy Trust before any eligible self-install improvements are made.

3. Apply for cash incentives.

Within 90 days of improvement completion, submit your completed incentive application (available from your contractor or online at www.energytrust.org/washington) and a copy of your contractor's invoice marked "paid in full" to: NW Natural Washington, Energy Trust of Oregon Existing Homes, P.O. Box 40508, Portland, Oregon 97240, or fax to 1.866.516.7592. Ask your contractor to help you complete the forms. When Energy Trust receives all the completed required documents, you will receive your incentive check by mail in six to eight weeks.

RULES AND REQUIREMENTS

- You must own a home located in Washington and primarily heat the home, or water when applicable, with natural gas supplied by NW Natural.
- Energy Trust incentives are effective January 1, 2012, and are subject to change. Incentives cannot exceed the cost of installed improvements.

- All improvements—with the exception of listed self-install upgrades—must be installed by an Energy Trust trade ally contractor or any other Washington-licensed contractor. Self-install upgrades must comply with Energy Trust's Weatherization Specifications Manual. Other restrictions may apply.
- Special restrictions apply. Before installation, encourage your contractor to review the full requirements and read the Weatherization Specifications Manual at www.energytrust.org/wxspecs for detailed requirements.



For a list of all incentives, rules and requirements, and to find a contractor near you, visit www.energytrust.org/washington or call **1.866.368.7878**.

RESOURCES

- Energy Trust and trade ally contractor limited-time promotions—www.energytrust.org/promotions
- U.S. Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy—www.energysavers.gov
- ENERGY STAR and federal tax credits—www.energystar.gov
- Efficient Windows Collaborative—www.efficientwindows.org
- Washington Association of Building Officials—www.wabo.org