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## Federal Programs Update for Arizona Contractors

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# **Programs Overview**

## **IRA: Key EE and Workforce Development Programs**





### Signed into law on August 16, 2022

### Nearly **\$370 billion** in support of clean energy and energy efficiency

Program	Funding	Status
<b>HEAR:</b> Home Electrification & Appliance Rebate Program	\$4.5B	States working on applications, anticipate mid- 2024 program availability
<b>HOMES:</b> Home Energy Performance- Based, Whole-House Rebates	\$4.3B	States working on applications, anticipate mid-2024 program availability
<b>TREC:</b> Training for Residential Energy Contractors	\$200M	\$150M available for State applications, due January 31, 2024. \$40M in competitive funding, NOIs due May 9, 2024.
<b>GGRF:</b> Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund	\$27B	Award to Solar4All applicants and green banks in 2024, funding available subsequently
25C Tax Credit (30% of cost)	<b>\$12.4B</b> CBO estimate	Available now; capped at \$1,200 for envelope + \$2,000 for heat pump or HPWH

### **Residential Rebate Programs: HOMES & HEAR**



Projects must achieve a certain amount of **energy savings** to qualify for rebates.

Rebates **double** for low- and moderate-income individuals.

Larger rebates are available for retrofits that save more energy.

Two approaches: **modeled** savings and **measured** savings

HOMES AZ Allocation: \$76.7 million

HEAR AZ Allocation: \$76.4 million HEAR Allocation for Tribes within AZ: \$31.1 million

HEAR Program				
Appliance		Rebate Amount (Maximum)		
88	Heat Pump (for space heating and cooling)	\$8,000		
	Electric Stove, Cooktop, Range, or Oven, or Clothes Dryer	\$840		
ı گ	Heat Pump Water Heater	\$1,750		
<i>DD</i>	Electric Wiring	\$2,500		
	Electric Load Service Center (Breaker Box)	\$4,000		
	Insulation, Air Sealing, and Ventilation	\$1,600		

HEAR requires rebates be applied with income verification at the **"point of sale"** 



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### **Arizona Rebates Timeline**

- AnnDyl Policy Group
- July 2024 Arizona HEAR application approved by DOE and contract awarded to Resource Innovations for implementation
- Late August Initial HEAR rollout: Pilot program to address backlog at Community Action Agency for AC-to-Heat pump replacements. Initial limited availability program to accelerate rollout
- Coming this Fall: HEAR: retail availability of appliances, full program availability through contractors to follow later this year
- Remainder of 2024
  - ▶ HOMES application submitted ~Fall 2024, program start early 2025
  - Office of Resiliency and Resource Innovations expected to release additional program details:
    - Contractor participation and certification requirements
    - Income verification processes
    - Rebate values and limits, funding allocations for low-income and multifamily
    - Program design options measure or modeled approaches, retail participation
    - Consumer- and contractor-facing resources, Spanish-language content
    - Continuing to incorporate inputs from contractor roundtables and feedback into program design

## **DOE Requirements for State Rebate Programs**

- Low-income funding allocations
  - Low-Income (39.7%)
  - Low-Income Multifamily (10%)
  - States <u>may</u> choose to increase these allocations
- Stacking encouraged
- Multifamily buildings can combine funds for larger projects
- Audit and cost estimate requirements
- \$200 Disadvantaged Community contractor incentive
- Stackable with tax credits and utility rebate programs



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### HOMES: Modeled Savings Pathway





Contractors use approved BPI-2400 software to model homes using past utility data, assess potential improvements, and predict energy savings

<b>Energy Savings</b>	Single-Family	Multifamily	and OptiMiser
20 - 34	<b>\$2,000</b> or <b>50 percent</b> of the project cost (whichever is less).	<b>\$2,000</b> per dwelling unit, with a maximum of <b>\$200,000</b> per multifamily building.	approved for BPI-2400
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35 percent and over	<b>\$4,000</b> or <b>50 percent</b> of the project cost (whichever is less).	<b>\$4,000</b> per dwelling unit, with a maximum of <b>\$400,000</b> per multifamily building.	increase the low-income cap to 100% of project
	<b>DOUBLE</b> for low-income households: <b>\$8,000</b> or <b>80 percent</b> of the project cost (whichever is less).		

### HOMES: Measured Savings Pathway





Aggregators use approved software to measure home energy usage post-installation, providing rebates based on actual achieved energy savings

Energy Savings	Single-Family & Multifamily	Potontially	
15	<b>\$2,000</b> payment rate per kilowatt hour saved equal to a 20 percent reduction for the average home in the state, or <b>50 percent</b> of project cost.	Potentially higher rebates for leaky & poorly insulated homes. Aggregators can	
percent and over	<b>DOUBLE</b> for LMI individuals, <b>\$4,000</b> payment rate per kilowatt hour saved equal to a 20 percent reduction per home or dwelling unit, or <b>80 percent</b> of project cost. For multifamily buildings to qualify, at least 50 percent of residents must be LMI.	provide up- front payments to building owners, avoids waiting for rebate payments.	

## HOMES: Key Points



### >HOMES Energy Audit Requirements

- DOE removed BPI-1100 requirements, full data collection recommended for Modeled projects
- > HOMES Energy Modeling Requirements **BPI-2400**
- > States will be required to set and issue third-party certifications.
- ENERGY STAR certification required for heating, cooling, and water heating products
- \$200 Contractor/Aggregator Installer Benefit for work in underserved households (per dwelling unit)

### HEAR: Electrification Rebates





- Low- to Moderate-Income households are eligible for rebates up to a total of \$14,000 for electric systems/appliances.
- Income qualified at point of sale.
  - <150% AMI = 50% of project cost</p>
  - <80% AMI = 100% of project cost</p>
- Fuel-Switching or First-Time Installation cannot replace an old heat pump
- Home Assessments
  - On-site/virtual (Heat Pumps) + QA inspections
  - Geolocated Photos (all other projects)

Appliance		Rebate Amount (Maximum)
	Heat Pump (for space heating and cooling)	\$8,000
	Electric Stove, Cooktop, Range, or Oven, or Clothes Dryer	\$840
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## **Qualified Contractor Lists**

- States will need to determine qualification(s) that contractors will be held to, potentially including (but not limited to):
  - Home performance industry credentials
  - Training requirements
  - Business insurance and licensure
  - Skills standards
  - Labor standards
- States will also need to plan out delisting processes to protect against fraud and abuse.

# **Additional Federal Funding**



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#### **Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund (\$27B)**

- Solar for All (\$7B)
  - Arizona receive \$150M award
  - Enabling upgrades (including efficiency) can be included
- National Clean Investment Fund (\$14B) and Clean Communities Investment Accelerator (\$6B)
  - Green Bank-type entities, loans for homeowners and EE businesses
- All GGRF programs requires Davis-Bacon prevailing wage accounting

#### **EE Revolving Loan Fund:**

- AZ's formula allocation is \$1,660,180.
- Supports loans/grants for EE projects.
- AZ application submitted; awaiting DOE award.

#### Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP):

- Additional \$47.5M from IIJA
- DOE approved Arizona's plan in January 2023

### Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant (EECBG):

• Over \$9.5 million in formula grant allocations for state and 20 counties/cities; can support a wide range of energy efficiency and conservation activities; check with your local jurisdiction on their plans.

#### Workforce Training Grants:

Training for Residential Energy Contractors (TREC): Arizona allocation of \$2.6 million for residential workforce training and support. Awaiting DOE approval of application.





### Federal Residential Tax Credits: Available now!

**Existing Homes: 25C Energy Efficient Home Improvement Credit**, 25D Residential Clean Energy Credit

25C: <u>https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p5967.pdf</u> 25D: <u>https://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p5968.pdf</u>

- **25C:** 30% for residential energy efficiency upgrades, electric heat pumps and heat pump water heaters
  - Stackable with state and federal incentives
  - Renters can qualify for HVAC equipment and energy audits (but NOT insulation, air sealing, windows, doors)
  - \$3,200 maximum allowable annual credit
    - > Up to \$1,200 for efficiency upgrades; up to \$2,000 for heat pumps and HPWHs
  - Audits: Requires written report of measures/savings
    - As of Jan. 1, 2024, requires "qualified" auditor certification (AEE, ASHRAE, BPI, BSI, or RESNET)

**25D:** 30% for the costs of solar panels, geothermal heat pumps, and other clean energy systems.

**<u>New Homes</u>: 45L New Energy Efficient Home Credit** 

\$2,500 for ENERGY STAR New Homes

\$5,000 for DOE Zero Energy Ready Home (ZERH)

Multi-family residences must meet prevailing wage standards for full credit





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### **How You Can Prepare to Participate?**

- BPA will continue to provide updates as further details are released:
  - Let us know if you are not currently receiving update emails, and visit our site for additional resources: <u>https://building-performance.org/arizonahome-energy-rebates-for-contractors/</u>
- Share your EE story with BPA to highlight
  - Customer projects, workforce stories, challenges and opportunities





AZ Contractor Handout & Information





Residential Capital Stack



25C Tax Credit Fact Sheet





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