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Notice of Availability HEEHRA Phase I Rebates

The California Energy Commission (CEC) is launching the first phase of the Inflation Reduction Act-funded Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (HEEHRA) Program. This phase will provide \$80 million in residential rebates to low-to-moderate income households across California to retrofit their homes with electric equipment and appliances. Rebates vary based upon household income, and eligible equipment and appliances include heat pump air heating and cooling systems for single-family homes as well as heat pump air heating and cooling systems, heat pump water heaters, electric cooking appliances, heat pump clothes dryers, and broader electrification measures for multifamily residential units. A full list of eligible appliances and the income qualification can be found on TECH Clean California's HEEHRA Program page.

Multifamily property owners can apply for rebates starting on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, and single-family homeowners will be able to apply for rebates in the coming weeks. The CEC and TECH Clean California will provide notification when the HEEHRA-specialized contractor training and single-family rebates are available.

HEEHRA Phase I rebates will only be available through the TECH Clean California initiative and must be delivered through a TECH-certified contractor who is trained in the HEEHRA rebates. The application for HEEHRA rebates is only available online via TECH Clean California's HEEHRA Program portal. Please visit TECH Clean California's HEEHRA Program page for more information on the program and how to apply.

Rebates are not available for appliances or equipment purchased or installed before program launch.

Background

The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), Pub. L. 117-169 (August 16, 2022), authorized the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to carry out two Home Energy Rebates programs – HEEHRA and Home Efficiency Rebates (HOMES). These two programs provide a combined \$8.8 billion in funds for the benefit of U.S. households, to be distributed to households by State Energy Offices and Indian Tribes. California received an award of \$581 million for HEEHRA and HOMES and is required to apply to the DOE with program proposals for review and approval. The DOE is responsible for providing oversight and

guidance, and the States are responsible for the administration of rebate programs at the state level.

The CEC is the managing recipient of HEEHRA and HOMES funds for the State of California. The CEC was awarded initial funding of \$72M in June 2024 for program development, operations, and rebates. Once goals for rebates to low-income homeowners are met, additional funding will become available for future phases.

Inquiries

Information on the HEEHRA Program and a link to register to the IRA listserv can be found on the CEC's <u>IRA program page</u>. You can also find more information on the HEEHRA rebates on the <u>HEEHRA Program page</u> operated by the program administrator, TECH Clean California.

If you have questions on the program, please contact the CEC's IRA Residential Rebates Customer Support Center at IRAresidentialrebates@energy.ca.gov