

## Energy Financial Incentives for Pennsylvania Residents

According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, the average Pennsylvania family consumes more than 10,000 kilowatt-hours (kWh) of electricity annually and spends more than \$2,000 per year on energy bills. A homeowner can take steps to make their home more energy efficient at little or no cost. Some projects, such as lighting changes, require little financial investment. Other projects, such as insulation or improvements to heating and cooling systems, may require significant financial investment. This fact sheet describes some financial incentives that may be available to Pennsylvania residents who wish to save energy and money.

### Act 129 Electric Company Energy Efficiency Programs and Rebates

The PA Public Utility Commission (PUC) implements Act 129, which guides consumers and electric utilities toward achieving reduced energy consumption and peak electric demand. To find out more information about energy efficiency programs that may be eligible to you from your electric company, click [here](#).

### Energy Assistance Programs

The PUC provides a listing of energy assistance programs to help with lowering your monthly bill, budget billing, installation of energy saving features, and more. Click [here](#).

### Weatherization Assistance Program

Pennsylvania's Weatherization Assistance Program strives to increase energy efficiency in low-income homes by reducing energy costs and increasing comfort while safeguarding health and safety. To determine if you are eligible to receive assistance and to locate a weatherization provider, click [here](#).

### Home Energy Efficiency Loan Program (HEELP)

The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency's (PHFA) HEELP offers loans for specific energy efficiency repairs. Loans between \$1,000 and \$10,000 are offered at a fixed-rate of one percent (1 percent) for 10 years with no prepayment penalties. For more information about HEELP, click [here](#).

### Federal Rebates for ENERGY STAR Products

To encourage customers to buy energy efficient products, ENERGY STAR partners occasionally with sponsors to provide special offers, such as sales tax exemptions, credits, or rebates on ENERGY STAR certified products. Click [here](#) and enter your zip code to see what offers may be available in your area.

### Federal Tax Credits for Consumer Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Products

A tax credit reduces the amount of tax you have to pay. For example, if you owe \$800 in taxes at the end of the year, and you get a \$300 tax credit, then you will only owe \$500. If you don't pay any taxes, then you can't get the tax credit for energy efficiency. For information about available tax credits for products such as: geothermal heat pumps, small wind turbines, solar energy, fuel cells, and microturbine systems, click [here](#).

### Alternative Fuel Vehicle (AFV) Rebate Program

Pennsylvania provides a cash rebate to consumers for the purchase of a new plug-in hybrid, plug-in electric, natural gas, propane, and hydrogen fuel cell vehicle. For more information about the AVF Rebate Program please click [here](#) or call 866-294-3854, Harrisburg area: 717-214-3492.

## **Plug-In Electric Drive Motor Vehicle Federal Tax Credit**

A federal tax credit is available for the purchase of a new qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicle that draws propulsion using a traction battery. Eligible vehicles must have a battery capacity of at least five kWh, use an external source of energy to recharge the battery, have a gross vehicle weight rating of up to 14,000 pounds, and meet specified emission standards. For more information, click [here](#) or call the U.S. Internal Revenue Service at 800-829-1040.

Click [here](#) for more information on low-cost/no-cost energy efficiency improvements.

## **Database of State Incentives for Renewables and Efficiency**

Click [here](#) for a list of additional incentives that may not be included above.

For more information, visit [www.dep.pa.gov](http://www.dep.pa.gov).