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## Get EnergyWise<sup>SM</sup> Today

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# High Efficiency Heat Pump Program



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Use less. Spend less. Do more.

# Those who are wise know...



It's less expensive to save a kilowatt-hour of energy than it is to generate and deliver one. You may not, however, know that you could qualify to receive financial assistance via an incentive or low interest loan, when you install a high-efficiency, qualified heat pump.

Your heating and cooling system is likely the largest user of energy in your home. Having your contractor complete a performance verification test (which is a requirement in order to receive the incentive) will ensure your heat pump is performing at or near its rated capacity.

## DIRECT INCENTIVE

High Efficient Heat Pump (HP)  
(based on AHRI equipment rating)

System Type	Minimum Incentive Criteria	Incentive Recipient	Incentive
Air Source HP	15-15.9 SEER, 12.5 EER, 8.5 HSPF	Homeowner	\$300
Air Source HP	16-17.9 SEER, 12.5 EER, 8.5 HSPF	Homeowner	\$600
Air Source HP	3 or more stages	Homeowner	\$600
Air Source HP -	18+ SEER, 12.5 EER, 8.5 HSPF	Homeowner	\$900
Air Source HP	Variable Capacity	Homeowner	\$900
Water or Ground Source HP - 1 or 2 Stage	Any EER	Homeowner	\$1,800
Water or Ground Source HP - variable capacity	35+ EER, 5.0+ COP in GLHP - partial load column of AHRI or Energy Star certificate	Homeowner	\$2,500

OR

For Dealer (installation contractor) Only			
Qualified HP Installation	Operates within 10% of Mfg. Specifications	Dealer	\$50

*An AHRI Certificate is required for all equipment meeting the requirements in the table above. If an AHRI Certificate is not attached to the Verification Form, the maximum incentive will be \$100.*

## LOW INTEREST LOAN

Apply for a **low interest loan** through the Nebraska Energy Office's "**Dollar and Energy Savings Loan Program**" for your new qualifying heat pump system.



Incentives valid as of 1-1-2019. Subject to change without notice. Verify current incentive amounts and program information at [www.perennialpower.com](http://www.perennialpower.com). These EnergyWise™ programs are only available to customers of NPPD and customers of its wholesale utilities.

# PROCESS

A separate application form can be found at [www.nppd.com](http://www.nppd.com) for an air source heat pump and ground source heat pump.

## Option 1: Direct Incentive

The homeowner selects a qualified heat pump (min. 15 SEER, 12.5 EER, and min. 8.5 HSPF or a variable capacity heat pump).

1. The installing contractor; 1) performs a Performance Verification Test of the system, 2) records the results on the attached application form, and 3) signs it.
2. The homeowner signs the application and submits it to their local electric utility.
3. If the installed heat pump operates within 10% of the manufacturer's specification, then both the homeowner AND the contractor receive an incentive.
4. If the installed heat pump does not pass (which may be the case with some existing homes), only the homeowner receives the incentive, because they chose a high efficiency heat pump. The contractor does not qualify because the desired energy performance is not obtained.
5. The local utility will provide the incentive directly to the homeowner, and the Nebraska Public Power District will provide the incentive to the contractor.

## Option 2: Low Interest Loan

*Through a partnership with the Nebraska Energy Office and approximately 600 financial institutions throughout the state, you can finance your new heat pump system at a low interest rate.*

Homeowner must install a new heat pump (min. 15 SEER, 12.5 EER, and min. 8.5 HSPF). Other heat pump system components can be included in the loan (ie. back up furnace—electric or fossil fuel, programmable thermostat, etc.)

1. Contact the financial institution of your choice and request a EnergyWise Loan – which is low interest through the Nebraska Energy Office's "Dollar and Energy Savings Loan Program". Find more information at [www.neo.ne.gov](http://www.neo.ne.gov).
2. If the local financial institution is not aware of the program – contact the Nebraska Energy Office at 402-471-2867.
3. **The customer cannot proceed with the installation until the Nebraska Energy Office has processed the loan paperwork; this can take as many as 10 business days.**
4. Homes built within the last 5 years are not eligible for the low interest loan (but they are eligible for the incentive).
5. Request that a performance verification is done on the installation – contractor completes application and it is then signed by the contractor and homeowner and sent to your electric utility provider. If it is operating within 10% of the manufacturing specifications – we will pay your contractor \$50. This helps ensure your system is installed correctly.