

Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates (IRA 50122):

Smart Consumer Packet

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Summary

This Smart Consumer packet provides information regarding the Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources' (OER) Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program (IRA 50122). The Home Electrification and Appliance Rebates Program (HEAR program) is implemented in partnership with the Rhode Island Community Action Agencies, from now on referred to as CAPs. This plan documents how OER plans to respond to consumer feedback, the procedure for issue resolution, data review standards, home assessment procedures, installation standards, and plans for continuous improvement. It also provides information on other state rebate programs provided by OER, the Rhode Island Department of Human Services (DHS), and the state's utilities including Rhode Island Energy, Block Island Utility District, and Pascoag Utility District.

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1. State Rebate Programs

1.1. OER Programs

OER offers the following rebate programs for eligible households:

Clean Heat Rhode Island

The Clean Heat Rhode Island program offers incentives to assist homeowners, income eligible households, non-profits, and small-to-mid-size business owners with the



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purchase of high efficiency electric heat pumps. To learn more about Clean Heat Rhode Island visit [Home - Clean Heat Rhode Island \(cleanheatri.com\)](http://cleanheatri.com) or contact the program implementer at 401-341-6183 or at CleanHeatRI@AbodeEM.com

Affordable Solar Access Pathways (ASAP) Program:

The ASAP program will provide qualifying households in environmental justice areas access to affordable rooftop solar and energy efficiency services. To learn more about the ASAP program, please visit [Affordable Solar Access Pathways \(ASAP\) Program | Rhode Island Office of Energy Resources \(ri.gov\)](http://AffordableSolarAccessPathways(ASAP)Program|RhodeIslandOfficeofEnergyResources(ri.gov)), email abigail.hasenfus@energy.ri.gov or call 401-574-9117.

Driving Rhode Island to Vehicle Electrification (DRIVE):

The DRIVE program offers rebates to incentivize the adoption of clean transportation, the following rebates are open to Rhode Island residents:

- Electric vehicles
- Electric vehicle chargers
- Electric bicycles

To learn more about the DRIVE program visit [Home | drive](http://Home|drive), email energy.DriveEV@energy.ri.gov, or call 401-871-7837.

1.2. DHS Programs

DHS offers the following programs for eligible low-income households:

Low-income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP):

LIHEAP helps eligible low-income households pay for their heating bills; this program is implemented by the CAPs. To learn more about the LIHEAP program, please visit [Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \(LIHEAP\) | RI Department of Human Services](http://LowIncomeHomeEnergyAssistanceProgram(LIHEAP)|RIDepartmentofHumanServices) or contact your local CAP Agency.

Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP):

WAP helps income-eligible households reduce heating bills by providing whole home energy efficiency services to households that qualify for LIHEAP. This may include installing insulation and providing health and safety measures including installing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, reducing drafts, and providing proper ventilation. The WAP program is implemented by the CAPs. To learn more about the WAP program, please visit [Weatherization Assistance Program \(WAP\) | RI Department of Human Services](http://WeatherizationAssistanceProgram(WAP)|RIDepartmentofHumanServices) or contact your local CAP Agency.

2. Federal Tax Credits



Homeowners and renters may be eligible for clean energy federal tax incentives. To learn more, please visit the U.S. Department of Energy's website: [Making Our Homes More Efficient: Clean Energy Tax Credits for Consumers](#) | [Department of Energy](#)

3. Utility Rebate Programs

3.1. Rhode Island Energy

Rhode Island Energy offers a variety of rebates for eligible households such as the items listed below:

- Boilers and Furnaces
- Water heaters
- Heat pump water heaters
- ENERGY STAR-certified air cleaners
- ENERGY STAR-certified air conditioners
- ENERGY STAR-certified clothes dryers
- Smart thermostats
- ENERGY STAR-certified pool pumps
- Weatherization

For more information on eligible products and to schedule a no-cost home assessment, please contact Rhode Island Energy at 1-888-633-7947. To learn more about Rhode Island Energy's Rebate Programs visit their webpage at [Rhode Island Energy \(rienergy.com\)](#)

3.2. Block Island Utility District

The Block Island Utility District offers the following rebates:

- Weatherization
- HVAC and water heating equipment

For more information on eligible products call 401-466-5851. To learn more, about Block Island Power Companies rebates visit their website at [Efficiency Program – Block Island Power Company](#).

3.3. Pascoag Utility District

The Pascoag Utility District offers rebates for the following items:

- Weatherization
- ENERGY STAR-certified clothes washers
- ENERGY STAR-certified clothes dryers
- ENERGY STAR-certified air purifiers
- ENERGY STAR-certified air conditioners
- HVAC and water heater rebates



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For more information on eligible products, call 401-568-6222. To learn more, about Pascoag Utility District's rebates, please visit their website at [Rebate Forms - Pascoag Utility District \(pud-ri.org\)](https://www.pud-ri.org).