

# REVISED TOWN REBATE PROGRAM

## Frequently Asked Questions



### What is covered and what are the rebate amounts?

#### HOME EQUIPMENT/SERVICES

Air Source Heat Pump	\$1,200
Hot Water Heat Pump	\$400
Air Sealing with energy assessment	\$100
Insulation	20% of project cost (max \$2,000)
Energy assessment	\$300
Weatherization	\$300

#### NOTICE:

**EVS, LAWN CARE EQUIPMENT AND E- BIKES HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE REBATE PROGRAM.**

### What are the income limitations?

This program is limited to households with 100% of the Area Median Income (AMI). See below for what family size and household income are eligible.

1 person	- below \$82,810
2 Person	- below \$94,640
3 Person	- below \$106,470
4 Person	- below \$118,300
5 Person	- below \$127,764
6 Person	- below \$137,228
7 Person	- below \$146,692
8 Person	- below \$156,156

### What do I need to apply?

To receive reimbursement from the Town, you must provide:

- Photo ID,
- Proof of residency (can be photo ID),
- Completed W-9 form, and
- Proof of payment for equipment or services not qualified for Efficiency Maine rebates, or
- Proof of Efficiency Maine rebates or a valid acknowledgment of eligibility letter from Efficiency Maine for qualifying equipment or services (home heat pumps, air sealing with energy assessment, insulation).

### Can different people from the same household apply for Electrify Everything! rebates?

Yes, more than one person from a single household can apply for rebates; however, the \$2,000 per household maximum still applies.

### Is there a maximum number of times a household can apply for rebates?

There is no maximum on the number of times a household can apply for rebates or the maximum number of rebates per household. There is only a maximum on the sum total of the rebates, which is capped at \$2,000 per household.

### Why do I have to fill out a W-9?

In order to send you your rebate, the Town needs to file you as a “contractor” of the Town. This information will only be used to send you your rebate.



If you have questions, call Town Office at (207) 865-4743 ext 104 or email [msmith@freeportmaine.com](mailto:msmith@freeportmaine.com)





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## How long will it take to receive my rebate?

It should take 2-3 weeks to receive your rebate. You will hear back from Town staff within 2 weeks if there are issues with your application.

## Why are these rebates offered only to households with low-to-moderate income?

Efficient technology can be costly. These rebates aim to make efficiency investments more affordable for households with low-to-moderate income in Freeport.

## What about E-bikes, EVs, and electric lawncare equipment?

In September, 2023 the program was expanded to include lawncare tools, EVs and E-bikes, but was pared down to only electric home equipment/services in February of 2024. As of February 26, 2024, the program is no longer accepting applications for lawncare equipment, EVs, and E-bikes.

**Applications for these items (EVs, E-bikes, etc.) submitted after 2/26/24 will not be considered, even if the purchase occurred before 2/26.**

## After applying, how will I know if I have been approved?

You will receive a qualification letter from the Town. If there is a problem with your application, you will receive an email or phone call from Town staff.

## If I don't have enough rebate money left to receive a full rebate, can I get a partial rebate?

Yes. If you have already applied for other rebates and want to use up the rest of your \$2,000 maximum rebate total per household, you can use the remaining amount to apply for a partial rebate. Fill out the amount you are requesting under the partial rebate column in your application.

## What if I purchased my equipment/services before January 3, 2023?

Unfortunately you are not eligible. Only qualifying home equipment or services purchased or installed on or after January 3, 2023 are eligible for Electrify Everything! rebates.

## How is this rebate program funded?

Electrify Everything! rebates are funded in whole or in part with funds from the American Rescue Plan Act. The funding set aside for these rebates is available on a first-come-first-serve basis.

## How does this rebate program connect to Freeport's climate goals?

Traditional home heating systems that burn petroleum products emit a number of air pollutants such as carbon dioxide, particulate matter, and ozone that contribute to both global climate change and localized air pollution.

When paired with an electric grid that is increasingly run on renewable energy sources (like wind and solar), electric home heating systems will help reduce Freeport's greenhouse gas emissions and keep our air clean. Every Freeport resident that transitions away from fossil fuels will help us reduce our greenhouse gas emissions!

**Apply today!**



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