

# LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program



Thinking of upgrading your home?

Improve your home's energy efficiency to receive valuable rebates and:

- reduce your energy costs
- improve the comfort of your home

For more information:

Visit: [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](https://livesmartbc.ca/rebates)

Email: [EfficiencyIncentives@gov.bc.ca](mailto:EfficiencyIncentives@gov.bc.ca)

Call: 1 866 430 8765

For information on other home energy efficiency rebates visit [powersmart.ca/rebates](https://powersmart.ca/rebates) or [fortisbc.com/offers](https://fortisbc.com/offers).

This Program is a partnership between BC Hydro Power Smart, FortisBC\* and the Ministry of Energy, Mines, and Natural Gas (MEMNG). MEMNG is subsidizing your home energy assessments while the utility partners are providing rebates for your home energy retrofits.

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We're working together to help BC save energy.

**Step 1) Choose a Certified Energy Advisor to conduct an energy assessment of your home between April 1, 2013 and December 31, 2013.\***

Your Certified Energy Advisor will provide:

- A thorough in-home assessment of heating, hot water, windows, doors, ventilation, insulation, and overall air leakage.
- A customized report showing your home's energy efficiency (EnerGuide) rating and prioritized upgrade options.

To find a Certified Energy Advisor near you, visit [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates).

**Step 2) Make the energy efficiency improvements to your home by March 31, 2014 and keep your receipts.**

- Using the information from your assessment, you can decide which upgrades make the most sense for your home and budget.
- Be sure to talk to your Certified Energy Advisor and Contractor about ensuring healthy indoor air quality and building durability after your upgrades.
- Hiring a reputable contractor will help you put your Certified Energy Advisor's recommendations into action. For tips on how to choose the right contractor, visit [hiringacontractor.com](http://hiringacontractor.com).

**Step 3) Complete a follow-up energy assessment with your Certified Energy Advisor by March 31, 2014.**

- Your Certified Energy Advisor will verify the improvements you made in your home, verify your receipts, and will give you a new EnerGuide rating that could increase the resale value of your home.
- The rebate applications are handled by the Certified Energy Advisor, which means no extra work for you.

To start the process or for more information about LiveSmart BC rebates, visit [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates).

\*Note: If you have had your property evaluated since April 1, 2012 by a Certified Energy Advisor, a new pre-retrofit evaluation may not be required. If you are eligible for re-entry, you must e-mail [EfficiencyIncentives@gov.bc.ca](mailto:EfficiencyIncentives@gov.bc.ca) before you start any upgrades and before December 31, 2013 to obtain a registration number. (See the full program terms and conditions available at [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates) for details).

## Program Incentives: April 1, 2013 - March 31, 2014

Measure	Detail	Rebate
Air Tightness	Perform Air Sealing of the Home to Achieve	
	• Base Target + 25%	\$400
	• Base Target + 15%	\$250
Mechanical Ventilation	Install or Replace an ENERGY STAR® Bathroom Fan	\$25
Attic Insulation	Upgrade to achieve a minimum of R50	
	• Starting from R12 or less	\$600
	• Starting from R13 to R25	\$300
	• Starting from R26 to R35	\$100
Cathedral or Flat Roof Insulation	No existing insulation. Upgrade to a minimum of R14	\$600
	Existing R1 to R12. Upgrade to a minimum of R28	\$600
	Existing R13 – R35 . Upgrade to a minimum of R50	\$200
Exterior Wall Insulation	Achieve a minimum of R12+ by adding at least R9 to...	
	• 100% of building	\$1200
	• 80% of building	\$1000
	• 60% of building	\$700
	Achieve a minimum of R12+ by adding at least R3.8 to...	
	• 100% of building	\$750
	• 80% of building	\$600
• 60% of building	\$450	
Basement Insulation	Add at least R23 to...	
	• 100% of surface area	\$1000
	• 80% of surface area	\$800
	• 60% of surface area	\$600
	Add at least R10 to...	
	• 100% of surface area	\$500
	• 80% of surface area	\$400
• 60% of surface area	\$300	
Basement Header	Add at least R-20	\$100
Crawl Space Wall	Add at least R-23	\$800
	Add at least R-10	\$400
Floor Above Crawl Space	Add at least R-24	\$450
Exposed Floor	Add at least R-20 (150 sq. ft. minimum)	\$175

Not all requirements are detailed in this document. For complete details on the LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program incentives, talk to your Certified Energy Advisor and read the full terms and conditions located at [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates). The incentives and grants are subject to revision, and will be paid in accordance with the terms and conditions in place at the time of the homeowner's post-retrofit energy assessment. Payment of incentives is subject to the availability of funds.

## Terms & Conditions in brief

The following is a summary of the program terms and conditions in place as of April 1, 2013. Terms and conditions may change at any time without notice. For full program terms and incentives, and to review the LiveSmart BC Notes for Contractors and Participants, visit [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates). Applicants are responsible for reviewing and understanding the current full program terms and conditions before participating in this program. For more information on the LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program, talk to your Certified Energy Advisor, visit the program website at [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates), or call **1 866 430 8765**.

- **Availability:** This offer is available to homeowners of eligible properties in the Province of BC that are heated primarily with electricity, natural gas or propane supplied by either BC Hydro or FortisBC. Electrically heated customers served by local municipal utilities within the service territories of BC Hydro or FortisBC (electric) are also eligible. Homes primarily heated by wood, oil, or other fuels at the time of the baseline or pre-retrofit energy assessment are not eligible. Homes heated primarily by natural gas or propane that is not supplied by FortisBC are not eligible.
- **Primary Heating Type:** For the purposes of incentive eligibility, heating type is determined by the Certified Energy Advisor at the time of the baseline or pre-retrofit assessment as per the definitions and protocols set by Natural Resources Canada.
- **Homeowner Responsibility:** To ensure grant eligibility, program participants are solely responsible for researching program criteria, choosing eligible products, keeping receipts and meeting deadlines.
- **Program Entry:** Under certain limited circumstances, program participants with a recent pre-retrofit and/or post-retrofit energy assessment, may re-enter the program without completing a new pre-retrofit assessment and receive incentives for new energy upgrades completed before March 31, 2014. For details on program re-entry requirements view the current program terms and conditions available at [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates).
- **Service Organizations and Energy Advisors:** Certified Energy Advisors and service organizations are licenced by Natural Resources Canada. The LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program is not responsible for the actions of the service organizations or the Certified Energy Advisors. Quality assurance for this service is provided by Natural Resources Canada.
- **Incentive Amounts and Payment:** For full details on current incentive amounts, visit [livesmartbc.ca/rebates](http://livesmartbc.ca/rebates). The incentives and grants are subject to revision, and will be paid in accordance with the terms and conditions in place at the time of the homeowner's post-retrofit energy assessment. Payment of incentives is subject to the availability of funds.
- **Product Liability:** The LiveSmart BC: Efficiency Incentive Program and its Partners does not endorse any specific product, retailer or contractor and accepts no liability in the selection of materials, products, performance or workmanship.
- **Health and Safety:** All upgrades or renovations must meet local codes and by-laws. Before undertaking upgrades or renovations, find out about the appropriate products and installation techniques to ensure that your home's structure, its indoor air quality and your safety are not compromised.