

A Smart Way to Boost Your Bottom Line

Residential New Construction Program

Earn rebates when you build new, energy-efficient homes with CenterPoint Energy's Residential New Construction Program. The program offers rebates to builders and developers for homes constructed to our Gold Star, Platinum Star or Platinum Star Plus standards.



A star rating for new homes

The Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Index Score is like a miles-per-gallon sticker for homes. It gives prospective buyers and homeowners insight into how a home ranks in terms of energy efficiency. Based on this system, CenterPoint Energy has developed Gold Star, Platinum Star and Platinum Star Plus standards, for which homebuilders can apply and receive rebates and further promote their homes to buyers.



Build competitive sales strategy

- New construction homes with a HERS certification sell faster than non-certified homes, spending an average of 18 days less on the market.*
- Energy-efficient homes sell for as much as 8 percent more than their non-certified counterparts.**
- Realtors are able to use HERS Index Scores as a strategic selling tool, promoting the lower maintenance, increased comfort and lasting value to potential buyers.



Eligibility requirements

- A home must be rated by a RESNET® certified HERS Rater between January 1, 2021 and December 31, 2021.
- Homes constructed in CenterPoint Energy natural gas and/or electric service territories are eligible for rebates.
 - Service must be active at the time of application submittal.
 - Rebates are available for single-family detached homes, duplexes and end-unit homes in attached townhomes, where only one wall is shared.
 - Ground-source heat pumps and dual-fuel systems, where a heat pump is used in conjunction with a gas furnace, are not eligible.

Available Rebates

Star Rating	HERS Index Score	Natural gas heat and electric A/C	Electric heat and A/C (electric service only)	Natural gas heat (natural gas service only)
Gold Star	≤62	\$700	\$700	\$350
Platinum Star	≤60	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$500
Platinum Star Plus***	≤60 with tankless water heater	\$1,200	\$1,200	\$700

*Source: Earth Advantage Institute **Source: US Green Building Council ***Homes with CenterPoint Energy gas must install natural gas tankless water heater. Homes with only CenterPoint Energy electric must install either an electric tankless or heat pump water heater.



Learn more

Visit CenterPointEnergy.com/SmartSavings for more information and to download a rebate application. If a home does not qualify for rebates through this program, it may still be eligible for rebates through the Residential Rebate Program. Call **866-240-8476** for more details.

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