

ATTACHMENT A

Resources to Help County Residents and Businesses Install All-Electric Water Heaters and Heating, Ventilation, and Cooling (HVAC) Systems

Sustainability staff at Contra Costa County’s Department of Conservation and Development have compiled three tables that outline rebate or direct installation programs at the local and state levels, as well as grants the County is pursuing to help community members pay for all-electric water heaters and HVAC systems after the Bay Area Air District’s amendments to Rules 9-4 and 9-6 go into effect, with the first affecting water heaters in 2027.

Most local and state incentive/direct install programs that support heat pump appliances are primarily funded through California utility ratepayers.

Tables are up to date as of February 24, 2026.

Table 1 - Local Rebate or Direct Install Programs

Program	Eligibility	Description	Expiration Date	Funding Source
Bay Area Air District - <u>Clean HEET</u>	Bay Area homeowners with a wood-burning device	Incentive to decommission wood-burning device and replace with a heat pump HVAC.	N/A	U.S. EPA Targeted Airshed Grant program and Bay Area Air District
BayREN - <u>EASE Home</u>	Bay Area homeowners with income <u>under 120% Area Median Income</u>	BayREN covers 80% of project costs. Customer’s copay is capped at 20% of costs, no more than \$1,000. Typical project costs are between \$5,000-7,000.	Dec 31, 2027	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission

Program	Eligibility	Description	Expiration Date	Funding Source
MCE - <u>Home Energy Savings</u>	Renters and homeowners located in MCE service area that meet qualifying household income	Free home energy assessment, up to \$7000 in duct sealing, attic insulation, smart thermostat, and more directly installed.	N/A	Utility ratepayers
MCE - <u>Emergency Water Heater Loaner program</u>	Contractors installing water heaters at MCE customer residences	Per-unit \$1500 incentive for contractors for each permanent heat pump water heater installed after installing a temporary loaner water heater at MCE customer residence.	Program is capped at \$145,000.	Utility ratepayers. NOTE: The agenda for the MCE Executive Committee meeting on March 2, 2026 proposes eliminating this program and redirecting those funds to other MCE energy efficiency programs.
PG&E/Switch is On - <u>Electrify my Block</u>	Any eligible Contra Costa County neighborhood in which 100% of properties agree to participate.	Direct install, no-cost, energy-efficient electric appliance installation up to \$35,000 in new appliances for residents in eligible neighborhoods. 100% of property owners in the block must agree to participate. PG&E will subsequently decommission the gas lines serving that block.	N/A	PG&E with approval from the California Public Utilities Commission

Program	Eligibility	Description	Expiration Date	Funding Source
Contra Costa County - <u>PACE Financing</u>	All property owners	Borrow money for the purpose of making energy or water efficiency improvements that is paid back on property tax bill.	N/A	N/A
Contra Costa County - <u>Pinole Energy Enhancement Rebate Program</u>	Pinole residents only. See website for eligibility.	Incentives for qualified energy efficiency or all-electric residential projects.	Next phase end date TBD	City of Pinole – General Fund
<u>East Contra Costa Healthy Homes Initiative</u>	Income-qualified homeowners in Pittsburg and Antioch.	Installation of heat-pump HVAC systems, electric water heaters, and solar with battery storage where feasible. Program details to be determined.	N/A	California Jobs First - Bay Area Jobs First Collaborative Program

Table 2 - State Rebate or Direct Install Programs

Program	Eligibility	Description	Expiration Date	Funding Source
Association for Energy Affordability - <u>Equitable Building Decarbonization</u>	Low-income households earning up to 80% of the area median income.	Direct install (no cost) retrofits for heat pump HVAC, heat pump water heater, induction stove, clothes dryer, and more. Applies to single-family homes, multi-family properties, townhomes and condos, farmworker housing, residential buildings,	~\$130M for North region of State	California Energy Commission - California Climate Investments and the U.S. Department of Energy's Home

		mixed-use with residential portion, manufactured homes, mobile homes, and multi-family manufactured homes.		Efficiency Rebates (HOMES) Program
Energy Solutions -TECH Clean California - <u>Multifamily Incentives</u>	No longer accepting applications	Incentive for heat pump water heater replacements for gas/propane/electric resistance water heaters.	Fully reserved as of July 10, 2025	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
Energy Solutions - TECH Clean California - <u>HEEHRA Rebates</u>	Applications paused. Income-qualified Single family and multi-family tiers.	Single family: rebate up to \$8,000 for low-income and \$4,000 for moderate-income households for a heat pump HVAC.	Paused – Stage 1 applications full.	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
California Public Utilities Commission - <u>Long-Term Gas Planning Rulemaking R.24-09-012</u>	TBD	Pilots of 30 neighborhood-level gas line removals to replace with all-electric alternatives. Several census tracts in Contra Costa County are on the initial list for possible inclusion. The County is participating in the CPUC proceeding.	TBD	Utility ratepayers
CLEAResult - <u>Golden State Rebates</u>	As of January 2026, all water heating rebates are temporarily unavailable.	Electric water heater rebates.	Currently unavailable.	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
CLEAResult - <u>Comfortably California</u>	Contractors or distributors who supply contractor equipment and resources	Offers resources and incentives to distributors, manufacturers and retailers for selling high-efficiency HVAC equipment and provides no-cost training to contractors and technicians.	N/A	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission

PG&E - <u>Go Green Financing</u>	Program options for residential, business, and contractors. Residential includes multifamily.	0% financing options for all-electric appliances, weatherization, water heaters, EV chargers, and more.	N/A	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
PG&E - <u>Energy-Smart Homes</u>	Single- and multi-family homeowners who complete whole building electrification alterations.	Incentives for all-electric water heaters, induction cooktops, thermal energy storage, heat pump space heating, pool or spa heater, and more.	N/A	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
PG&E - <u>Energy Savings Assistance Multifamily Energy Savings</u>	Income qualified multifamily properties with five or more units.	No-cost and reduced-cost lighting, heating and cooling, domestic hot water, building envelope and weatherization, appliances and plug loads.	N/A	Utility ratepayers - California Public Utilities Commission
<u>QuitCarbon Rebates</u>	Homeowners or renters. Single- or multi-family.	\$100 rebate for first electrification measure (heat pump HVAC, heat pump water heater, etc.) and \$200 for the second, limited to \$300.	N/A	Various state/federal sources

Table 3 - Grants and Potential Funding Sources

Grant	Eligibility	Description	Expiration date
<p>Bay Area Air District - <u>Local Community Benefits Fund</u></p>	<p>Richmond, Benicia, and communities from Rodeo to Pittsburg</p>	<p>Projects must advance at least one of the program’s two core strategies: reducing air pollution and improving health outcomes or building economic resilience. Three levels of grants ranging from \$100k to \$40M.</p>	<p>Applications due in May 2026.</p>
<p>Contra Costa County - <u>Keller Canyon Mitigation Fund</u></p>	<p>Bay Point, Pittsburg, and Antioch residents.</p>	<p>The Keller Canyon Mitigation Fund currently funds the <u>Bay Point/Pittsburg Energy Enhancement Pilot Program</u>, which offers rebates to cover up to 50% of the project cost (maximum of \$8,000) for the installation of qualified electric heat pump heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems in eligible single-family homes. Future Keller Canyon Mitigation Fund allocations may be able to further support energy efficiency and all-electric home improvements. The program was funded at \$150,000 and is fully subscribed.</p>	<p>Applications for the next round of funding open in May of 2026. County Sustainability staff will apply for funding to continue this program, with possible modifications to increase resident participation.</p>