

Heat Pump Water Heater (HPWH) Rebate Program

The City of Bozeman is offering a \$500 rebate for water customers who install a qualifying heat pump water heater. Customers can receive an additional \$75 for participating in a satisfaction survey following the installation.

Meet the Future of Water Heating

Heat pump water heaters, also known as hybrid electric water heaters, use electricity differently than conventional water heaters by moving heat rather than generating it - using up to 70% less energy than standard electric water heaters.

All rebate forms and information can be found at www.bozeman.net/sustainability

1 Plan Ahead

Is your water heater nearing the end of its lifespan? Plan ahead to replace your water heater before you find yourself urgently replacing it! Although heat pump water heaters are the most efficient option on the market today, it isn't the best option for every home. You may also qualify for additional federal and local incentives. Learn more by visiting www.bozeman.net/sustainability and working with your local contractor.

2 Pre-Application (Optional)

The Pre-Application is an optional step to ensure that the water heater you plan to install qualifies for the rebate and funding is available. Submit the Pre-Application online or via email/mail. Following your Pre-Application submission, City staff will promptly contact you to verify the eligibility. The corresponding rebate funds will be reserved for a period of up to 30 days.

3 Rebate Application

After the unit is installed, submit a Rebate Application Form (online or via email/mail). This form requires proof of installation; an invoice from the installation contractor is preferred (including a line item for the purchase price of the unit or a separate purchase receipt). If self-installed, a receipt for the purchase and a photo of the installation will suffice. You will receive the rebate check in the mail within 40 days of submittal.

4 Satisfaction Survey (Optional)

Following the approval of your rebate application, City staff will contact you to set up an optional satisfaction survey. This will consist of a 10 to 15-minute follow-up call. Participants will receive an additional \$75 rebate.



HPWH installed at the Bridger View Development in Bozeman

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Frequently Asked Questions

Am I eligible for the rebate?

The installation address must be connected to City of Bozeman water to receive the rebate (if you receive a City of Bozeman water bill, you qualify). If the Applicant is not the owner of the building, the owner must provide a letter of approval. Applicants for commercial projects and multi-family (4+ units) buildings must contact sustainability@bozeman.net

What heat pump water heater units qualify?

Newly purchased units that meet the Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) standard. A list is available at: <https://www.ahrinet.org/certification/cee-directory>

What if I already installed a heat pump water heater?

Units installed prior to July 1, 2023 are not eligible.

Can I use the rebate for new construction installations?

Yes, the rebate is applicable for new construction or retrofit projects.

What do I need from my plumber for the rebate application?

An invoice that includes the installation date and the make/model of the unit.

Can I submit the rebate before the unit is installed?

No, the unit must be installed prior to submitting the rebate application. Submitting an optional Pre-Application can ensure the funds are available and your installation qualifies.

Can I apply for additional tax credits and incentives?

Yes, if you are eligible you can stack these with the City of Bozeman rebate.

How might installing a heat pump water heater impact my utility bills?

Water Heater Annual Costs Compared*			
Type of Water Heater	Energy Factor	Annual Cost	10-yr Cost
Heat Pump Water Heater	3.30	\$112	\$1,125
Natural Gas Storage Tank	0.68	\$148	\$1,476
Conventional Electric Tank	0.95	\$393	\$3,927

*Details at www.bozeman.net/sustainability