



# Clean HEET Program



## SUMMARY OF BASIC ELIGIBILITY, PROGRAM DETAILS AND PROCESS

The Clean Heating Efficiently with Electric Technology (Clean HEET) Program was developed by the Bay Area Air Quality Management District (Air District) to reduce wintertime wood smoke pollution and improve air quality by incentivizing Bay Area homeowners to replace qualifying wood-burning devices with electric heat pumps.

Beginning spring 2024, up \$2 million is available and approximately 270 grants will be awarded.

Complete program information is available in the Program Guidance located at: [www.baaqmd.gov/WoodSmokeGrant](http://www.baaqmd.gov/WoodSmokeGrant)

### BASIC ELIGIBILITY & TERMS

- Only **existing wood stoves or wood-burning fireplace inserts are eligible for replacement with an electric heat pump**. Existing device(s) must be indoors, operational, older than 2020, and used for heating purposes.
- Applicants must receive a *Notice to Proceed* from the Air District before making any purchases or starting any work. Examples of “work” include, but are not limited to, placing a non-refundable deposit for equipment or contractor, signing a contract or placing a work order, purchasing or ordering equipment, or beginning any physical work.
- Applicants must be the legal homeowner, and homes must be within the [Air District’s jurisdiction](#).
- Priority will be given to homes located in West Oakland, East Oakland, Richmond-San Pablo, and Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco, and other designated Priority Communities<sup>1</sup>
- All project work must be performed by (a) licensed contractor(s).
- Existing devices must be decommissioned and scrapped.
- A building permit must be obtained.
- Project Participants must comply with the [Program requirements, guidelines, and terms and conditions](#).

### DETAILS

- Maximum award, up to:
  - \$6,500 to replace first device, if manufactured 2014 or earlier and \$3,000 if manufactured 2015-2019<sup>2</sup>
  - Additional \$3,000 to replace a second device, if manufactured 2019 or earlier
  - Additional \$4,000 for applicants participating in a qualifying low-income assistance program<sup>3</sup>
- Grant award may be combined with incentives offered from other agencies, but Clean HEET funds paid may NOT exceed actual eligible project costs, after incentives and discounts are applied.

<sup>1</sup> Priority communities include [AB617 communities](#), [Air District CARE areas](#), and areas identified as [disadvantaged and/or low-income](#) by California Climate Investments.

<sup>2</sup> Only for homes located in West Oakland, East Oakland, Richmond-San Pablo, and Bayview Hunters Point/Southeast San Francisco

<sup>3</sup> Limited to 75 applicants

- Grant funds will be paid only after all approved work for a project has been completed and checks will be made payable only to the legal homeowner.
- Applications received by the submission deadline will be evaluated and ranked based on Program Evaluation Criteria and if the program is oversubscribed, lower-ranked applications received by the deadline will be placed on a waiting list.
- Application submittal does not guarantee funding.

## PROCESS

### Application and Award:

1. Gather supporting documentation.
2. **Submit application before the deadline: Wednesday, May 15, 2024, 5:00PM PDT.**
3. Apply using the [online portal](#) and wait for Air District staff contact you on next steps.
4. If a project is approved, applicant will receive a *Notification of Funding* with funding offer.
5. Applicants must review the *Terms and Conditions* and respond confirming acceptance within 14 days of receipt.
6. **Wait to receive a *Notice to Proceed*.** Projects in which any work has started prior to receipt of *Notice to Proceed* from the Air District are NOT eligible.

### Project Work<sup>4</sup>:

7. Obtain all required permits (must be submitted within 45 days of receiving a Notice to Proceed).
8. Work with licensed contractor(s) to complete all work including: install new heat pump, remove and destroy (scrap) old woodstove or wood-burning fireplace insert, and if the existing device was a fireplace insert decommission fireplace (required).
9. Document installation and destruction with photos.
10. Submit required documentation online to request reimbursement.
11. Collect reimbursement check after Air District verifies all requirements have been met.
12. Breathe easy with your new clean HEET-ing device!

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<sup>4</sup> Project work must be completed within 120 days of receiving a Notice to Proceed