

Low-to-Moderate Income Heat Pump Combo Incentive

OFFERED BY THE CITY OF LINCOLN & LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

The best way to heat your home in the winter and cool your home in the summer is with a heat pump. Electric heat pumps are more energy efficient than other heating and cooling systems and keep your home comfortable year-round. They also reduce your household's greenhouse gas emissions.

Through the City of Lincoln's Low-to-Moderate Income Heat Pump Combo Incentive, Lincoln residents who meet income guidelines may qualify for the \$3,000 City-funded incentive toward the purchase of an air source heat pump. Funds are available on a first-come, first-served basis until Aug. 31, 2024, or until funds are expended, whichever comes first.

Who is eligible?

- Homeowners in the city of
 Lincoln (single-family residences
 only) with an income equivalent
 to or below 80% of the Lincoln
 Area Median Income. See the
 income chart at LES.com/
 SEP and scroll to the City
 of Lincoln/LES Heat Pump
 Combo area. (Please note that
 any LES customer installing a
 high-efficiency heat pump that
 meets or exceeds LES' energyefficiency minimums can qualify
 for an \$800 LES incentive.)
- For more information, see the City's Home Rehabilitation section on the Housing Support page at Lincoln.ne.gov/HomeRehab.

What is eligible?

- Purchase and installation of air source heat pumps.
- Heat pumps must replace an existing heat pump or air conditioner that is at least five years old. A heat pump can be matched with a gas furnace or an electric furnace — consult a heating/cooling expert to determine what is best for your residence.
- Heat pumps with a minimum SEER2 (Seasonal Energy Efficiency Rating) of 15.2 and a minimum EER2 (Energy Efficiency Ratio) of 12.

What is not eligible?

- Any home outside of Lincoln city limits.
- Commercial property owners, including multi-family housing.
- Ground source heat pumps.
- New residential construction.

How does the program work?

- Contact Urban Development Department at <u>urbandev@</u> <u>lincoln.ne.gov</u> to see if you qualify for the \$3,000 City incentive. Approvals must occur before the heat pump is installed to qualify.
- 2. Visit LES.com/SEP to see
 the list of participating HVAC
 contractors. Contact one or more
 of these contractors for bids and
 available incentives. They will
 apply for the \$800 LES incentive
 on your behalf if the unit meets
 or exceeds LES' energy-efficiency



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minimums. Email
SEP@LES.com with any

questions.

3. Purchase and install your new heat pump through the contractor you select. The incentives will be applied as a credit on your contractor's invoice.

You may also qualify for tax credits

Federal tax credits are available for up to 30% of the cost of a new heat pump. This credit may be used in addition to the incentives from the City of Lincoln and LES. Visit Energystar.gov/about/ federal_tax_credits/air_source_ **heat_pumps** for further information. The City recommends consulting a tax professional on qualifying equipment and tax deduction details. You may also qualify for additional savings on other electrification updates. Visit the Inflation Reduction Act calculator for more information.

Get more information

Visit <u>LES.com/SEP</u> or <u>Lincoln.ne.gov/HeatPump</u>, or email LES at <u>SEP@LES.com</u>.