Getting the Work Done

After the assessment, your contractor will prepare a detailed work proposal outlining recommended improvements. These improvements may qualify for a 50% utility cost-share up to \$4,000 to help you pay for the energy efficiency improvements. Additionally, qualified customers may elect to use convenient low interest financing options to assist with program co-payments.

Once you decide which improvements to make, your Home Performance contractor will help you get the job done right. When work is completed, your contractor will run another set of tests to show the difference the improvements have made. Their work is also spot-checked by independent thirdparties, so you can have added confidence that your job will be done correctly.

Typical Results

The comprehensive approach offered by Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®] will make your home more comfortable and energy efficient. Depending on the improvements you choose, you may be able to save 20% or more on your annual energy bill.

How to Apply

The program is initially available to customers with higher than average heating bills.

To find out if you qualify, visit: www.nhsaves.com/HPwES

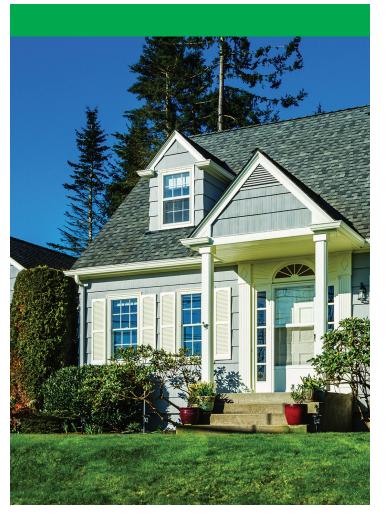
Or contact your electric or natural gas utility company.

Please have your home's square footage and one year of heating fuel usage history on hand.

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NH HOME PERFORMANCE WITH ENERGY STAR[®]

A whole house approach





If you're considering making improvements to your home to lower energy bills or fix comfort problems, you should learn about Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®].

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®] is a comprehensive, whole house approach to improving energy efficiency and comfort at home, while helping to protect the environment and reduce energy bills.

Rather than focusing on a single problem, like an old heating or cooling system, not enough insulation in the attic, or leaky windows, Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®] looks at how improvements throughout your home can work together to give you the best results.

Typical Home Improvements

Each home's problems are different, but there are some recommendations that Home Performance contractors frequently make:

Sealing Ductwork

Sealing leaks, making sure ducts are straight and properly connected, and insulating where needed, will greatly improve your home's comfort and energy efficiency.

Upgrading Lighting, Appliances, and Water Heating Equipment

Energy used in these areas can account for nearly half your utility bill, so there's big opportunity to save by installing ENERGY STAR[®] qualified products.

Benefits of Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®]:

- Fewer Drafts and More Comfortable Rooms
- Work Performed by Specially-Trained BPI Certified Energy Contractors
- Third-Party Quality Assurance to Make Sure Work Gets Done Right
- Save 20% or more on your annual energy bill

Sealng Air Leaks and Adding Insulation

These are critical first steps to improving the energy efficiency of your home.

Improving Heating and Cooling Systems

If your furnace or air conditioner is more than 10 years old, your contractor may recommend that your replace it with a unit that has earned the ENERGY STAR[®] label.

What to Expect From Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®]

A Comprehensive Home Energy Audit

The Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®] process starts with an interview with you, the homeowner, to help your contractor understand concerns you have about your home's energy use and comfort. (A \$500 value for just \$100.)

After the interview, the contractor will inspect your home to determine where improvements are needed – inspecting your home inside and out, including the heating and cooling equipment, duct systems, and even lighting and appliances. Your contractor will also inspect your attic, basement, or crawlspace (if you have them), and run diagnostic tests to check your home's air leakage, or use an infrared camera to find trouble spots.