Greensboro Energy & Climate Action Committee

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Buttoning up your home for winter can be overwhelming. Where to start? How much will it cost? What are the incentives?

The Greensboro Energy & Climate Action Committee members are here to help. You can also find a full list of home weatherization resources at <u>https://linktr.ee/saveenergynek</u>

NEW Incentive: Efficiency Vermont Home Repair initiative has up to \$15,000 in home repair rebates for income-eligible households.

To help prepare your home for weatherization Efficiency Vermont is offering home repair rebates on things like roof repairs, window repairs, electrical, plumbing, asbestos remediation, foundation repairs, siding repairs and more that would not normally be covered under the energy efficiency program.

5 Things to know about the Home Repair program:

- Any contractor can do the work BUT the home repairs need to tie into the Efficiency Vermont Weatherization program which means if you are doing repairs in order to be ready for the weatherization step you will need to document the repairs and then reach out to a certified EVT provider for the energy audit. The contractor can submit the paperwork on your behalf so make sure to discuss that with them before they do the work.
- Income-eligible households qualify for up to 100% of costs to be covered through the Weatherization Assistance Program. Confirm eligibility by going to <u>https://dcf.vermont.gov/benefits/weatherization</u>
- Households which are not income-eligible, still qualify for a \$4000 rebate, and can get a 30% federal tax credit.
- Weatherization projects must be overseen by an Efficiency Vermont certified Efficiency Excellence Network (EEN) contractor, and a blower door test must be done before weatherization work can begin.

To get more information on this and other rebate offers visit https://www.efficiencyvermont.com/rebates/list/home-repair

Not sure where to start? Consider taking advantage of EVT's FREE virtual energy audit. There are low interest loans, the WRAP program which is a Weatherization Repayment Assistance Program allowing you to pay via a monthly charge on your participating utility's electric or natural gas bill with no credit check required. And there is a \$100 rebate on any DIY weatherization projects.

There is no time like now to get started on making your home more comfortable for the winter.