

Home Performance with
ENERGY STAR®

From your home energy assessment
to major energy savings

step by step

Let's talk.

Home Performance with ENERGY STAR makes it easy to upgrade the energy efficiency of your home. We'll walk you through the process. When you take control of your energy use, you could **save hundreds or more**, and make your home more comfortable year-round. Sound smart? It is.

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The **7** simple steps to improving the energy efficiency of your home



1 The assessment. Once you've had your assessment performed you know what energy upgrades are needed to make your home as energy efficient as possible and help save money on your energy bills.

2 The contract. Next, it's time to sign a written contract with your participating Home Performance contractor. Here are some things to consider before signing your contract:

- Make sure the contract is detailed, including all work to be performed and equipment installed.
- The price offered should be a fixed price that cannot be changed without your written consent.
- The contract should cover payment terms, such as a down payment and when final payment is due.
- Only use a Building Performance Institute (BPI) accredited Home Performance contractor. These professionals have proven expertise in energy efficiency and follow tight quality assurance guidelines. You can verify your contractor's status by calling 1-866-NYSERDA.

3 Low-interest financing options. Home Performance with ENERGY STAR® offers two low-interest financing options through Green Jobs – Green NY*. Both options offer up to \$13,000 per household, up to \$25,000 if the project meets higher cost-effectiveness standards, and repayment periods of 5, 10, or 15 years.

Option 1: With an On-Bill Recovery Loan, you pay for the upgrades right on your utility bill, with your estimated energy savings covering the costs.

Option 2: An Unsecured Loan offers affordable interest rates, flexible terms and simple repayment options.

For more information, visit nyserdera.ny.gov/residential-financing, or call 1-866-NYSERDA.

4 Installation. During your energy project, it is recommended you meet with the participating Home Performance contractor at the beginning and end of each workday to review completed work.

5 Final tests. After work is complete, the participating contractor will repeat the tests from your home assessment to ensure conditions meet Home Performance with ENERGY STAR health, safety and technical requirements.

6 Project sign off. By signing the Certificate of Completion at the conclusion of your project, you are agreeing that the work on your project has been substantially completed. *Do not sign until work has been substantially completed.* You should notate on the "punch list" section of the completion certificate any remaining minor items that need completion. Final payment is now due, and once the participating contractor submits the signed Certificate to Home Performance with ENERGY STAR, financing and incentives will be processed.

7 Follow-up work. If you can't make all the recommended energy upgrades at one time, you can access incentives and financing up to the lifetime caps. Your participating contractor can provide you with this information.

Learn more at: nyserdera.ny.gov/home-performance or 1-866-NYSERDA



NYSERDA's Home Performance with ENERGY STAR program offers homeowners a comprehensive, whole-house approach to improving energy efficiency and home comfort while saving money. Energy assessments and upgrades are conducted by a participating Home Performance contractor accredited by the Building Performance Institute (BPI). Income-qualified homeowners are eligible for additional incentives to make energy improvements.



Participate in Home Performance with ENERGY STAR and take advantage of funding for comprehensive home energy assessments and low-cost financing for energy upgrades through Green Jobs – Green NY. Green Jobs – Green NY is a statewide effort to strengthen our communities through energy efficiency. It enables New Yorkers to make a significant difference in our homes, businesses and neighborhoods—making them more comfortable, more sustainable, and more economically sound. Green Jobs – Green NY is administered

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