



# Overview of programs and funding to support energy efficiency projects in Indigenous Communities



## Outline

- CleanBC Plan
- Better Homes & Better Buildings
- Indigenous Community Energy Coach
- Indigenous Community Heat Pump Incentive
- New Construction Programs
- Other funding & training opportunities



## CleanBC Plan

- Cleaner transportation
- Improve where we live and work
- Cleaner industry
- Reduce emissions from waste
- Helping people get the skills they need
- Measuring our progress
- Working together
- Reaching our targets





## CleanBC Better Homes

- Goal: accelerate retrofits that help households reduce greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs) and energy use
  - High efficiency heating equipment
  - Building envelope improvements
- Program was launched October 2018 and is currently funded through March 2023
- Jointly funded by the Government of British Columbia and Government of Canada



## CleanBC Better Homes Website

- Hub of information, rebates and support for reducing energy use and greenhouse gas emissions from new and existing homes
- Resources to learn about energy efficiency upgrades, services and contractors
- Programs and resources for Indigenous communities can be found at: [betterhomesbc.ca/Indigenous-Support](https://betterhomesbc.ca/Indigenous-Support)



## CleanBC Indigenous Community Energy Coach Program

- Discuss funding opportunities available to support fuel-switching and energy efficiency projects, with a focus on the CleanBC Indigenous Community Heat Pump Incentive;
- Work together to identify, assess and prioritize potential space and water heating fuel-switching and energy efficiency projects within Indigenous communities;
- Assist with heat pump installation planning;
- Provide CleanBC funding program application support; and
- Identify additional incentives available for other retrofit upgrades.



## Indigenous Community Energy Coach Program Goals

- Facilitate the implementation of fuel-switching and energy efficiency projects
- Reduce GHG emissions
- Conserve energy and make homes and buildings healthier and more comfortable
- Meet community energy goals
- Build capacity and awareness related to energy efficiency and fuel-switching





## CleanBC Indigenous Community Heat Pump Incentive

RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS	COMMUNITY BUILDINGS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Up to 80% of the cost of new heat pump installation(s), up to a maximum of \$12,000 per residential heat pump.</li><li>• For homes switching from woodstove primary to electric heat pumps:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$3,500 for a mini-split heat pump</li><li>• \$6,500 for a central heat pump system</li></ul></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Up to 80% of the cost of new heat pump installation(s), up to a max. of \$200,000 total per community building heat pump.</li></ul>

A total maximum incentive of \$200,000\* is available for each Indigenous community program application.





## CleanBC Indigenous Heat Pump Incentive funding has supported to date:

- 86 heat pumps installed in 2 (remote) Indigenous communities
- 90 additional heat pump installations in 2 Indigenous communities which are currently in progress
- 100+ additional heat pump installations in 4 Indigenous communities currently in planning phase



## CleanBC Better Homes New Construction Program

- The CleanBC Better Homes New Construction Program provides rebates for the construction of new, high-performance, electric homes in B.C. within BC Hydro's service territory.
- Licensed residential builders, owner builders, or builders authorized by Indigenous communities can apply for program rebates.



## Where to find more information on energy efficiency

- Fraser Basin Council - First Nations Home Energy Save
- Funding opportunities on CleanBC Better Homes website:  
[betterhomesbc.ca/Indigenous-Support](https://betterhomesbc.ca/Indigenous-Support)



# Thank you. Questions?

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