

# CAPITAL REGION HEAT PUMP REBATES

## What's a heat pump?

Heat pumps provide clean and affordable comfort year-round. Heat pumps efficiently and effectively heat your home because they only use a small amount of electricity to move a large amount of heat into your home. They also work in reverse in the summer to provide cooling or air conditioning.

## Why is funding available?

- » To make energy upgrades more affordable
- » To help residents avoid costly oil spills, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and save energy

## Up to \$3,700 in rebates

Switch from a fossil fuel (oil, gas, propane) powered heating system to an electric heat pump and receive:

- » Up to \$3,000 per home through CleanBC Better Homes
- » Plus a \$350 top-up for capital region residents
- » Plus an additional \$350 for Saanich and City of Victoria residents
- » Registration is first come, first served while quantities last or until September 2020.

To learn more:

[www.crd.bc.ca/heatpump](http://www.crd.bc.ca/heatpump)

## ANNUAL GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS (GHGs)\*

6,343  
CO<sub>2</sub>E  
kg/year

3,774  
CO<sub>2</sub>E  
kg/year

87 CO<sub>2</sub>E  
kg/year

1% of GHGs  
compared to oil.



OIL



GAS



HEAT PUMP

\*Based on older home with limited energy retrofits. See [www.crd.bc.ca/heatpump](http://www.crd.bc.ca/heatpump) for methodology.

## Why upgrade?

- **Lower heating bills:** If currently using 100% oil heating, a heat pump upgrade can save homeowners 40-75% off their annual heating bills. Gas-heated homes can also save money if the home is energy efficient.
- **Year-round comfort:** A heat pump takes the place of both an air conditioner and a heating system, keeping you warm in the winter and cool in the summer. Regional climate projections have shown that our region is expected to experience more days above 25°C in the future.
- **Maximum efficiency:** When properly installed, a heat pump uses half to a third as much energy as electric baseboards or a gas furnace.
- **Climate friendly:** For an average home heated by natural gas, switching to a heat pump reduces your carbon footprint by about the same amount as not driving your car for nine months of the year.
- **Provides air conditioning:** In the summer, heat pumps provide cooling.
- **Better indoor air quality:** Most heat pumps provide air flow and dehumidification with options to add an enhanced filtration system to clean the air circulating through your home of indoor pollutants, dust, pollen and other allergens.
- **Reduced risk of an oil spill on your property:** Homeowners with aging or under-maintained home heating oil tanks may have environmental and financial risks. Both above ground and underground oil tanks are vulnerable to leaking. This leaked oil can migrate into the soil and stormwater system which leads to our local creeks and marine shorelines.

When oil leaks happen, the property that is the source of the leak is responsible to pay for the cost of environmental clean-up, both on and off the source property. Home insurance does not cover these costs.

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## Are there other rebates?

The provincial CleanBC Better Homes and Home Renovation Rebate programs offer other rebates including replacing your electric heating system with a heat pump, insulation, windows and doors.

To learn more, visit [betterhomesbc.ca](http://betterhomesbc.ca)

## About

*CleanBC Better Homes provides incentives and support to help homeowners and businesses reduce energy use and greenhouse gas emissions.*

*CleanBC Better Homes is funded by the Province of British Columbia and the Government of Canada under the Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund, along with partnering local governments across the province. CleanBC Better Homes rebates are administered by BC Hydro, FortisBC and BC Housing.*

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