



Woodsmoke Reduction Program



HEAT CLEAN, SAVE GREEN!

Earn \$1,000 (up to \$5,000 in low-income communities) when you replace your woodburning stove or fireplace!

Learn how:

(805) 961-8848

email heatclean@sbcapcd.org
or visit www.OurAir.org/heatclean

Why Change Out My Wood-Burning Fireplace or Stove?

Woodsmoke contains soot, particulate matter (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀), dioxins, carbon dioxide, and volatile organic compounds. Breathing wood smoke can reduce lung function, aggravate heart and lung diseases, and trigger asthma. Woodsmoke from fireplaces and stoves accounts for about a third of wintertime PM_{2.5} in our county. Help reduce particulate matter in our county and negative neighborhood impacts by replacing your wood-burning stove or fireplace.

Incentive Funding

This voluntary program is designed to help households replace a wood-burning uncertified stove, insert, or fireplace used as a primary source of heat with a cleaner burning and more efficient device. Applicants who meet low-income eligibility requirements may qualify for an Enhanced Incentive Voucher. All other Applicants may qualify for the Standard Voucher. Voucher amounts cover eligible project costs not to exceed the amounts listed below:

Type of New Device:	Standard Voucher	Enhanced Incentive Voucher
Gas, Propane, or Electric Home Heating Device	Up to \$1,000	Up to \$5,000
EPA-Certified Wood or Pellet Home Heating Device	Up to \$500	Up to \$3,000

Eligibility

You may be eligible to receive a voucher if your household meets all of the following requirements:

1. Currently uses an operable uncertified wood-burning stove, fireplace insert, or fireplace as a primary source of heat.
2. Are willing to select one of the following replacement devices for installation: natural gas, propane, or electric home heating device, or an EPA-certified wood-burning or pellet-burning stove or insert.
3. Plan to work with a Participating Retailer to install the new device.
4. Agree to receive training on proper device operation.
5. Surrender the old wood stove or insert to the Retailer who will render it permanently inoperable and recycle it.

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I complete the project myself?

A: The project must be completed by a Participating Retailer with the Program so do-it-yourself installations are not eligible for funding.

Q: Can I apply for incentive funding retroactively?

A: Projects that have been started before a voucher is received are not eligible for funding.



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How to Participate

Confirm Eligibility

Read the Eligibility Requirements and confirm eligibility.

Complete Voucher Application

Complete the Voucher Application including photographs of the current heater, proof of low-income (if applicable), and the Owner/Tenant Agreement (if applicable).

Send Application to the District

Send completed forms to the District by email at heatclean@sbcapcd.org, or mail or drop off in person to: Woodsmoke Reduction Program, Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District, 260 N. San Antonio Road #A, Santa Barbara, CA 93110.

Receive Voucher and Contact Participating Retailer

We will review your application. If accepted, you will receive the Voucher to be used with a Participating Retailer within four (4) weeks from issuance. Do not begin work until the Voucher is received! Please find a list of Participating Retailers on our website.

Complete Project

Vouchers will be accepted by Participating Retailers at the time of sale and applied as a discount. A building permit or comparable permit for your jurisdiction is required for each installation. Installation must be completed within 90 days of purchase.

More Frequently Asked Questions

Q: How can I tell if my current wood stove is uncertified?

A: Your wood stove or insert model must be uncertified by the EPA to qualify for the program. Check the back of the stove for a certification label. Stoves that do not have a label permanently affixed to them stating that the stove is certified to comply with emission standards are uncertified and qualify for this program. If your stove was installed before 1988, it is uncertified. You can also check the stove model against the list of current EPA Certified Wood Stoves¹ and historical list of certified wood stoves.²

Q: How do I find out if I meet the low-income requirements for the Enhanced Incentive Voucher?

A: You qualify for an Enhanced Incentive Voucher if your household is located in a low-income area as designated on this State map.³ If you live outside of this area you may still qualify if your household income does not exceed County low-income limits based on household size, or if you participate in a federal or state low-income assistance program such as WIC, LIHEAP, or CARE.

Q: I am a renter. Can I still apply?

A: Yes, if you are a renter have your landlord sign the Owner/Tenant Agreement and Voucher Application.

¹www.epa.gov/compliance/list-epa-certified-wood-stoves

²<https://19january2017snapshot.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-11/documents/pre2015nsps-certifiedwood.pdf>

³www.arb.ca.gov/cc/capandtrade/auctionproceeds/lowincomemapfull.htm

Learn More

- For program requirements and links to application materials visit www.OurAir.org/heatclean
- For questions, call (805) 961-8848 or email heatclean@sbcapcd.org
- The Woodsmoke Reduction Program is part of California Climate Investments, a statewide program that puts cap-and-trade dollars to work.