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Program Year Six Kicks Off Program Update

Builders of new residential construction are eligible to receive \$350 per home plus 10¢ per kilowatt-hour (kWh) saved for homes that perform 30 percent better than the 2009 International Energy Conservation Code®.

As of February 1, 2015, ENERGY STAR® certification is encouraged but no longer a prerequisite for participation. Builders whose homes are ENERGY STAR certified and achieve 15 percent savings over code are still eligible for \$400 per home plus 10¢ per kWh saved. As always, the more efficient the home, the higher the rebate.

Financial incentives are offered on a limited basis while funding lasts. Program year six, which runs through May 31, 2016, is the final year of Phase II of the New Homes Program. **Use of the reservation system is strongly encouraged.**

Builders who have yet to submit an application are encouraged to contact a participating rater for eligibility information. [Find a rater](#)

Raters who have questions about the program revisions or rebate application process are encouraged to contact a program coordinator. [Contact us](#)

New Homes Program Coming to an HBA Near You

Over the past few months, New Homes Program Coordinator Mike Arblaster has traveled the state to inform builders, raters and contractors about the program and available incentives. These trips have proven to be great opportunities to meet one-on-one with many of our program participants.

Since April, Mike has presented at the following homebuilder associations:

- Blair-Bedford Builders Association Builders Association of Fayette County
- Home Builders Association of Alleghenies Lebanon County Builders
- Association North Suburban Builders Association Somerset County Builders Association

If you would like Mike to speak to your local HBA chapter, please contact Ben Block at bblock@cleanmarketwork.com or 215-776-5405 ext. 7.

In the News

Program participant Peter Mathieu was featured in the March issue of the Mercer-Lawrence Business Chronicle.

The article features Mathieu as the first builder to build an ENERGY STAR v3.0 home located in Slippery Rock Township, Lawrence County. The article also highlights the work of program participant Comfy Homes of Emsworth, Pa., the rater on the project.

[Read the full article](#)

New Participants

Please join us in welcoming the following builders and raters to the program:

Builders

[Fayette County Community Action Partnership](#) of Uniontown, Pa.

[Michael Davic Construction](#) of Bethel Park, Pa.

Sheldon Eby of Greencastle, Pa.

[Spectrum Homes](#) of Whitehall, Pa.

Thomas Muscatello of Wexford, Pa.

[Timbercrest Builders](#) of Greentown, Pa.

Raters

[CLEAResult](#) of Lancaster, Pa.

Training Resources

The New Homes Program website now features even more resources to help our participants meet program requirements.

[Visit the Resource Library](#) for access to webinars, marketing materials and much more. Training videos address topics such as proper duct installation and testing, installing mechanical ventilation, and instructions for raters submitting a REM/rate file to Compass.



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