

Energy Efficiency Overview

Helping all customers save money and natural gas

The Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program is one of the largest natural gas savings programs in the country. From providing free products and assessments to rebates and tips, we work with our customers to help them find the best ways to save for their homes and businesses.

Here is a brief snapshot of our program successes since 2011:





provided in rebates and incentives



participants across 643 communities



emissions avoided



Residential

Single-family homes and two-unit properties can take advantage of our residential offerings.

Free home assessment: An energy advisor will either conduct a virtual or in-person home assessment to educate our customers about money and energy-saving opportunities at home. In addition to installing free energy-saving products like thermostats, showerheads and faucet aerators, customers also receive a tailored report with additional tips and savings recommendations.

Free energy-saving kits: All residential customers can order a water-saving kit (showerheads, faucet aerators and more) and up to two weatherization kits (gasket covers, door sweeps and weatherstripping). These kits are designed to be self installed for customer convenience.

Rebates for qualifying equipment and improvements: Customers can get money back for eligible equipment upgrades and home improvements including smart thermostats, furnaces, boilers and more. On-bill financing is also available.

Free home improvements: In addition to free assessments and energy-saving kits, customers may qualify for additional free efficiency improvements if they meet income guidelines. This may include furnace repairs/replacements, air sealing and insulation, and healthy home services.

For more information, visit nicorgas.com/waystosave.



Commercial

Small businesses, commercial, industrial, public sector and multi-family properties can participate in our commercial offerings.

Free assessments: We have free assessments to meet all property sizes. All include installation of free energy-saving products and a tailored report of efficiency recommendations.

Rebates for six equipment types: Customers may qualify for space and water heating, boiler tune-ups, steam traps, commercial food service, agriculture and other efficiency improvements. On-bill financing is also available for multi-family properties and small businesses.

Custom incentives: Energy efficiency improvements that save energy but do not qualify for a rebate may be eligible for a custom incentive. Building automation systems, burner replacements and heat recovery are a few examples.

For more information, visit nicorgas.com/bizsavings.



Energy Efficiency Program Highlights

Over the last 11 years, the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program has celebrated:

- More than 20 state, regional and national award recognitions
- Diverse partnerships with contractors, community organizations and offerings designed to better serve more customers
- Collaborations with other state utilities to jointly deliver gas and electric offerings
- Recognition as the first program to develop a true emerging technology initiative in Illinois
- Serving as a trailblazer in new market transformation for North American natural gas energy efficiency programs



EE in the Community



Community Connection Center (C3)

Nicor Gas launched C3 to help guide customers through free energy efficiency, energy assistance and basic needs support options. Customers can either set time to talk with the team on a call to discuss their needs or take advantage of the self-serve Community Assistance Navigator. Learn more at nicorgas.com/ccc.



Market Development Initiative (MDI)

MDI is a new initiative developed by the Energy Efficiency Program to support diverse businesses in income-eligible communities and generate job creation within the energy industry. This includes offering training opportunities, providing certification guidance and building partnerships with area leaders.



Outreach Events

Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program team members participate in more than 100 events per year. These events, held across service teritory, support homeowners, veterans, seniors, businesses, trade allies, and more. From educating customers about ways to save to helping them find the best options, our team is able to provide solutions for energy-saving success.