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Get to Know the HomeWarming Program

What to Expect After You've Applied



Application Review

After you have applied, submitting all required documentation, a member of the HomeWarming team will review your application and contact you to let you know the status of your enrollment.

The approximate waiting period to hear about your status is 4 to 6 weeks.



Book Initial Visit

After you are approved, a Delivery Agent for the program will contact you to schedule a time for your initial HomeWarming visit.

The approximate waiting period to receive your initial visit is 4-6 months.

While you wait you may be contacted to participate in Efficiency Nova Scotia's Efficient Product Installation program where you could receive energy efficient products installed in your home for free like LED light bulbs, faucet aerators or a wrap for your hot water tank – all at no cost to you.



Home Energy Assessment

During the initial home visit the Delivery Agent will perform an energy assessment on your home. This identifies the key areas where energy efficient upgrades can help based on the needs of your home.



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HomeWarming helps income-qualified homeowners throughout Nova Scotia make their home more comfortable through no-cost energy efficient upgrades.

Learn more and apply at HomeWarming.ca or call toll-free 1-877-434-2136.



Upgrade Recommendations

The Delivery Agent will provide the HomeWarming team with a recommendation report indicating the best combination of energy-saving upgrades for your home. Since every house is unique, this combination may look different from one house to another.

Free upgrades could include:

Heating system: A single-zone mini-split may be used to offset other heating sources, such as oil. For participants who qualify for the Oil to Heat Pump Affordability Program, a whole-home heating system may be used to remove the need to heat your home with fossil fuels.

Draft-proofing: Caulking or other materials may be used to seal cracks on the surface of walls, ceilings, floors or around windows and doors. This prevents your home from losing warm air in the winter and cold air in the summer.

Insulation: This material reduces heat loss or gains by providing a barrier between the inside of your home and the different temperatures outside. If your home qualifies, insulation may be installed in your attic, main walls and/or basement.

Dehumidifier: This electrical device extracts water from the air to reduce and maintain humidity levels, which can prevent mildew and mould in homes that have damp basements.

Carbon monoxide detector: These sound an alarm when they sense a certain amount of carbon monoxide over time. If you have several combustion appliances or your home is at risk for high levels of carbon monoxide, a carbon monoxide detector may be provided.



Installation Appointment

Once your recommended upgrades are approved, the Delivery Agent will call to go over your upgrades and schedule your installation appointment. More than 1 appointment may be required. They will come to your home to safely complete the approved upgrades for free.



Final Home Assessment

After your upgrades are installed, the Delivery Agent will perform a final energy assessment. This will show you how the upgrades have improved your energy usage. And that's it – you can start enjoying all the benefits of a more energy efficient home.