

News Release

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Campbell River homeowners - More time to save energy and get money back

Homeowners now have until December 31, 2017 to get money back for energy efficiency upgrades thanks to the City's extended Power Down rebate program.

The number of rebates is limited and available on a first-come, first-served basis, so homeowners are encouraged to register for the program quickly.

Through Power Down 2 Campbell River, the City tops up money-back incentives for Campbell River residents participating in the BC Hydro and Fortis BC *Home Renovation Rebate Program,* and the provincial *Oil to Heat Pump* program.

Power Down 2 Campbell River offers rebates for home energy evaluations by an energy adviser, who will assess a home's efficiency and make recommendations for improvements, as well as offering incentives for energy upgrades.

The main offers for homeowners in Campbell River include:

- \$2700 oil to heat pump rebate;
- \$250 home energy evaluation subsidy;
- \$1250 bonus offer for three qualifying upgrades; and
- Thousands of dollars for other energy saving upgrades such as insulation, space and water heating systems, ventilation, draft proofing and more!

"Power Down 2 Campbell River is an opportunity for residents to increase home energy efficiency and take advantage of all the spin-off benefits such as more comfortable, healthier homes, while reducing energy and emissions and vulnerability to energy cost increases," says Stefan Tylak, the City's community energy adviser.

"This program also has local economic development benefits for the building and energy retrofit sector, including trades and retail businesses," says economic development officer Rose Klukas. "Home owners saving money on energy bills also helps to retain dollars in our community."

Power Down 2 Campbell River is designed to support the City's aim to decrease energy and emissions in the community by increasing the efficiency of homes. These are priorities of the City's Community Energy and Emissions Plan (CEEP), which has a target for two per cent of homes undergoing energy retrofits annually by 2020.

For information about the programs and incentives, visit <u>campbellriver.ca/powerdown</u> or call the Municipal Partner Offer hotline at 1-844-881-9790.

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