

Rebates available for energy-saving home improvement projects

Was your home too cold this winter? Are lack of insulation, cracks and holes in your home, and single-pane windows letting in too much cold air from outside?

If you heat with oil, wood, propane, kerosene or butane, you can take advantage of some incentives to improve your comfort, reduce heating bills, and even make your home more attractive. You'll have a cooler home in summer, too.

"If you've been meaning to put in new windows, reduce drafts or replace your oil fur-

nace, this is the time to do it," said Suzanne Dillard, manager of the State Home Oil Weatherization (SHOW) Program for the Oregon Office of Energy.

"These financial rebates are only available for a limited time, and spring is a good time to weatherize while you're making home improvements or having your windows replaced."

You can get as much as \$1,200 cash back with special SHOW rebates while funds last:

1) 25% rebate for energy-efficient replacement windows (up to \$200)

2) 25% rebate for a high-efficiency replacement oil furnace or boiler and a new above-ground oil tank, if installed with a new furnace or boiler to replace an underground tank (up to \$200 for the furnace or boiler only; up to \$600 with a new above-ground tank)

3) 100% rebate for a blower-door test performed by a contractor certified by the Oregon Office of Energy to determine energy savings and other benefits of air sealing and duct sealing (up to \$100)

4) 25% rebate for blower door-assisted air sealing and

duct sealing performed by a contractor certified by the Office of Energy (up to \$400)

5) 25% rebate for insulation and programmable thermostats (up to \$400)

Homeowners may also qualify for a 6.5-percent interest SHOW loan through participating lenders for any measure recommended in SHOW's free home energy audit.

The SHOW Program serves households that heat with oil, wood, propane, kerosene or butane. For more information, call toll-free: 1-800-452-8660.

If you heat with electricity or

natural gas, call your electric or natural gas utility to learn how they can help you make your home more energy efficient.

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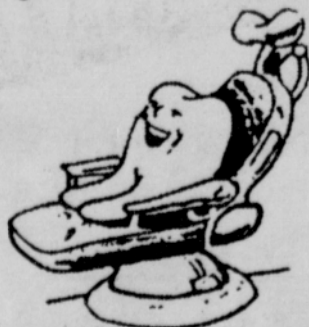
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