

WASHINGTON STATE CASH FOR APPLIANCES PROGRAM

The Washington State Department of Commerce is administering \$5.6 million in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (stimulus) funds through the **Washington State Cash for Appliances Program, Phases 1 and 2**. Rebates will be paid to Washington residential consumers who purchase eligible ENERGY STAR® appliances and recycle their resource-wasting appliance.

The goal of the program is to encourage the retirement of existing appliances with poor energy performance by offering rebates for the most energy efficient appliances available. Rebates will be issued through December 31, 2011, or until the funds are depleted, whichever occurs first.

Cowlitz PUD is not affiliated with the Washington State Cash for Appliances Program, but welcomes this opportunity to make customers aware of the state rebates that are available – in addition to the rebates offered by Cowlitz PUD on qualifying appliances and ductless heat pumps.

Detailed information available at: www.CashForAppliancesWa.com

Efficiency ratings for appliances are available at www.energystar.gov

PHASE 1 (began March 15, 2010)

The Cash for Appliances Program introduced rebates on qualifying appliances purchased on or after March 15, 2010:

- **\$75 ON ENERGY STAR® REFRIGERATORS**
(Greater than 9 cubic feet adjusted volume)
- **\$100 ON ENERGY STAR® CLOTHES WASHERS**
(Efficiency rating MEF \geq 2.46, WF \leq 4.0)
(Note: This rebate increased to \$150 under Phase 2 of the program. Details on page 2)

Eligibility requirements include:

- To receive the state rebate for a refrigerator, proof must be provided that the replaced refrigerator was recycled, or at least decommissioned in accordance with state disposal laws.
- **Note: Cowlitz PUD is now offering its customers a rebate of \$30 for curbside recycling of eligible refrigerators and freezers. Phone 360-577-7514 for details.**
- Rebates are for the replacement of existing appliances in residential occupancies in Washington.
- Rebates are limited to one refrigerator and one clothes washer per household.
- Rebates are for appliances purchased from a Washington State retailer or where proof of payment of Washington State sales tax is evident on the receipt.
- Rebates cannot be paid to commercial or institutional organizations, community action agencies, new construction, or landlords.

PHASE 2 (began June 28, 2010)

The Cash for Appliances Program added rebates for ductless heat pumps, dishwashers and heat pump water heaters – and increased the rebate amount for qualifying clothes washers – purchased on or after June 28, 2010.

- **\$750 ON ENERGY STAR[®] DUCTLESS AIR SOURCE HEAT PUMPS**
(Requires installation by a trained NW Ductless Heat Pump Project contractor)
- **\$75 ON ENERGY STAR[®] DISHWASHERS**
- **\$250 ON ENERGY STAR[®] HEAT PUMP WATER HEATERS**
(Rebates are also available for some gas-supplied water heaters.)

Continued from Phase 1:

- **\$150 ON ENERGY STAR[®] CLOTHES WASHERS**
(Under Phase 2 this rebate increased from \$100 to \$150. Consumers who already received or applied for the \$100 rebate offered under Phase 1 will automatically receive an additional \$50 check to be processed in August and September.)
- **\$75 ON ENERGY STAR[®] REFRIGERATORS**
(Greater than 9 cubic feet)

Eligibility requirements for clothes washers and refrigerators remain the same as in Phase 1.

Application instructions:

1. Download the official Cash for Appliances Washington rebate application at www.CashforAppliancesWA.com, or ask your retailer/contractor for the form.
2. Complete and sign the official rebate application. Make a copy for your records.
3. Attach a copy of an electric utility bill or State I.D. showing current address as proof of residency.
4. Attach a copy of your sales receipt for the qualifying appliance. The receipt must be dated and separately list the appliance model number. If the receipt does not include proof of payment of Washington State sales tax please include a Consumer Use Tax form or receipt from the Washington State Department of Revenue.
5. Applications for refrigerator rebates must also include proof the old appliance was properly recycled/disposed pursuant to state law. A signature from a representative of a haul-away or drop off site proving the refrigerator has been properly recycled is required. Customer must request a detailed receipt from these facilities.
6. Mail the completed application form, copy of the appliance sales receipt, and the recycler's receipt to:

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