



Program guide

2026 Distributed Products HVAC Program

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Introduction

Welcome to the Entergy Solutions Distributed Products Program. This short guide contains all the information you need to participate.

Entergy Texas, Inc. provides safe and reliable electric service to over 450,000 Texans and is required by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT) to offer a variety of residential and commercial energy efficiency programs to customers in its territory. These programs help to achieve the state's goal for energy efficiency, which in turn eases demand on the electricity grid.

The Distributed Products Program is a residential market transformation program that incentivizes HVAC distributors when their energy-efficient equipment is installed in Entergy Texas' service territory. The goal of the program is to reduce barriers to the adoption of equipment that benefits consumers by reducing energy and operational costs in existing single-family homes.

Entergy Texas has contracted with CLEARresult to implement this program. CLEARresult designs and implements a wide array of residential, commercial and industrial programs and is one of the largest implementers of energy efficiency programs in the United States.

CLEARresult and Entergy work closely to facilitate your participation in this program to help bring energy efficient HVAC systems to Texas consumers. We would love to hear from you. Your success is our success.

Thank you for participating.

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Eligible equipment and incentives

The following equipment types are eligible for incentives:

- Central A/C
- Central heat pumps
- Mini-split A/C
- Mini-split heat pump
- ENERGY STAR certified thermostat

Equipment must be installed in existing homes in replacement of a central HVAC or room A/C, newly installed capacity in an existing home or installed in a new addition/accessory dwelling. Heat pumps that replace electric resistance heating qualify for bonus incentives.

All newly installed equipment must meet or exceed these specifications:

- Central system and mini-split A/C: minimum 15.2 SEER2, < 64,999 Btuh
- Central system and mini-split heat pumps: minimum 15.2 SEER2 / 8.5 HSPF2, < 64,999 Btuh

Incentive amounts are based on the SEER2 range and tonnage of installed, qualifying AHRI-matched systems:

| | Minimum Requirements | | |
|------------------|----------------------|------|-------|
| | SEER2 | EER2 | HSPF2 |
| Heat Pumps | 15.2 | 11.7 | 8.5 |
| Air Conditioners | 15.2 | 11.7 | N/A |

| AC incentive SEER 2 | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|
| Tons | BTU | 15.2 – 15.9 | 16.0 – 16.9 | 17.0 – 17.9 | 18.0 – 20.9 | 21.0+ |
| 1 | <15,000 | \$75 | \$100 | \$125 | \$150 | \$175 |
| 1.5 | 15,000-20,999 | \$113 | \$125 | \$138 | \$250 | \$288 |
| 2 | 21,000-26,999 | \$150 | \$175 | \$200 | \$350 | \$400 |
| 2.5 | 27,000-32,999 | \$188 | \$200 | \$263 | \$450 | \$513 |
| 3 | 33,000-38,999 | \$225 | \$250 | \$325 | \$550 | \$625 |
| 3.5 | 39,000-44,999 | \$263 | \$300 | \$388 | \$650 | \$738 |
| 4 | 45,000-53,999 | \$300 | \$350 | \$450 | \$750 | \$850 |
| 4.5 | 54,000-64,999 | \$375 | \$450 | \$575 | \$950 | \$1,075 |
| HP incentive SEER 2 | | | | | | |
| Tons | BTU | 15.2 – 15.9 | 16.0 – 16.9 | 17.0 – 17.9 | 18.0 – 20.9 | 21.0+ |
| 1 | <15,000 | \$80 | \$105 | \$130 | \$155 | \$180 |
| 1.5 | 15,000-20,999 | \$118 | \$130 | \$143 | \$255 | \$293 |
| 2 | 21,000-26,999 | \$155 | \$180 | \$205 | \$355 | \$405 |
| 2.5 | 27,000-32,999 | \$193 | \$205 | \$268 | \$455 | \$518 |
| 3 | 33,000-38,999 | \$230 | \$255 | \$330 | \$555 | \$630 |
| 3.5 | 39,000-44,999 | \$268 | \$305 | \$393 | \$655 | \$743 |
| 4 | 45,000-53,999 | \$305 | \$355 | \$455 | \$755 | \$855 |
| 4.5 | 54,000-64,999 | \$380 | \$455 | \$580 | \$955 | \$1,080 |
| Heat pumps converted from electric resistance | | | | | | |
| 3x Heat pump incentive | | | | | | |
| 2025 Energy Star Connected Thermostat | | | | | | |
| \$25 per thermostat | | | | | | |

Table 1: HVAC program incentives

| Nominal Tons | Rated Capacity (btuh) |
|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1.0 | < 15,000 |
| 1.5 | 15,000-20,999 |
| 2.0 | 21,000-26,999 |
| 2.5 | 27,000-32,999 |
| 3.0 | 33,000-38,999 |
| 3.5 | 39,000-44,999 |
| 4.0 | 45,000-53,999 |
| 5.0 | 54,000-64,999 |

Table 2: Nominal tons to AHRI rated capacity

*Tonnage is determined by the AHRI rated cooling capacity in accordance with the following table.

Program requirements

To be eligible for incentives, newly installed equipment must be:

- Installed in the Entergy Texas service territory.
- Installed in an existing single-family residence or individually metered townhome.
- In replacement of a central A/C, room A/C or newly installed capacity in an existing home (new additions, garages, accessory dwellings, etc.).
- AHRI-matched and certified, including the air handler; only active AHRI certificates are eligible, which are automatically verified in the database upon entry of the AHRI number.
- Permitted, selected and installed as required by the local authority having jurisdiction.
- Properly sized to dwelling based on ASHRAE or ACCA manual J standards.

Entergy Texas service territory

HVAC systems must be installed in homes that receive electric distribution from Entergy Texas, which will be evident by the placement of a permanent electric utility revenue meter at the property address. The best way to determine an installation's eligibility is to verify that the permanent electric utility meter says Entergy or Gulf States Energy. Dealers should take and submit a picture of the meter to assist in validating eligibility.

The second-best way to determine an installation's eligibility is to use the Entergy Texas map for more detailed information: www.etrviewoutage.com/map?state=tx. Enter an address to view the map at street level to verify that the address is served by Entergy.

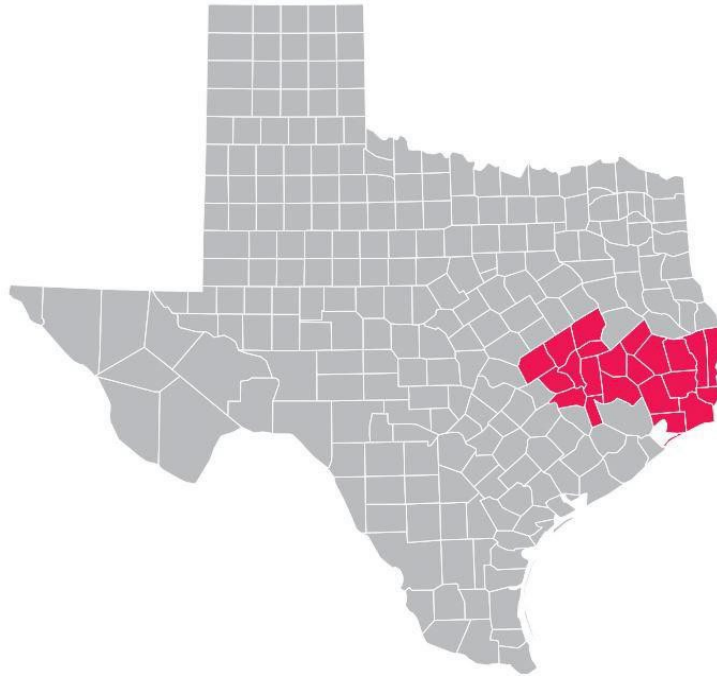


Figure 1: Entergy Texas territory

| Burleson | Harris | Limestone | Polk | Waller |
|-----------|-----------|------------|---------------|------------|
| Chambers | Houston | Madison | Robertson | Washington |
| Falls | Jasper | Milam | San Jacinto | |
| Galveston | Jefferson | Montgomery | Trinity Tyler | |
| Grimes | Leon | Newton | Walker | |
| Hardin | Liberty | Orange | | |

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 77301 | 77306 | 77365 | 77385 | 77632 | 77651 | 77665 | 77705 | 77720 |
| 77302 | 77327 | 77380 | 77514 | 77640 | 77656 | 77701 | 77706 | 77726 |
| 77303 | 77340 | 77381 | 77535 | 77641 | 77657 | 77702 | 77707 | 77868 |
| 77304 | 77356 | 77382 | 77627 | 77642 | 77659 | 77703 | 77708 | |
| 77305 | 77357 | 77384 | 77630 | 77643 | 77662 | 77704 | 77713 | |

Entergy may serve all or only part of these counties and ZIP codes.

Program database and required documentation

Distributors request incentives through the Partner Hub Portal: clearesult.com/partner-hub/entergytx

Via this database, distributors submit for each project the following information:

- Incentive application
- Proof of purchase
- Photo of the premise meter
- Certified AHRI reference number

Additional documentation is required when heat pumps replace electric resistance heating. For more information, see the “Replacing electric resistance heating” section. It is the responsibility of the participating distributor to confirm that all pertinent documentation is submitted and in reasonable condition so that CLEAResult and Entergy can verify the contents of the incentive request.

Any intentional attempt to misrepresent the equipment type being installed or replaced will result in an immediate ban from program participation.

2026 incentive application form

Dealers in the field must collect the homeowner’s signature and date to acknowledge Entergy Texas’ role in reducing the cost of energy efficiency equipment. The distributor or dealer will use the form to record basic premise information and the following project details:

- New unit installation date
- AHRI reference number
- AHRI SEER2
- AHRI EER2
- New unit capacity (Btuh)
- New unit nominal capacity (tons)
- New unit condenser manufacturer
- New unit condenser model number
- New unit coil manufacturer
- New unit coil model number
- HSPF2 (heat pump only)
- ENERGY STAR certified thermostat

Distributors and dealers must complete all the information in the Partner Hub portal. Once complete, uploads a proof of purchase and a photo of the premise meter. In the event multiple units are being installed, the premise and dealer information only needs to be completed once.

Proof of purchase

The proof of purchase can be a distributor-to-dealer or dealer-to-customer invoice. It must include model numbers of the new HVAC system cooling and heating components and model numbers of the ENERGY STAR® certified thermostat if installed.

Photo of the premise meter

Dealers in the field should take a photo of the home's meter, which is used to verify that the project is installed in Entergy's territory.

Certified AHRI reference number

The AHRI reference number on the incentive application form should be certified and active and correspond to the installed equipment listed on the proof of purchase.

Replacing electric resistance heating

When hard-wired, thermostatically controlled electric resistance heating systems (i.e., central furnaces and baseboard heating) are replaced by heat pumps, distributors must provide this additional information to receive the generous incentive:

- Photo of the heating unit nameplate.
- Photo of the cooling unit nameplate.
- Replaced heating unit manufacturer, model number, serial number and capacity.

Submit photos of nameplates even if they are illegible. The database gives users an option to proceed when heating unit data is unavailable because nameplates are weathered or damaged.

Incentive allocation milestones

Each distributor receives an annual allocation from which incentives are paid throughout the year as incentive applications are approved by Entergy. These incentives can be passed on to dealers and their customers. The allocation amount is determined by the overall program budget, distributors' historic and projected sales of efficient program-qualified equipment, and the number of participating distributors.

Distributors are required to submit qualifying claims on a timely and regular basis, which provides Entergy and CLEAResult with a clear picture of program status. These milestones are used to help gauge the pace and number of allocations:

| Performance requirements | Date |
|---|---------------------|
| First milestone: 40% of allocation to be used | Program open-July 1 |
| Final milestone: 100% of allocation to be used | July 1-December 1 |

Distributors who exceed or fall below milestone may see their allocations rebalanced to reflect the pace of activity and funding availability. Program staff will regularly evaluate progress and reallocate incentives as necessary to expend program funds and meet or exceed program goals.

All installations must be complete and uploaded in the database and all paperwork received by close of business December 1.



Quality assurance and quality control

We review each incentive request to validate equipment and program eligibility. Additional QA/QC is achieved through routine follow-up phone calls to homeowners to verify that installed products match incentive claims. The calls reinforce Entergy Texas' role, reminding customers that the contractor that installed the new system is participating in the Entergy Solutions Distributed Products Program to reduce the cost for high efficiency equipment.

These QA/QC measures and others are used by the program and state evaluators to evaluate the program. As needed, results are shared with distributors to recognize achievements and/or correctable actions. If necessary, these corrective steps are taken should participants deviate from the program requirements stated in this guide:

- **Step one:** Program management will notify distributor and discuss corrective action.
- **Step two:** Program management will notify distributor, and the incentive may be forfeited at the program's discretion.
- **Step three:** Program management will notify distributor, and the distributor may be suspended from participating for the remainder of the program year at the program's discretion.