

# **Eligible Improvements List**<sup>1</sup>

## **Home Energy Assessment**

Home Energy Assessment providers in the St. Louis County *SAVES* TM program help you identify the best opportunities for comfort and savings in your home and can also walk you through a retrofit process from beginning to end. The costs of the assessment are also eligible for a state tax deduction.

Please visit www.stlouiscountysaves.com/HomeOwners.aspx for some great information on the value of a professional home energy assessment.

	Insulation and Air/Duct Sealing
Air Sealing	Blower door test-in/test-out and combustion safety testing per BPI standards is
	required in order to properly address health and safety issues.
Attic Insulation	Upgrade to R-38 or greater
Wall Insulation	
Crawl Space Insulation	Upgrade to meet or exceed 2009 IECC & Supplements
and Vapor Barrier	
Duct Sealing	Duct pressure test-in/test-out required
Duct Replacement	Replacement to meet or exceed 2009 IECC & Supplements
Duct/Pipe Insulation	Upgrade to meet or exceed 2009 IECC & Supplements
Attic Door Insulated	Upgrade to meet or exceed 2009 IECC & Supplements
Cover	
Attic Ventilation	Gable end venting, soffit/ridge venting and whole house fan removal/remediation
Measures <sup>2</sup>	are eligible examples.
HVAC <sup>3</sup> (Hea	ting, Ventilating and Air Conditioning) - Replacement Only
Programmable	Required with every replacement HVAC project
Thermostats	
Furnaces - Gas/Propane	High Efficiency (90 AFUE minimum)
Furnaces - Oil	High Efficiency (85 AFUE minimum)
Boilers	High Efficiency (90 AFUE minimum)
Central Air Conditioners -	High Efficiency (SEER 14.5 minimum; EER 12 minimum)
Split	
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Packaged	
Air-Source Heat Pumps -	High Efficiency (SEER 15 minimum; EER 12.5 minimum; HSPF 8.5 minimum)
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Packaged	
Small Fan Motor	Type - ECM
Upgrades	
Flue Lining	The costs of installing or repairing a flue liner for HVAC replacements is allowed to
	ensure health and safety in the home.
Whole House Fan	High efficiency models which incorporate mechanically assisted insulated
	doors/dampers

Water Heating - Replacement Only		
Electric (Heat Pump)	ENERGY STAR Qualified	
Gas and Oil	ENERGY STAR Qualified	
Doors, Windows and Roofing <sup>2</sup> - Replacement Only		
Doors	ENERGY STAR Qualified for North-Central Climate Zone	
Windows	ENERGY STAR Qualified for North-Central Climate Zone (U-factor of 0.32 or less AND SHGC of 0.40 or less)	
Skylights	ENERGY STAR Qualified for North-Central Climate Zone (U-factor of 0.55 or less AND SHGC of 0.40 or less)	
Storm Windows		
Roofing	Only the cost difference/premium between standard roof and ENERGY STAR roof is eligible for financing.	

## **Solar Photovoltaic & Hot Water Systems**

Renewable solar projects are eligable and will be reviewed on a case by case basis

## **Health & Safety Improvements**

As determined and recommended by a home energy assessment (utilizing a Home Performance with ENERGY STAR contractor). Examples include toilet exhaust fans (and associated venting to exterior) and flue lining for orphaned water heaters. Funds used for such improvements are limited to the lesser of \$1,500 or 15% of total project costs.

#### **Rebates and Incentives**

There are often substantial rebates and incentives available to St. Louis County homeowners for energy efficiency retrofit projects. Customers are responsible for securing any available rebates and incentives for measures chosen for financing through the St. Louis County *SAVES* TM program. The contractor you select should help you in this process, but the ultimate responsibility is with the customer. The customer and contractor should review each project they submit to ensure available incentives are considered and obtained. Refer to respective incentive provider websites for latest details on available rebates:

Laclede Gas Company	www.originalgreenenergy.com
Ameren Missouri	www.ameren.com/sites/aue/MyHome/ResEfficiency/Pages/default.aspx
Kirkwood Electric	www.kirkwoodmo.org/content/City-Departments/2020/rebate-program.aspx
State of Missouri	www.dnr.mo.gov/energy/residential/homeenergyaudits.htm
Federal	www.energystar.gov/taxcredits
All Incentives	www.dsireusa.org

#### **Notes**

- 1. St. Louis County *SAVES* TM is willing to evaluate alternative products and systems that are not already covered within this list of eligible measures, provided they include commercially available technologies that are proven and tested to be reliable.
- 2. Properties (e.g., sites, buildings, structures, objects) of historic, archeological, or architectural significance designated by Federal, state, or local governments or property eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, may be subject to additional compliance review to ensure conformance with the National Historic Preservation Act and/or review by the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). In general, any home 45 years old or greater that is seeking exterior improvements (i.e., windows, doors, roof) will need approval by SHPO prior to beginning any work through the program.
- 3. Contractor must perform Manual J calculations to determine the appropriate size/capacity of replacement equipment.