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Residential	City of South Lake Tahoe (CSLT), CA	Green Building Program, CSLT	Contact the CSLT Dev. Services Department: 1052 Tata Lane South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150 530-542-6020, madams@cityofslt.us Green Building Certification Info: LEED: http://www.gbci.org/homepage.aspx GreenPoint Rated: http://www.builditgreen.org/greenpoint- rated Energy Star: http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm	Priority plan check (Level 1) is granted to eligible projects implementing green measures; (Level 2) projects must obtain LEED, Energy Star, or GreenPoint Rated certification to receive priority plan check; priority residential allocations; and project recognition.		Basically, Level 1 - Priority Plan check review is offered to residential projects including new contstruction, additions, and remodels when they implement cost-effective green measures identified by CSLT. Examples of these measures include: installation of Energy Star rated appliances in kitchens and installation of low flow rate sink faucets (<1.5 gallons per minute). Level 2 - Priority Plan Check, Allocation, and Recognition was set up for residential development that obtains LEED, Energy Star, or GreenPoint Rated certification. These Level 2 Projects would receive priority plan check over all other projects; would have priority on the residential allocation waiting list (10% of residential allocations would be offered to these green developments before other projects on the waiting list); and and would receive recognition at a televised City Council meeting and on the City Website. Please contact the CSLT Dev. Services Department for all inquiries regarding these incentives.	Various contact the CSLT Dev.
Non-Residential	CSLT, CA	Green Building Program, South Lake Tahoe	Contact the CSLT Dev. Services Department: http://www.cityofslt.us/Directory.aspx?did=21; 1052 Tata Lane South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150 530-542-6020, madams@cityofslt.us	Eligible commercial rojects that obtain LEED or an Energy Star Label are eligible for priority plan check; CFA allocation from the CSLT's unallocated CFA Pool, and project recognition.		Basically, commercial projects meeting eligibility requirements including LEED, Energy Star, or GreenPoint Rated certification. These projects would receive priority plan check over all other projects; would be eligible for CFA allocation from the CSLT's unallocated CFA pool; and and would receive recognition at a televised City Council meeting and on the City Website. Please contact the CSLT Dev. Services Department for all inquiries regarding these incentives.	Various contact the CSLT Dev. Services Department for all inquiries.
Residential	CSLT and El Dorado County, CA	Chimney Smoke RIP (Reduction and Incentive Program), EI Dorado County Air Quality Management District (AQMD)	https://www.edcgov.us/Government/AirQualityManagement/Gr ants_and_Incentive_Refunds.aspx?terms=wood%20stove Adam Baughman, adam.baughman@edcgov.us, (530) 621- 7501	Rebate for installation of a new qualified EPA certified heating appliance.	Available until	Rebates are offered for the removal of old wood burning device and replacement with a new EPA certified wood stove, fireplace insert, pellet stove, or new electric, natural gas or propane furnace or appliance. The home must be your primary residence in EI Dorado County (includes City of South Lake Tahoe) and it must be at least one year old (newly constructed homes are ineligible). You must FIRST obtain Pre-Approval from AQMD for project eligibility. Please contact EI Dorado AQMD for all inquiries.	Residential (primary residence, not newly constructed)
Residential	Placer County, CA	mPower Placer, located at the Placer County Tax Assessor	For more information: 530-889-4174, http://www.mpowerplacer.org/	Energy/water efficiency financing support		The program is referred to as MPOWER Placer (Money for Property Owner Water and Energy efficiency Retrofitting). MPOWER Placer finances energy efficiency improvements and energy generation systems such as solar photovoltaic to qualified, highly efficient HVAC systems, windows, etc. See http://www.mpowerplacer.org/ for more information.	
Residential	Placer County, CA	Burn Bright Burn Right Wood Stove Replacement Program	Go to www.placer.ca.gov and click on the link for "Wood Burning Appliances & Info" for updates, notifications, and information on the Air District's Burn Bright Burn Right Wood Stove Replacement Program.	Rebate for installation of a new qualified EPA certified heating appliance.	Future, expected to be launched in Fall 2014	Placer's change-out program is not scheduled to open until fall of 2014. At that time applications will become available. Stoves purchased prior to receiving a voucher are ineligible for funding.	Residential (not newly constructed)
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Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Energy Upgrade California	https://energyupgradeca.org/overview	Energy efficiency information	Current	Offers query tools for identifying resources such as green building contractors.	
Non-Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Commercial Rebate Program, Liberty Utilities	Contact info: Lori Williams at 775-336-1300 ext 107 or email lwilliams@trisage.com.	Energy efficiency appliance rebates		Commercial customers large or small are eligible for rebates for almost any lasting electric energy saving upgrade that they make to their equipment or operation. Liberty offers prescriptive (fixed per unit rebates) rebates on a variety of upgrades including some lighting types, refrigeration equipment, pool pump controls, air handling units, kitchen equipment, etc. For all other upgrades saving electric energy, Liberty offers a rebate based on the calculated energy savings between the prior equipment/lighting and the upgraded equipment/lighting. Liberty does offers some limited technical assistance upon request. This program requires the customer pre-apply and provide project details in order to reserve a rebate; completed projects are verified.	
Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Refrigerator Recycle Program, Liberty Utilities	Customers call the contractor to schedule at : 1-877-289-8260.	Energy efficiency refrigerator rebates	Current	Liberty Utilities offers a \$35 rebate to customers who will recycle a working refrigerator and remove it from the grid. Liberty's contractor will schedule a pick-up of the unit and recycle all materials at a recycle center and mail the customer a \$35 check.	

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Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Lighting Program, Liberty Utilities	Interested customers can contact the customer service number for Liberty at 1-800-782-2506 and will be referred to Lori Williams if appropriate.	Lighting installation	Current	Liberty distributes energy efficient lighting (mostly CFLs) through this program in variety of ways. Bulbs are offered to customers at events, distribution days, at the office counters and to customers identified through audits. Larger distributions are done with customers in need of upgrading; for example, if a large apartment complex still has incandescent lamps installed, Liberty Utilities will supply the complex with CFLs and then return to verify their installation. Additionally, Liberty Utilities has distributed bulbs through employers and service organizations.	
Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Energy Savings Assistance Program, Liberty Utilities	Customers call the installation contractor Project Go directly at 1-800-655-7705 to schedule a review of income and eligible home upgrades.	Installation of weatherization measures, replaces qualified refrigerators, repairs furnaces, and provides a slate of other measures free of charge to the qualified customers	Current	This is a program for Income Qualified Residential Customers and is free of charge. The incentive is the installation of weatherization measures, replacement of qualified refrigerators, repair of furnaces, along with a slate of other measures. This program is open to home owners and renters and single family homes and apartments. This program is operated under strict policies adopted by the California Public Utilities Commission that differ by climate zone for measures available. Liberty partners with Southwest Gas to deliver this program in a cost effective manner.	Residential (Low-Income)
Residential	All CA Jurisdictions	Residential Energy Efficiency Audits, Liberty Utilities	Customers may request an audit by calling the customer service number for Liberty at 1-800-782-2506 or customers can sign up at a variety of local events.	Energy efficiency audits, installation of energy efficiency improvements such as water heater wraps, weather stripping, low flow shower heads, hot water pipe insulation	Current	Liberty's auditor will schedule with the customer and visit the residence or business free of charge; the program is open to owners and renters. The auditor will review a multitude of factors including evaluating insulation, windows, weather stripping, lighting, appliances, and other uses of energy at the home or business. The auditor will discuss with the customer areas where the customer can make improvements that will save energy and ultimately save money on electric bills. The auditor will install/offer free energy saving measures including lights of various types, water heater wraps, weather stripping, low flow shower heads, hot water pipe insulation and other minor measures.	
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Public	All CA Jurisdictions	Public Schools Program, Liberty Utilities	Contact info: Lori Williams at 775-336-1300 ext 107 or email lwilliams@trisage.com.	Energy efficiency appliance rebates	Current	This program offers the same rebates as the Commercial Rebate Program; however, Liberty has a contractor focused on assisting schools with project development and technical expertise. Liberty offers prescriptive (fixed per unit rebates) rebates on a variety of upgrades including some lighting types, refrigeration equipment, pool pump controls, air handling units, kitchen equipment, etc. For all other upgrades saving electric energy, Liberty offers a rebate based on the calculated energy savings between the prior equipment/lighting and the upgraded equipment/lighting.	
Residential	Douglas County, NV	Renewable Energy Incentives, Douglas County	For more information contact Lani Collins, 775-782-6224, lcollins@co.douglas.nv.us	Permitting rebates for renewable energy systems	Current	Douglas County offers a 50% discount on all building related fees for the inclusion of renewable energy systems (such as wind, solar, geothermal, and photovoltaic systems) in development projects.	
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Residential	Douglas County, Carson City, and Washoe County, NV	Wood Stove Change- Out Program, Bureau of Air Quality Planning, Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP)	Program Administered by John Handzo of the Business Environmental Program (BEP) with any questions or concerns; (775) 834-3674, Jhandzo@unr.edu; http://www.unrbep.org/wood-stoves/	Rebate for installation of a new EPA Phase II certified wood stove, fireplace insert, or pellet stove.	Available until funding is depleted.	In partnership with the the Business Environmental Program at the University of Nevada Reno (BEP, UNR), NDEP is implementing a program that offers rebates for the replacement of a non-EPA certified wood stove with a EPA certified wood stove, or pellet stove, or gas appliance. Rebate amounts vary. Please contact BEP to find out if you are eligible prior to any removal or installation.	
Residential	Washoe County, NV	Low Income Weatherization Assistance Program, Community Services Agency, Reno, NV	http://www.csareno.org/programs/?Energy%20Efficiency%20(Weatherization) and (775) 786-6023; the main NV page: http://www.nvhousing.state.nv.us/weatherization/weatherization%20index.htm	conservation measures designed to reduce	Current	Provides income-eligible residents (below either 150% or 200% of poverty line with energy conservation measures and assistance free of charge. In Washoe County, the program is administered by Community Services Agency.	Residential (Low-Income)
Residential	All NV Jurisdictions	Green Building (LEED) Tax Abatements, Nevada Governor's Office of Energy	For more information: contact the Energy Program staff, Kevin Hill or Kevin Johnson at 775-687-1850, http://energy.nv.gov/Programs/Green_Building_(LEED)_Tax_ Abatements/	Green building tax rebates	Current	Grants partial property tax abatement from 25% to 35% for non-residential and multi-family residential new construction or existing building retrofits that are certified USGBC LEED Silver, Gold or Platinum. The level of tax abatement depends on the certification level and number of Energy Conservation points earned in certification. Retrofits can gain up to 5 years of tax abatements and new construction can gain up to 10 years of tax abatements.	Residential (Multi-family, greater than 4 housing units)
Non-Residential	All NV Jurisdictions	Green Building (LEED) Tax Abatements, Nevada Governor's Office of Energy	For more information: contact the Energy Program staff, Kevin Hill or Kevin Johnson at 775-687-1850, http://energy.nv.gov/Programs/Green_Building_(LEED)_Tax_ Abatements/	Green building tax rebates	Current	Grants partial property tax abatement from 25% to 35% for non-residential and multi-family residential new construction or existing building retrofits that are certified USGBC LEED Silver, Gold or Platinum. The level of tax abatement depends on the certification level and number of Energy Conservation points earned in certification. Retrofits can gain up to 5 years of tax abatements and new construction can gain up to 10 years of tax abatements.	
Residential	All NV Jurisdictions	Energy Fit Nevada	http://www.energyfitnevada.org/_; Northern Nevada: 775-230-7133, info@homefreenv.org	Provides resource info for homeowners, discounted energy efficiency audit, & rebate for qualified home-owners who achieve at least a 20% energy reduction.		Provides rebates, incentives and low interest financing to homeowners and contractors for energy audits and retrofits including a discounted \$199 EnergyFit Assessment. (Energy Audit). A rebate of \$2000 is offered for a 20% energy reduction or greater, which is calculated using the energy modeling software. This is an instant rebate that is listed on the signed invoice with the contractor, so you do not have to wait for reimbursement. EnergyFit Nevada's purpose was to offer homeowner's ways to reduce their energy usage and live in more comfortable homes.	
Public	All NV Jurisdictions	Public Facilities Retrofit Grant, Nevada Governor's Office of Energy	http://energy.nv.gov/Programs/Public_Facilities_Retrofit_Gran t/_ Sue Stephens, Energy Program Manager, 775-687-1850 ext. 7325 sstephens@energy.nv.gov	Grant funding for energy efficiency planning/financial assessment	Current	Free technical assistance to local governments for help with determining if Energy Saving Performance Contracting (ESPC) is a worthwhile pursuit and help with contracting.	
Residential	All of the US	Residential Energy Star Tax Credits, Federal Government	http://www.energystar.gov/index.cfm?c=tax_credits.tx_index	Federal Tax rebates for Geothermal heat pumps, small wind turbines (residential), and solar energy systems	Current, expires Dec. 31, 2016	A federal tax rebate for 30% of the cost for geothermal heat pumps, small wind turbines (residential), and solar energy systems is available for existing homes and new construction (not rentals).	Both principal residences and second homes qualify.
Non-Residential	All of the US	Commercial Energy Efficiency Incentives, Federal Government	http://energytaxincentives.org/uploaded_files/commercialflyer.pdf	Federal Tax rebates	Current, expires	Business owners are eligible for a variety of federal tax incentives for improving building energy efficiency, implementing combined heat and power (CHP) systems, purchasing hybrid gasoline-electric vehicles, and installing onsite renewable generation, fuel cells, and microturbines. Owners of CHP systems smaller than 50 MW may take advantage of a 10% investment tax credit for CHP property, applicable to only the first 15 MW of CHP property. For more information on combined heat and power, see www.aceee.org/chp.	Various see www.aceee.org/chp