

## Save money and make your home more comfortable with **Home Performance Solutions.**

Provided by Columbia Gas of Ohio, **Home Performance Solutions** helps residential gas-heating customers who use more than 1,000 Ccf annually reduce their use of natural gas. With a Home Energy Audit and **generous rebates** for installing qualified energy efficiency improvements, customers can enjoy lower monthly bills for years to come.

### What is a Home Energy Audit?

A Home Energy Audit identifies where your home is wasting money and energy. You receive detailed recommendations, estimated energy savings and rebates to have recommended qualified energy efficiency improvements installed. The cost of the Home Energy Audit is \$50 (\$20 for income-eligible customers\*).



### What happens during my Home Energy Audit?

Your Home Energy Audit will last approximately three to four hours and will be conducted by a highly trained Home Energy Auditor. Your home is analyzed from top to bottom to identify ways you can save money and make your home more comfortable, energy efficient and safe.



- **A blower door test** locates and measures air leaks.
- **A combustion efficiency analyzer**, an important health and safety device, checks gas stoves, gas furnaces and water heaters for safety and efficiency.



- **Infrared photography** or “thermal imaging” pinpoints areas of your home where inadequate insulation levels, air leaks and other problems are leading to wasted heating and cooling costs.

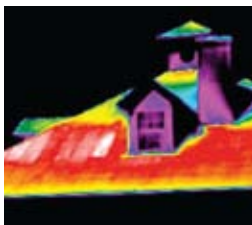


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Your Home Energy Auditor will compile the information and produce a printed **Home Energy Audit Report** for you.

Next, the energy auditor will:

- Review the report with you
- Highlight any health and safety repairs that should be made
- Discuss qualified energy efficiency improvements that can be installed
- Review rebates from Columbia Gas of Ohio as well as finance options

### What happens next?

Your Home Energy Auditor will provide you with a list of pre-qualified contractors who can install the qualified energy efficiency improvements. You then choose a pre-qualified contractor and arrange for the qualified improvements to be installed. To participate in the program, these contractors must meet special training, equipment and program guidelines.



During the Home Energy Audit, we will provide and install a high-performance, energy-efficient showerhead and a programmable thermostat where appropriate—**at no charge.**

\*Call 1-877-644-6674 for details.

## How much can I **save**?

**Standard Rebate** when one qualified energy efficiency improvement is installed:

- Wall insulation - \$0.40/square foot insulated
- Attic insulation - from \$0.30 to \$0.50/square foot insulated
- Air sealing - \$40/air sealing hour
- High efficiency heating system - \$200 for replacement natural gas furnace 92% AFUE\* or natural gas boiler 90% AFUE

**Example:**

1,000 sq. ft. of wall insulation	
Estimated installation cost**	\$1,050
Rebate @ \$0.40/sq. ft.	- \$400

**Final Cost after Rebate** **\$ 650**  
**(Approximately 40% savings!)**

**Bonus Rebate** when more than one qualified energy efficiency improvement is installed (insulation, air sealing, furnace or boiler):

- Wall insulation - additional \$0.20/square foot insulated
- Attic insulation - additional \$0.15 to \$0.30/square foot insulated
- Air sealing - additional \$10/air sealing hour
- High efficiency heating system - \$200 for replacement natural gas furnace 92% AFUE\* or natural gas boiler 90% AFUE

**Example:**

1,000 sq. ft. of wall insulation	
Estimated installation cost**	\$1,050
Rebate @ \$0.40/sq. ft. + \$0.20/sq. ft. Bonus	- \$600

Wall insulation cost after Rebate \$450

1,000 sq. ft. of attic insulation	
Estimated installation cost**	\$650
Rebate @ \$0.30/sq. ft. + \$0.15/sq. ft. Bonus***	- \$450

Attic insulation cost after Rebate \$200

**Final Cost for wall and attic insulation after Rebate + Bonus** **\$650**  
**(Approximately 60% savings!)**

**That's a total savings of \$1,050!**

**Special Rebates for income-eligible customers:**

Income-eligible customers are only responsible for the first \$250 of insulation and air sealing improvements. Call 1-877-644-6674 for details.

**Example:**

1,000 sq. ft. of wall insulation	
Estimated installation cost**	\$1,050
Air Sealing Package	\$680

**Cost to income-eligible customer** **\$250**

**That's a total savings of \$1,480!**

- High efficiency heating system - \$1,000 for replacement natural gas furnace 92% AFUE or natural gas boiler 90% AFUE

### Rebate processing

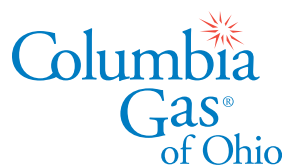
The pre-qualified contractor will provide you with a bill for the services provided and deduct the Standard Rebate from the bill. You will need to sign the contractor's application verifying that the work was completed. If multiple qualified improvements are installed, the Bonus Rebates are paid to you after the contractor submits the rebate application.

### What if I decide not to install any of the qualified energy efficiency improvements?

There is no cost to you aside from the fee for the energy audit. However, these rebates are available for a limited time and we encourage you to take action now. If your home is wasting energy, you're wasting money. Making these improvements can save you money and energy now and for years to come.

### Want more information?

**For more information on Home Performance Solutions, call 1-877-644-6674 or visit [ColumbiaGasOhio.com/HPS](http://ColumbiaGasOhio.com/HPS).**



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\* AFUE (Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency) measures the amount of heat actually delivered to your home compared to the amount of fuel that is used. For example, a furnace that has an 80% AFUE rating converts 80% of the fuel to heat while the other 20% is lost.

\*\* Installation costs vary by contractor. Estimated costs are provided as examples only.

\*\*\* Attic insulation rebates may vary depending on the depth of insulation installed. Minimum rebate level provided as example.

To find more practical ways to save at your home or business, visit [ColumbiaGasOhio.com/WarmWise](http://ColumbiaGasOhio.com/WarmWise).