

Michigan Appliance Rebate Program Summary

Program Goals: The broad goals of the program are to spur economic growth, save energy, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions by encouraging appliance replacements through consumer rebates. This program will create jobs in retailing and manufacturing. Michigan companies make many of the products included in this program. The Michigan strategy will have the following objectives:

1. Complement existing utility energy optimization programs by providing rebates for appliances not covered by utility programs.
2. Reach rural areas not served by utility natural gas programs.
3. Push the marketplace by providing rebates for appliances that exceed the ENERGY STAR standards.

Starting Date: After approval by the U.S. Dept. of Energy and program announcement by Governor Granholm.

Ending Date: When dollars run out.

Eligible Appliances:

Consortium for Energy Efficiency (CEE) Tier 3 Clothes Washers
ENERGY STAR & CEE Tier 2 Dishwashers
ENERGY STAR & CEE Tier 3 Refrigerators
ENERGY STAR Oil Furnaces
ENERGY STAR Plus Propane Furnaces (AFUE 95%)
ENERGY STAR Propane Hot Water Heaters (EF \geq .67)
ENERGY STAR Solar Hot Water Heaters

The Michigan Appliance Rebate Program will complement utility energy optimization programs and provide rebates for appliances not covered by utility programs. Utility energy optimization programs which include incentives for some appliances were authorized by Public Act 295 of 2008. Michigan utility energy optimization programs provide incentives for ENERGY STAR or better air conditioners, clothes washers, dehumidifiers, natural gas furnaces, natural gas water heaters, and geothermal and heat pump systems. Utility programs offer rebates for CEE Tier 2 clothes washers and the State of Michigan program will complement that by offering an additional \$50 rebate for a CEE Tier 3 clothes washer. Utility energy optimization programs also offer incentives to recycle refrigerators, freezers, room air conditioners, and dehumidifiers. Contact your electric or natural gas utility to determine what is available.

Eligibility Criteria:

Only Michigan residents will be eligible to participate in the appliance rebate program.

Appliances have to be replaced. Residential consumers using mail-in rebates will certify that appliances have been replaced. Because there is a much greater possibility that a refrigerator would be retained as a second refrigerator, purchasers of refrigerators will be required to provide documentation that the replaced refrigerator has been taken by a retailer, recycler, or other party.

Rebate Levels:

Products to be Rebated	Rebate Level (\$)	Targeted Quantity	Total Cost
Clothes Washers – Tier 3	\$50	25,400	\$1,270,000
Refrigerators – ENERGY STAR	\$50	28,000	\$1,400,000
Refrigerators – Tier 3	\$100	28,073	\$2,807,300
Dishwashers – ENERGY STAR	\$25	10,600	\$265,000
Dishwashers – Tier 2	\$50	10,600	\$530,000
Propane Furnaces	\$300	4,280	\$1,284,000
Propane Water Heaters	\$100	4,280	\$428,000
Oil Furnaces	\$300	770	\$231,000
Solar Water Heaters	20%, max \$1200	200	\$240,000
Total Rebates		112,203	\$8,455,300