Austin Energy's Home Energy Savings

Resource Management Commission Update

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What Is a Whole Home Program







Heating Ventilation Air Conditioning

HVAC replacement HVAC tune up

Duct system improvements

Safety

Carbon monoxide ventilation Fire alarms

Weatherization

Weatherstripping Attic insulation Solar screens





Sunrise

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National Home Performance with ENERGY STAR[®]

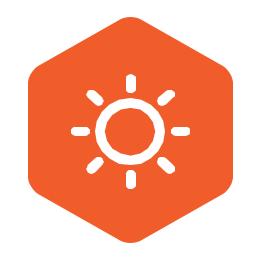
Sunset





Introduction

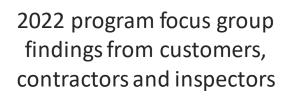
Why are we changing Austin Energy's *Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®* program?



National Program Sunset

U.S. Department of Energy sunsets the national *Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®* program







Rebranding program per sunset requirement, Austin Energy can leverage focus group learnings for a customized whole-home program that meets Austin's needs



2022 Focus Group Outcomes

Customers

- Unaware of program, rebates or energy savings
- Unclear on bid process
- Received inconsistent bids/scopes of work

Contractors

- Difficulty navigating program
- Training was inconsistent
- Rebate processing platform slow and cumbersome

Inspectors

- More oversight at installation
- More collaborative approach with contractors
- Improve rebate platform accessibility for the field



New Program Changes



New Tools to Boost Customer Interest



Improve Contractor Experience



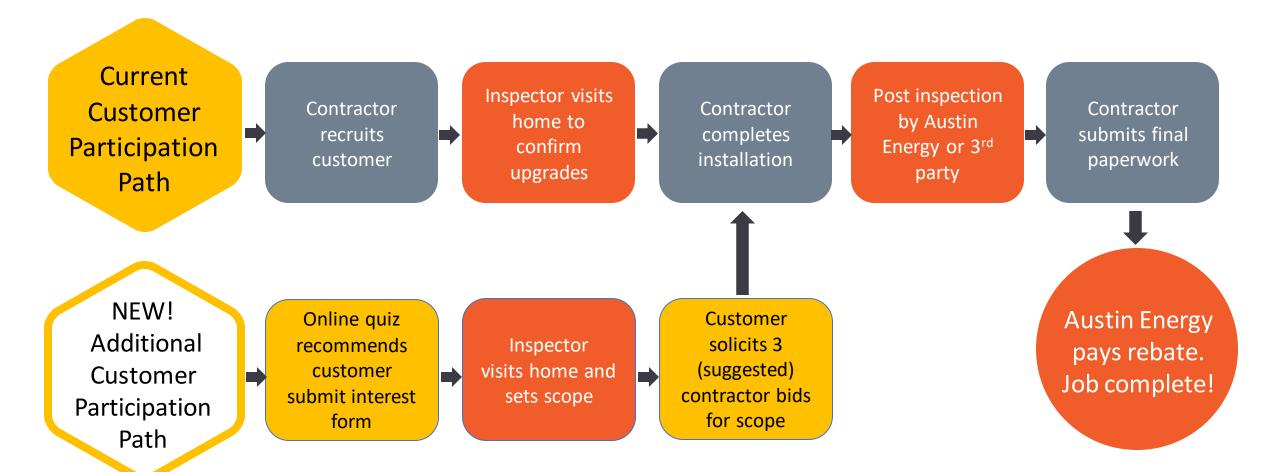
Contractor Workforce Development Opportunities



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New Program Name and Rebranding

New Customer Participation Path







Long Term Program Goals (2025-2027)

More Eligible Homes	Data-driven look at eligibility	
Equity Lens	Underserved communities and middle-income earners	
New Program Key Performance Indicators	Carbon reduction, equity and air quality	
More Training	Workforce development for contractors	



Hello to

Home Energy Savings!

A new program based on the nation's best energy efficiency practices but customized to meet Austin's needs.



Thank You

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