



**The ReBuild it Green incentive program** is a City grant opportunity for any homeowner who lost their home to the Glenview Fire. As the neighborhood begins to rebuild, there has been a growing interest in incorporating green building techniques into the new homes. Green building practices are a proven way to improve energy efficiency and the indoor air quality of a home but require substantial technical assistance. The City has partnered with Gilleran Energy Management to offer the *ReBuild it Green* incentive program to encourage green building and energy efficiency upgrades in the Crestmoor neighborhood.

The *ReBuild it Green* incentive program covers the costs of Gilleran Energy Management to review a proposed home's design and provide suggestions for improvements to insulation, windows and heating systems, as well as solar photovoltaic panels for the home's energy or hot water needs. If the homeowners choose to participate in the *ReBuild it Green* incentive program, they will be eligible for grants based on the projected energy performance of their home.

## grant qualifications

**A grant of \$25,000 is available to homeowners who elect to design their home to be a minimum 35% more efficient than the standard home built to code.** This grant is intended to cover the incremental increase in costs for upgraded insulation, windows, heating and cooling equipment, and additional coordination by the contractor and home designer. Typical improvement costs should be completely covered by the base grant. The long-term benefits include lower monthly energy bills and a healthier, greener home.

**Homeowners participating at the \$25,000 incentive level will also be eligible for additional funding for solar photovoltaic purchase and installation.** Renewable energy grants will be available up to one year after construction is complete. For homeowners interested in green building certification, additional grant monies are available.

## incentive options

**\$25,000**

35% more efficient than Energy Code

**\$45,000**

35% more efficient than Energy Code + 50% of energy usage generated with renewable energy

**\$65,000**

35% more efficient than Energy Code + 100% of energy usage generated with renewable energy

**\$10,000 bonus**

LEED Gold or higher certification

Why use the  
**35% energy efficiency**  
threshold for the  
program?

In designing the incentive program, **the 35% efficiency level was selected for several reasons.** This level qualifies a home for statewide grants and also serves as a very good minimum when adding a solar photovoltaic component to a home. Based on green building best practices, a home should be efficient before generating solar energy so the home doesn't waste the solar energy that is produced, given the relatively high investment cost of solar panels. **Higher efficiency homes require fewer panels and provide a better payback schedule.**

## verification inspections

Special inspections to verify that insulation and heating systems are installed properly will be included at no cost to the homeowner. The inspections help ensure program compliance and that the home's heating and insulation are installed to meet industry standards. **There should be little to no delay of a project based on these special inspections.**

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## how to participate (it's easy)

To participate in the program, homeowners and their contractors will sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) detailing the energy efficiency upgrade work plan and necessary inspections by Gilleran Energy Management. Fifty (50) percent of the grant monies will be provided upon execution of the agreement and 50% upon completion of the green building improvements. City staff will monitor the construction progress throughout the project. Gilleran Energy Management and City staff will always be available if questions arise.

