

Top Ten Reasons to Contact a Consultant partnering with Home Performance with ENERGY STAR®

Consultants partnering with the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program have already helped thousands of Wisconsin residents lower their energy bills while gaining more comfortable, safe, durable and energy efficient homes. Making a small investment now allows you to reap the benefits for years to come.

The top ten reasons you should contact a consultant:

- 1. Rising utility costs.** The average Wisconsin household spends approximately \$1,400+ each year on utility bills, with costs increasing yearly. A home evaluation can identify energy saving measures to help offset those skyrocketing costs.
- 2. You're contemplating remodeling your home and want to make the most of it.** A consultant partnering with the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program will review your home's structural and mechanical systems before the work begins. They will identify performance enhancements that can be added to your plans, and when the work is done they will conduct an inspection to ensure the insulation, ventilation and air sealing work is complete and effective. They will also check for potential safety hazards originating from your water heater and furnace.
- 3. You want a solutions based plan to solve performance problems with your home.** Consultants partnering with the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program understand the science behind how your house works and are connected to a statewide network of resources and professionals.
- 4. You're planning to insulate... and you want to do it right.** Insulation alone won't do the job unless you find and fix hidden air leaks first. By sealing leaks you will keep cold air from entering into your home, and allow the insulation to perform as it was designed. Consultants partnering with the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program are trained to help you identify your insulation and air sealing needs.
- 5. You want to improve your heating/cooling system and make sure it matches the needs of your home.** Installing a new heating or cooling system is the perfect time to talk to a consultant partnering with the Home Performance with ENERGY STAR Program. By assessing the heating/cooling needs of your home and utilizing participating contractors, you will get high-efficiency equipment that will allow you to increase the comfort of your home and help lower your energy bills.

6. **Cash Back Rewards.** Home Performance with ENERGY STAR can help with the cost of energy improvements by offering Cash-back Rewards. Refer to the Reward Summary for more details.
7. **You want to prioritize your home improvements.** An optional computer analysis offers information such as calculating cost savings and payback information to help prioritize energy efficiency measures.
8. **You're concerned about indoor air quality.** We provide extensive combustion safety testing to minimize exposure to harmful combustion products like carbon monoxide. We also test mechanical ventilation systems to ensure adequate fresh air and minimize moisture related problems such as window condensation, mold and peeling paint.
9. **You're thinking about replacing your windows.** Consultants partnering with the Program can assist you in determining if there is savings potential with replacement windows.
10. **You would like a consultant partnering with Home Performance with ENERGY STAR to provide third-party verification of installed measures.** Consultants partnering with the Program work with insulators and home improvement companies to ensure the insulation, air sealing and ventilation systems are complete and effective.