

## Utility Incentive Program for Housing Guidelines

1. The City of West Bend will give a 50 cent per square foot housing incentive from the electric and gas utilities. For example, if a home does not use natural gas, the homeowner and or developer will receive the incentive from the electric utility. Northwest Telephone Cooperative will match the incentive given by the City provided that the home has telephone service.
2. To receive the incentive, the home must be at least 1000 square feet and a maximum of 1500 square feet. A larger home can be built but the incentive is limited to 1500 square feet.
3. The homeowner and or developer receives the incentive when the exteriors are being built.
4. The homeowner and or developer signs an agreement stating that the incentive was applied towards the construction costs or the down payment. If the agreement was violated, the homeowner and or developer must refund the entire incentive within 10 days of receiving written notification from the city.
5. The program funds four new homes during its term.
6. Each dwelling unit must be metered separately to receive the incentive.
7. Each homeowner and or developer can receive one incentive per the program term. Multifamily dwelling units receive one incentive. The incentive will be available only once during the term of the program per property.
8. When installing new appliances, the following guidelines should be followed. Please give the city a copy of the energy guidelines from the appliances installed.

**Gas Furnaces:** AFUE 78%

<b>Water Heaters</b>	Gas	Electric	<b>Room Air Conditioners</b>	
30 Gallons	EF .563	EF .9104	<6,001 Btus	EER 8.0
40 Gallons	EF .544	EF .8972	6,001-8000 Btus	EER 8.5
50 Gallons	EF .525	EF .8840	8,001 - 14,000 Btus	EER 9.0
			14,001 - 20,000 Btus	EER 8.8
			➤ 20,000 Btus	EER 8.2

**Central Air Conditioner:** SEER 10.0

9. The side walls shall have a minimum insulation value of R-19. The roof shall have a minimum insulation value of R-30.



Additional Information

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