

Home Improvement Resource Guide

Home improvements can be costly & strenuous, but many regional resources exist to help owners make needed repairs on their homes. Assessments, rebates, & home repair programs all offer support to homeowners to identify safety issues, make repairs, improve energy efficiency, & afford upgrades. This document provides an overview of various programs so you can identify which resources are most useful to you. **If you are unsure of where to start or what repairs you may need, the free Sunset Home Assessment is a great place to begin.**

Este contiene información sobre varios programas para que usted pueda identificar y seleccionar aquellos servicios que le pueden ser útiles para mejorar su hogar. Si usted necesita una traducción de todo este documento a su idioma, llame al Stephanie Snyder a 206-461-8430 x 2056 o mande un correo a stephanies@nhwa.org.

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Sunset Home Assessment

WHAT is offered?

A free in-home evaluation to identify visible evidence of selected household hazards like unsafe structures, mold, pests, & poor air quality. An individualized report is provided following the assessment with low-cost solutions to improve home safety. By applying, you may also be eligible to receive a free PSE energy assessment and/or King County lead evaluation.

MORE INFO Contact Rebuilding Together Seattle (RTS)

 info@rtseattle.org  206-682-1231  sunsetrenton.com/
free-assessment



HOW much does it cost?

FREE, regardless of income

WHO is eligible?

All owner-occupied homes (including apartments, condos, duplexes, triplexes, & four-plexes) in the Sunset area are eligible, regardless of income

HOW do I apply?

Applications can be completed by calling RTS at 206-682-1231. Or, you can return the included application in the pre-paid envelope. After submitting an application, a staff member will be in contact to schedule a date for an assessment.

Rebuilding Together Seattle

WHAT is offered?

In addition to the Sunset Home Assessment, Rebuilding Together Seattle offers free home repairs conducted by volunteers for low-income homeowners & nonprofit facilities to address repairs & improve homes. Offered repairs are based on the initial home assessment. Examples include ramps, grab bars, floor & window repairs, painting, & yard clean ups.

MORE INFO Contact Rebuilding Together Seattle (RTS)

 info@rtseattle.org  206-682-1231  rtseattle.org/homeowner



HOW much does it cost?

FREE for homeowners, if income eligible

WHO may be eligible?

Any person who is 1) the legal property owner, 2) currently living in the home & plan to stay in the home for at least 3 years, 3) low-income* & reasonably unable to complete the work on your own

HOW do I apply?

Applications can be completed by calling RTS at 206-682-1231. Or, apply online at rtseattle.org/homeowner. RTS staff will determine your eligibility & arrange a home preview.

KCHA Weatherization

WHAT is offered?

KCHA provides services to low income residents to reduce energy costs & improve indoor air quality & overall home comfort through heating & cooling efficiencies. Improvements result in a decrease to energy costs. Examples of services include weather stripping, caulking; floor, attic, & wall insulation; whole house fans & heating system efficiency repairs.

MORE INFO Contact King County Housing Authority (KCHA)

 energyconservation@kcha.org  206-214-1240  kcha.org/lux



HOW much does it cost?

FREE for homeowners, if income eligible

WHO may be eligible?

Any person who 1) lives in King County, outside the City of Seattle 2) meets the income qualifications*

HOW do I apply?

Applications for renters & homeowners can be accessed online at kcha.org/wx. Applications are processed according to KCHA's waitlist procedures.

Renton Housing Repair Program

WHAT is offered?

Renton's HRP program offers free minor repairs for health & safety based on staff determination of need & available resources. Maximum expenditures per client are \$6,000/year.

MORE INFO Contact City of Renton Human Services

 mbaldrige@rentonwa.gov  425-430-6600  rentonwa.gov/hrap



HOW much does it cost?

FREE for homeowners, if income eligible

WHO may be eligible?

Any person who 1) has owned your home for one year 2) meets the income qualification*, 3) is a homeowner within the City of Renton (owner-occupied portions of duplexes are eligible)

HOW do I apply?

Applications can be accessed & completed online at rentonwa.gov/hrap

PSE Energy Efficiency Rebates

WHAT is offered?

This program provides a partial refund on the purchase of new materials or appliances for energy efficient upgrades to your home. Examples of goods eligible for rebates include appliances, heating, insulation, lighting, natural gas conversion, smart thermostats, water heating, & windows.

MORE INFO Contact Puget Sound Energy (PSE)



HOW much does it cost?

Applicants are responsible for upfront purchase costs of goods. Rebate varies by good.

WHO may be eligible?

Eligibility varies by rebate. Please reference pse.com/rebates for detailed eligibility information. For most rebates, you must be a current PSE residential customer in an existing property.

HOW do I apply?

Applications are available for the various rebate online at pse.com/rebates. Please have your PSE account information ready, along with receipt of purchase for qualifying goods.

PSE Home Energy Assessment

WHAT is offered?

This program offers an energy efficiency survey conducted by a certified member of the Energy Assessment Team, which evaluates how your home uses energy & provides a summary of recommended upgrades, helpful tips, & contractor referrals. Free energy efficient fixtures—including on-the-spot installations of up to 20 LED bulbs—are also offered.

MORE INFO Contact Puget Sound Energy (PSE)



HOW much does it cost?

FREE, if PSE customer

WHO may be eligible?

Any person who 1) is a current PSE customer, 2) lives in an existing property four units or less, 3) has not previously received PSE assessment services on your home

HOW do I apply?

No application is needed. Assessments can be scheduled online at pse.com/energyassessment or by calling an Energy Advisor at 1-800-973-1575.

Deferred Payment Loan Program

WHAT is offered?

King County provides a loan program to help finance the cost of major repairs. Zero interest financing is offered for the cost of eligible & necessary repairs up to the maximum loan amount of \$25,000. These loans are at 0% interest, have no monthly payments, & are repaid at the time the home is sold, transferred, or refinanced.

MORE INFO Contact King County



King County

HOW much does it cost?

The amount of the loan. The full loan amount must be repaid at the time of sale or refinancing.

WHO may be eligible?

Any person who 1) lives in King County, outside the City of Seattle 2) meets the income qualifications*

HOW do I apply?

Applications are not available online and must be completed by phone. To apply, call 206-263-9095.

*INCOME QUALIFICATIONS

Rebuilding Together Seattle Non-Veterans Applicants

Household Size	Max Annual Income
1 Person	\$37,450
2 People	\$42,800
3 People	\$48,150
4 People	\$53,500
5 People	\$57,800
6 People	\$62,100

Renton Housing Repair Program & RTS Veteran Applicants

Household Size	Max Annual Income
1 Person	\$56,200
2 People	\$64,200
3 People	\$72,250
4 People	\$80,250
5 People	\$86,700
6 People	\$93,100

KCHA Weatherization

Household Size	Max Annual Income
1 Person	\$27,472
2 People	\$35,924
3 People	\$44,377
4 People	\$52,830
5 People	\$61,283
6 People	\$69,736

King County Loan Program

Household Size	Max Annual Income
1 Person	\$56,200
2 People	\$64,200
3 People	\$72,250
4 People	\$80,250
5 People	\$86,700
6 People	\$93,100