



Tuesday, June 30, 2026

We wanted to share the information below because it may be pertinent to your members and their clients. Thanks for what you do for our associations. Please do not hesitate to reach out if there is anything you need.

Texas REALTORS® Government Affairs Team

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New Home Energy Efficiency Rebate Programs: HOMES and HEAR Information

This summer, we had Dr. Cook come and speak to the Texas REALTORS® Public Policy data center subcommittee, so she and HARC are a known entity to us. She has shared with Julia Parenteau, Director of Public Policy, the following information about upcoming meetings and since some of these are in your areas, we wanted to share this with you so you could share with your members. Please reach out to policy@texasrealtors.com with any questions about these programs.

From Dr. Cook:

Dear Julia,

Texas is gearing up to launch [two new home energy efficiency rebate programs: HOMES and HEAR](#). These programs will provide rebates for eligible households—up to **\$8,000 for HOMES** and up to **\$14,000 for**

HEAR—to make energy efficiency improvements and reduce energy costs. SECO (the State Energy Conservation Office) recently hired APTIM Federal Services, LLC to design and implement the programs.

As a representative of the Texas REALTORS®, I thought you may be particularly interested in how this program could benefit the buyers and sellers you work with across Texas. I am asking that you please share this information with the community members you work with and with your partners across your network. We want to ensure every Texan who wants to provide input has the opportunity to do so.

Your Feedback Requested

The programs are in the design phase and looking for feedback from interested families, organizations, and individuals on how the programs will operate and which home upgrades will qualify for rebates.

There will be 11 free in-person feedback events across the state. The events will cover:

- An explanation of the HOMES and HEAR programs
- Program benefits
- Anticipated launch timeline and process
- An opportunity to provide input
- Next steps and where to find updates

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sign up to attend an in-person event. Advance registration is encouraged but not required.

- Austin Monday, June 29, 6-8 p.m. CT – Austin Energy Assembly Room
tinyurl.com/8c5fthw8
- San Antonio Tuesday, June 30, 6-8 p.m. CT – Alamo Area Council of Governments
tinyurl.com/2bfjk32v
- McAllen Wednesday, July 1, 6-8 p.m. CT – McAllen Public Library
tinyurl.com/yjh9cjjk
- El Paso Monday, July 6, 6-8 p.m. CT - El Paso Community College
tinyurl.com/nhax3mzf

- Odessa Tuesday, July 7, 6-8 p.m. CT - Odessa Public Library
tinyurl.com/4n8v9sre
- Abilene Wednesday, July 8, 6-8 p.m. CT – Rose Activity Building
tinyurl.com/bdptv2hf
- Amarillo Thursday, July 9, 5-7 p.m. CT – Amarillo Public Library
tinyurl.com/5dn9776y
- Houston Monday, July 13, 6:30-8:30 p.m. CT – SHAPE Community Center
tinyurl.com/3c3xb5ym
- Beaumont Tuesday, July 14, 5-7 p.m. CT - Elmo Willard Public Library
tinyurl.com/mww9uv9n
- Tyler Wednesday, July 15, 5-6:30 p.m. CT - Tyler Public Library
tinyurl.com/stpf7zjh
- Dallas Thursday, July 16, 5:30–7:30 p.m. CT - J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
tinyurl.com/25cmd3b9

Can't Attend in Person? Texans that can't attend in person can also attend a virtual event on **[Tuesday July 21](#)** or make comments to the state directly:

<https://form.typeform.com/to/zCeihd2A?typeform-source=comptroller.texas.gov>

Stay in the know

If you'd like to be informed of the latest updates, you can sign up [to receive SECO news and announcements.](#)

Share your technical expertise

Visit our [Opportunities for Feedback](#) page to submit comments or sign up to participate in upcoming technical input sessions.

Thank you,
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