# NEW MEXICO HIGH PERFORMANCE NEW HOMES PROGRAM

## **Buy an Energy-Efficient Home and Save**

A home is one of the biggest purchases you'll ever make. Make the most of your investment with an energy-efficient home from a PNM/NMGC High Performance New Homes Program participating homebuilder. You'll enjoy peace of mind knowing your new home meets high energy efficiency standards, provides improved comfort, and helps save you money. You'll also help ensure a better resale value.

## **The High Standards of HERS-Rated Homes**

When you're buying a new home, it's important to consider the benefits of investing in a home that's built to the national standard Home Energy Rating System (HERS) protocol. HERS measures true energy costs — a lower score means a home uses less energy and costs less to own. You can be sure your HERS-rated home is built for quality and comfort and will be substantially more efficient than a standard home, helping you save money and energy month after month.

## **Energy-Efficient Home Benefits**

- Lower Cost: Energy-efficient homes are 10% more efficient than homes built to code and achieve a 20% improvement on annual energy savings.\*
- More Comfort: Properly installed energy efficiency improvements deliver better protection against cold, heat, drafts, moisture, pollution, and noise. You'll have more consistent temperatures, improved indoor air quality, and greater durability.

• Greater Return on Investment: Be confident in knowing your home will have highly valued features when it comes time to sell.

\*ENERGY STAR energystar.gov/newhomes









### **Energy-Efficient Home Features**

- Effective Insulation: Properly installed insulation in walls and attics ensures even temperatures throughout the home while using less energy.
- High-Performance Windows: Windows with advanced coatings and construction help keep cool air in during the summer and out during the winter, and they reduce ultraviolet sunlight indoors.
- Tight Construction and Ducts: A tightly sealed home improves comfort and indoor air quality while lowering utility and maintenance costs.
- More Efficient Heating and Cooling Equipment: Energy-efficient, properly installed heating and cooling systems help lower utility costs.
- ENERGY STAR<sup>®</sup> Labeled Products: ENERGY STAR labeled products meet strict standards for quality and durability, and they are more energy efficient, saving you money on utilities.
- Energy-Efficient Water Heating Systems: Efficient water heating systems save water while providing equivalent or improved supply capacity, which may also keep you from running out of hot water.
- Energy-Efficient Lighting Systems: High-efficiency lights use less energy and significantly reduce the heat added to living spaces, saving even more energy by reducing air conditioning demands.
- Independent HERS Testing: Enjoy peace of mind knowing your new home has been independently certified, verifying its energy performance.

### Great Incentives for Using a Smart Thermostat

Are you interested in smart thermostat technology? Smart thermostats help automate your home's energy use around your schedule, preferences, and even the weather.

NMGC customers can purchase a participating ENERGY STAR smart thermostat and earn a **\$50** rebate. Meanwhile, PNM customers with their own qualifying Honeywell Home or Google Nest Wi-Fi-enabled smart thermostat can enroll in PNM's Power Saver program and receive **\$100** for enrolling, plus **\$25** every year they participate.

Learn more at nmgcgetrebates.com/smart-thermostat or pnmpowersaver.com.



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