Energy upgrade makes cold, drafty rooms a thing of the past

“Before, even when our living room was warm, our kitchen was cold. Nose-dripping cold. Now we’re really comfortable.”

Jane & Stuart F, Warren

You may qualify for an Efficiency Maine PACE loan to make your home more energy efficient. Loans of $6,500-$15,000 per building are available in select towns. Terms are 4.99% for 15 years, and the loan is transferable to future owners.

Now is the time to address everything from ice dams to cold, drafty rooms, frozen pipes and high heating bills – or to upgrade your old heating system. Other state and federal incentives may also apply.

Get started at efficiencymaine.com or call 866-376-2463.

Jane and Stuart’s 19th century cape in Warren, Maine, was beautifully restored, but it was very hard to heat. Despite burning seven cords of wood and 350 gallons of oil every winter, they still wore coats and hats inside just to stay comfortable. Prompted by energy incentives from Efficiency Maine and federal tax credits, they weatherized their home and are now saving 50% on their heating bills.

Challenges
• Cold, drafty rooms
• High heating bills
• Wet, moldy basement
• Constant demands of heating with wood

Improvements
• Insulation in walls and roof
• Attic air leaks sealed
• Moisture barrier and insulation in basement
• Heating system ducts sealed and insulated

Benefits
• Home is now warm, no need for hats and coats indoors
• Improved air quality and comfort year-round
• Reduced risk of rot in basement
• Less wood to lug

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