

# Residential Registered Vendor Monthly Report February 12, 2020



## Program Updates

- 1. New Requirement for Protecting Heat Pump Outdoor Unit and Line Set Effective April 1** – In response to Field Inspector input, we're adding the following requirement to the [Residential Heat Pump Installation Requirements Checklist](#) effective April 1: "Outdoor unit and line set protected from falling snow if below metal roof."
- 2. Changes Coming to Attic and Basement Insulation Requirements** – Effective April 1, we'll be requiring the following for Attic and Basement Insulation rebate eligibility:
  - a. Attic:** "All exhaust fans must be ducted outside the home."
  - b. Basement:** "Foundation walls from 2 feet below grade to underside of first floor (including sill and band joist) with minimum 2" rigid or spray foam."
- 3. " Dwelling " Defined to Clarify Rebate Lifetime Limits** – Many Efficiency Maine rebates have lifetime limits on the number of rebates per dwelling. To increase clarity, we now include a definition of a dwelling as "a residential unit with a dedicated kitchen, sleeping area, and bathroom."
- 4. Consent for Inspection Added to Home Energy Savings Program Rebate Claim Forms** – We have revised the consent language on all Home Energy Savings Program claim forms to include consent to allow Efficiency Maine to verify installation and perform an inspection. Additionally, we have added a check box to the forms for homeowners to indicate "Yes, I'm interested in a free, independent inspection by Efficiency Maine."
- 5. Some Mainers Eligible for Higher Rebates for Heat Pumps and Air Sealing** – Mainers are eligible for a \$1,500 heat pump rebate and/or a \$600 air sealing with assessment project if the value of the home they own is within these county maximums:

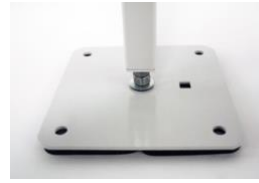
County	Combined Building and Land Assessed Value
Aroostook, Somerset, Washington, Piscataquis	\$80,000
Franklin, Oxford, Penobscot	\$90,000
Androscoggin, Kennebec, Waldo, Sagadahoc, Knox, Hancock, Lincoln, York, Cumberland	\$100,000

Call (866) 376-2463 for reservation information.

## Tips

- 1) Fact of the Month** – More than 45,000 heat pumps have been installed in homes and businesses across Maine over the past five years.
- 2) Sales Tool of the Month** – Efficiency Maine's [Weatherization Myths and Facts](#) information sheet dispels ten common misperceptions related to weatherization.

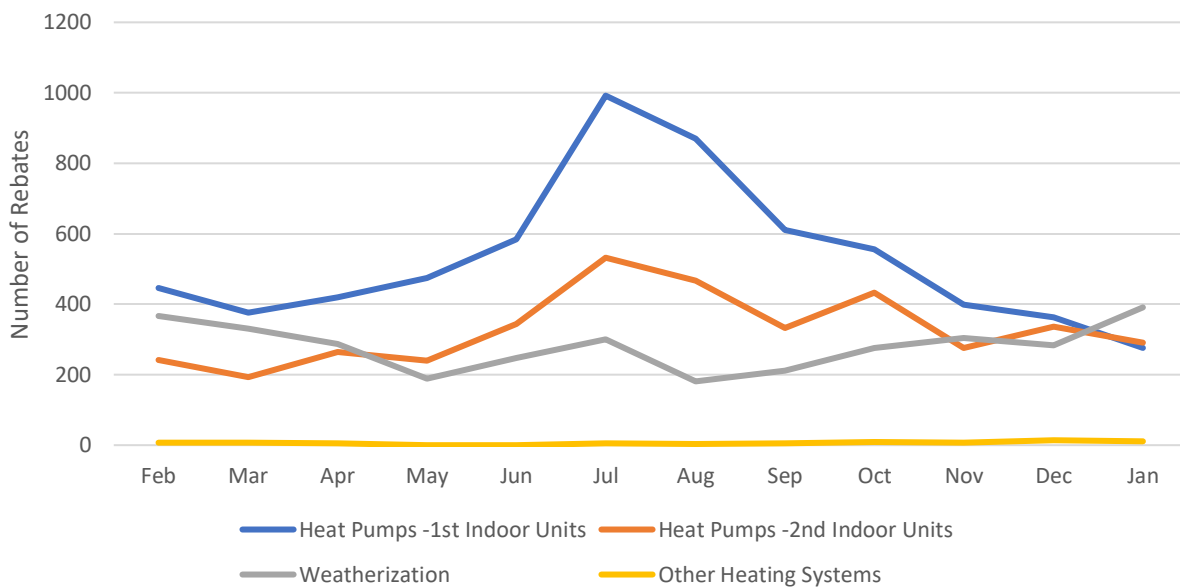
3) **Tip From the Field** – Heat pump ground stands with adjustable-height legs allow for leveling as the ground settles and heaves over time (see image to right).



4) **Rebate Processing Tip** – As of January 1, 2020 we have retired the five-page "Universal" HESP Rebate Claim Form. We now have simplified individual claim forms for [Weatherization](#), [Heat Pumps](#), [Biomass Heating Systems](#), [Natural Gas Water Heaters](#), and [Geothermal Heat Pumps](#). All forms are available on our [Residential Forms](#) web page.

### Home Energy Savings Program (HESP)

**HESP Number of Rebates - Last 12 Months**

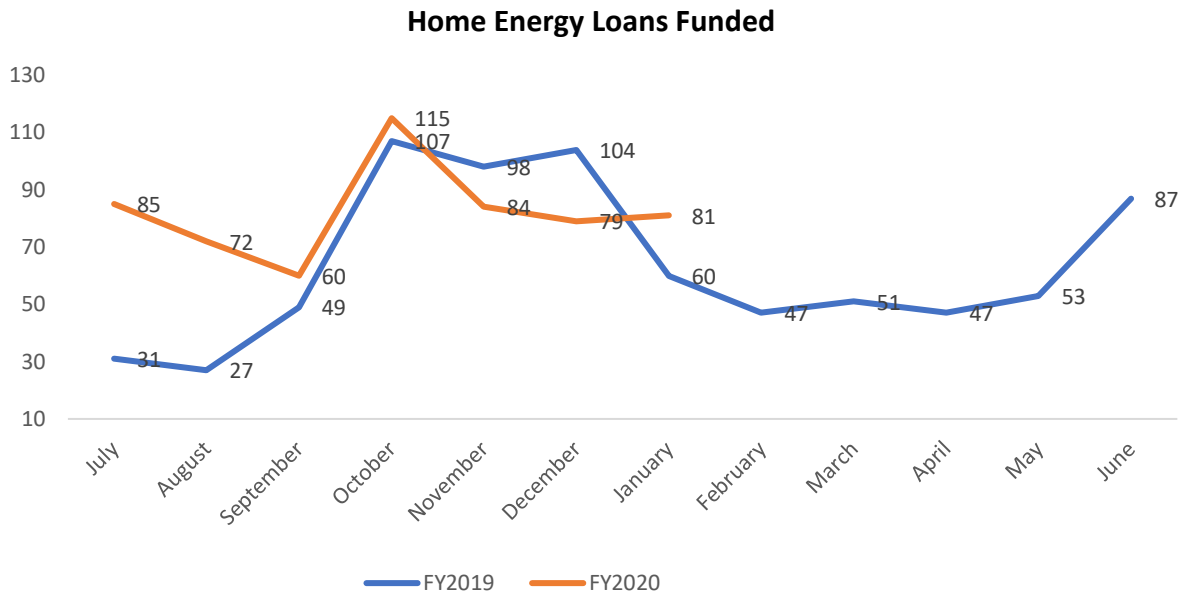


### **Fiscal Year-to-Date Rebate Comparison**

(July 1 – January 31)

#	HESP Rebate Type	FYTD 15	FYTD 16	FYTD 17	FYTD 18	FYTD 19	FYTD 20
1	Heat Pumps - 1st Indoor Units	4,628	3,499	3,265	3,348	4,052	4,063
2	Heat Pumps - 2nd Indoor Units	0	0	565	1,529	2,013	2,667
3	Air Sealing	1,341	1,075	791	564	779	700
4	Attic Insulation	606	644	542	387	634	589
5	Basement Insulation	494	369	302	208	473	481
6	Wall Insulation	116	141	153	103	218	176
7	Geothermal HP	57	34	50	13	14	16
8	Pellet Boiler	230	58	56	39	32	41
<b>Total Measures Installed</b>		<b>7,472</b>	<b>5,820</b>	<b>5,724</b>	<b>6,191</b>	<b>8,215</b>	<b>8,733</b>

## Home Energy Loans



## Marketing Activities

Efficiency Maine will be presenting and exhibiting at a number of public events in the coming months. We've included contact information in case you'd like to attend or exhibit too.

### **Maine PHCC Expo**

When: 3/20/2020

Where: Augusta Civic Center

Website: <https://shows.map-dynamics.com/mainephcc2020/?register>

### **Maine Home Show**

When: 3/21 & 3/22

Where: Colisee, Lewiston

Website: <https://mainehomeshow.com/exhibitor-registration/>

### **Maine Municipal Association Technology & New Energy Municipal Conference**

When: 4/28

Where: Augusta Civic Center

Website: <https://memun.org/2020-Technology-Conference/Agenda>