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TNMP High-Performance Homes Insider

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TNMP HPH Program Builders and Raters,

We are excited to announce that we have continued to build momentum in the 2024 Program Year. We are currently on track to incentivize over 400 homes in both the Houston and DFW TNMP service area.

Also, please join us in welcoming a new team member to the TNMP Energy Efficiency team, Josh Campbell. Check out the Meet the Program Team section below to learn more about Josh!

We are here to help, please reach out to the Program Implementation team if you need any assistance. We appreciate your continued support and partnership!

Best,

Stefani Case Manager, Energy Efficiency TNMP stefani.case@tnmp.com

2024 ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award

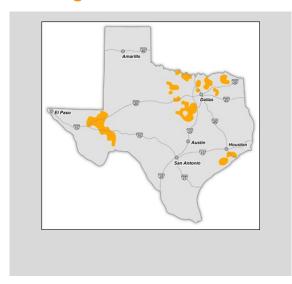


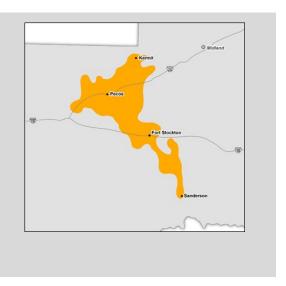
The team is extremely excited and proud to announce that Texas-New Mexico Power (TNMP) has received the **2024 ENERGY STAR Sustained Excellence Award** from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency.

"TNMP is honored to receive the prestigious Sustained Excellence award from the ENERGY STAR program for the sixth year. This recognition underscores our unwavering dedication to energy efficiency. As part of this esteemed group of winners, we remain committed to driving environmental, economic, and societal value for our communities and the nation," said Stefani Case, TNMP Energy Efficiency Manager.

Read the full press release on TNMP's website!

Building Homes in West Texas?





Calling all Homebuilders and HERS Raters!

If you are building or inspecting homes in West Texas, specifically **Kermit**, **Pecos**, **Fort Stockton and Sanderson**, there is an opportunity to participate in the TNMP HPH Program!

Please refer to the <u>TNMP Efficiency Website</u> to download a Program Guide and review requirements. Alternatively, feel free to reach out to ICF Program Staff to discuss eligibility and requirements.

Tax Credits for Builders of Energy Efficient Homes

We're excited to see more builders showing interest in ENERGY STAR certification. Not only do you get the benefits of tax credits, but it's also a great way to make your homes stand out while adding more value for

buyers.

As part of the Inflation Reduction Act, the Section 45L Tax Credit for Energy Efficient Homes has been updated and extended through 2032. The base-level tax credit is tied to meeting ENERGY STAR program requirements. Click here for additional information.



Credits are available for the following eligible homes:

- Single-family new homes: \$2,500
- Multifamily homes: \$500; or \$2,500 when wage requirements are met

Eligible contractors can submit **Form 8908** to claim a credit for each energy-efficient home that was sold or leased to another person.

2024 Program Milestones



The next milestone is approaching at the end of September; however, many **builders are already reaching their allocations!** We encourage all builders to work with their raters to get homes submitted to the Program as soon as possible as funds are running low!

Please reach out to the ICF Program Team for more information regarding allocations!

Date	Performance Milestone Date Requirements
April 30, 2024	At least 20% of total committed homes/systems must be entered on the Program's online system; Homebuilder must have selected at least one preferred HERS Rater or Contractor to the online system.
June 30, 2024	At least 60% of total committed homes/systems must be entered on the Program's online system and the required documentation for the invoiced homes must be uploaded to the online system.
September 30, 2024	At least 85% of total committed homes/systems must be invoiced on the Program's online system and the required documentation for the invoiced homes must be uploaded to the online system.
November 30, 2024	100% of total committed homes/systems must be invoiced on the Program's online system and the required documentation for the invoiced homes must be uploaded to the online system.

In the News

Texas leads with fastest-growing cities in the US

USA Today

The Texas Builder of Associations recently shared this article on Texas leading the way on fastest-growing cities in the US, driven by job opportunities, affordable housing and a favorable climate.

The Economy at a Glance - July 2024

Greater Houston Partnership

Check out this recent issue that examines the current state of Houston's economy, including trends in employment, energy, construction, foreign trade, home sales, apartment leasing and vehicle sales.

GHBA Events

Young Professionals Happy Hour

August 21

To learn more and register, go to GHBA Website.

Ladies Who Lead (PWB)

August 23

To learn more and register, go to GHBA Website.

BABA Fishing Tournament

September 20

To learn more and register, go to **GHBA Website**.

Netwroking Opportunities



BS (Building Science) + Beer

Join other building science enthusiasts at local breweries every month!

DFW Chapter - <u>DFW Instagram</u> Houston Chapter - <u>Houston Instagram</u>

Texas Energy Efficiency Learning Center

As a participating contractor, you have free access to the Energy Efficiency Learning Center (EELC).

The EELC is an online distance-learning portal where contractors can login to take trainings on Sales and Marketing, Technical



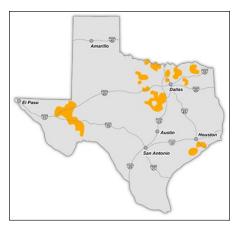
Topics, and Best Practices. Contractors are also able to view recorded webinars, demonstrations, and other program related training materials.

Many courses can also be used to meet Continuing Education Unit (CEU) requirements for common industry certifications, including NATE, RESNET, and BPI. All courses eligible for CEUs have a short exam and require and 80% or higher score to pass. Once you click on Catalog, you can filter courses under the "CEU Accredited" category.

Here are some examples of CEU accredited sales & marketing courses that could be valuable to you:

- Master Marketing
- Master Customer Service
- Customer Personality Types

Click on the link to go to the **EELC** register and take an online course today!



Find a Homebuilder

All participating builders are listed along with their websites on the TNMP Efficiency Website, including who is building ENERGY STAR Certified Homes. Please send updates to the ICF team.

Meet the Program Team



Josh Campbell

Sr. Program Manager, Energy Efficiency

Josh joined the TNMP team in April bringing over 15 years of experience as an energy manager and implementer of EE programs and services. He supports the full suite TNMP programs including residential and commercial.

When not at work you can find Josh outdoors with his kids either fishing, hunting, camping, or rooting for Houston sports teams.

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