



TOWN OF WELLESLEY MASSACHUSETTS

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Final chance to claim federal clean energy tax credits

Are you planning to:

- Install solar?
- Buy an EV?
- Replace your water heater?
- Get heat pumps?

Now is the perfect time!

The federal clean energy tax credits are largely going away due to the “One Big Beautiful Bill,” but you can still take advantage of these cost-cutting incentives for a limited time. [WIRED](#), the [NYT](#), and [NPR](#) published helpful articles on what is going away and when; here are a few key takeaways:

- **Buy or lease a qualified EV with purchase and delivery by September 30** to claim the federal tax credit (up to \$7,500 for a new vehicle and up to \$4,000 for a used vehicle) subject to battery, sourcing, price caps, and income limits. And don’t forget, there is an [additional MA rebate](#) (\$3,000-\$6,000), which is not going away. To compare models and see your cost to drive *in Wellesley*, check out [WattPlan](#). For more information about qualifying vehicles and claiming the credit, visit <https://www.irs.gov/clean-vehicle-tax-credits>.

- **Install solar by December 31 to qualify for the 30% tax credit.** Solar projects can take time to plan, finance and permit, so if solar is on your 2025 vision board, now is the time to get a contract in place. Looking for an installer? [EnergySage](#) offers valuable educational resources, calculators, and marketplaces to help you learn about and shop for solar with confidence at no cost or obligation to you. And remember, the [WMLP offers solar incentives](#) (up to \$12,000) too! For more information on the federal tax credit for solar visit <https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/residential-clean-energy-credit>.
- **Finish your home energy improvement project by December 31!** A federal tax credit of up to \$2,000 per year (total) applies to qualified heat pumps, water heaters, and more. And there's another \$1,200 available for efficiency upgrades such as insulation, air sealing, and windows. The [Wellesley Municipal Light Plant & Mass Save](#) offer additional incentives on many of these projects! Wellesley also has [Energy Coaches](#) who can help you navigate the process. [Sign up for a home energy assessment](#) today to get started! For more information on the home energy improvement federal tax credit visit: <https://www.irs.gov/credits-deductions/energy-efficient-home-improvement-credit>.

For **comprehensive information on energy efficiency** incentives available to Wellesley residents visit: <https://wellesleyma.gov/2201/Incentives>. For **assistance navigating home energy projects** visit <https://wellesleyma.gov/2086/Energy-Coaching>.

In benefitting from federal clean energy credits you also help advance progress toward Wellesley's ambitious climate goals: to reduce townwide greenhouse gas emissions by 50% below a 2007 baseline by 2030, by 75% below the baseline by 2040, and to net zero by 2050. These goals drive implementation of Wellesley's [Climate Action Plan](#), are reflected in numerous Town projects, and require the participation of our entire community. To learn more about Climate Action in Wellesley and how you can be part of it, visit <https://wellesleyma.gov/397/Climate-Action> or contact ClimateAction@wellesleyma.gov.

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