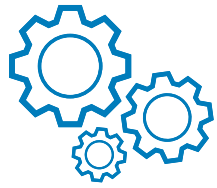


# Custom incentives



Custom incentives are available for projects that are not covered by existing rebates. Incentive amounts are based on the measured and verified therm savings from the energy efficiency project. Eligible projects typically involve improvements to existing systems or processes which result in a permanent reduction in natural gas usage in your facility.

**Pre-approval is required from the Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program before any equipment is purchased or work begins at the site.**

| Custom incentives                                      |                    |   |
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| Project savings: Multiple improvements can be combined | Incentive amount   | Incentive cap   |
| <b>Commercial (&gt;60,000 annual therms)</b>           |                    |   |
| Up to 15,000 therms saved/year                         | \$0.60/therm saved | \$350,000 and cannot exceed 35% of the total project cost |
| > 15,000 therms saved/year                             | \$0.80/therm saved |   |
| <b>Multi-family (3 units or more)</b>                  |                    |   |
| Up to 7,500 therms saved/year                          | \$0.60/therm saved |   |
| > 7,500 therms saved/year                              | \$0.80/therm saved |   |
| <b>Small business (≤60,000 annual therms)</b>          |                    |   |
| Up to 7,500 therms saved/year                          | \$0.60/therm saved |   |
| > 7,500 therms saved/year                              | \$0.80/therm saved |   |

## How to apply

- Complete and submit the pre-approval application**  
Submit a pre-approval application and all required documentation **before** starting any work on the project.
- Pre-installation inspection**  
Once the pre-approval application is submitted, our engineers will review your application and contact you to schedule a pre-inspection site visit.
- Obtain pre-approval notice**  
Once pre-approved, you will receive a pre-approval letter with the estimated therm savings and incentive amount.
- Install your project**  
Once you've received pre-approval, purchase your equipment/supplies and complete your project.
- Complete and submit the final application**  
Submit the final application and itemized invoice(s) after the project is completed.
- Post-installation inspection**  
Once project is complete, our engineers will perform final verification and measurement, which includes a site visit.
- Obtain final approval and collect your incentive**  
After the final inspection, you will be issued a final approval notice and your incentive payment will be processed and mailed.

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Custom incentives include any natural gas-saving projects that don't qualify for a prescriptive rebate, such as:

- Commercial Gas Heat Pumps
- High-efficiency burner replacements
- Burner and furnace controls
- Process heat recovery technologies, including flue stack and condensing economizers
- Regenerative thermal oxidizers
- Condensate return system improvements
- Building and process insulation
- Air side measures:
  - Make-up air units
  - Energy recovery ventilators
- Combined heat and power
- BAS/EMS installations and upgrades



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## Commercial rebates and custom incentives for your facility

2024 offerings available for:

- Businesses
- Public sector
- Multi-family (three units or more)



Commercial rebates are available to businesses, public sector customers and multi-family properties (three units or more). All rebates are subject to fund availability.

## How to apply

### 1 Verify eligibility

Rebates are available to Nicor Gas commercial customers who have natural gas distributed by Nicor Gas and have one of these rate classes:

- Private sector
- Public sector
- Multi-family properties (3 units or more)

*\*Note: Certain large industrial customers are not eligible*

### 2 Find a contractor

Use your own contractor or find a contractor at [nicorgas.com/findacontractor](http://nicorgas.com/findacontractor)

### 3 Select and install qualifying equipment

Review all eligibility requirements and terms and conditions. Collect all required information to complete your application.

### 4 Apply for your rebate

Submit within 90 days of installation/service, or by January 31, 2025, whichever comes first.

Download a paper application or apply online at [nicorgas.com/apply](http://nicorgas.com/apply)

### 4 Get your rebate

Rebates are delivered in six to eight weeks when a complete application and all required documents are received for a rebate qualifying product.

psig = Pounds per square inch gauge  
 MBTUH = 1,000 British Thermal Units per Hour  
 AFUE = Annual Fuel Utilization Efficiency  
 TE = Thermal Efficiency  
 EF = Energy Factor  
 gpm = Gallons per minute  
 HP = Horse power

| Space and water heating                     |   |                             |
|---|---|-----------------------------|
| Qualifying equipment                        |   | Rebate                      |
| <b>Condensing boiler</b>                    | AFUE ≥ 90%, input capacity up to 299 MBTUH                              | \$500                       |
|   | TE ≥ 90%, input capacity 300–499 MBTUH                                  | \$1,500                     |
|   | TE ≥ 90%, input capacity 500–999 MBTUH                                  | \$2,500                     |
|   | TE ≥ 90%, input capacity 1,000–1,700 MBTUH                              | \$3,500                     |
|   | TE ≥ 90%, input capacity 1,701–2,500 MBTUH                              | \$4,500                     |
| <b>Non-condensing boiler</b>                | AFUE ≥ 85%, input capacity up to 299 MBTUH                              | \$400                       |
|   | TE ≥ 85%, input capacity 300–499 MBTUH                                  | \$1,000                     |
|   | TE ≥ 85%, input capacity 500–999 MBTUH                                  | \$1,250                     |
|   | TE ≥ 85%, input capacity 1,000–1,700 MBTUH                              | \$1,750                     |
|   | TE ≥ 85%, input capacity 1,701–2,500 MBTUH                              | \$2,500                     |
| <b>Boiler radiator replacement</b>          | Radiator replacement on hot water or steam systems                      | \$60/radiator               |
| <b>Boiler descaling – chemical solution</b> | Chemical must be NSF/ANSI/CAN 60 compliant                              | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$1,500 |
| <b>Boiler reset controls</b>                | Automatic controls on hot water boilers, only add-on types are eligible | \$1.25/MBTUH, up to \$1,500 |
| <b>Central domestic hot water control</b>   | Installed as an add-on control to an existing domestic hot water system | \$660/control               |
| <b>Furnace</b>                              | AFUE ≥ 92%, input capacity ≤ 225 MBTUH                                  | \$300                       |
|   | AFUE ≥ 95%, input capacity ≤ 225 MBTUH                                  | \$400                       |
| <b>Infrared heater</b>                      | Any intensity—indoor use only   | \$700                       |
| <b>Condensing unit heater</b>               | TE ≥ 90%, input capacity ≤ 300 MBTUH                                    | \$325                       |
| <b>Direct fired space heater</b>            | TE ≥ 92%, input capacity < 800 MBTUH                                    | \$250                       |
|   | TE ≥ 92%, input capacity 800–1,600 MBTUH                                | \$500                       |
|   | TE ≥ 92%, input capacity > 1,600 MBTUH                                  | \$750                       |
| <b>Storage water heater</b>                 | ≤ 75 MBTUH, EF ≥ 0.67 and tank size ≤ 55 gallon                         | \$50                        |
|   | > 75 MBTUH and TE ≥ 88%, all tank sizes qualify                         | \$100                       |
| <b>Tankless water heater</b>                | ≤ 200 MBTUH, ≥ 90% TE   | \$1 per MBTUH               |
| <b>Programmable thermostat</b>              | Installed on ≤ 120 MBTUH single zoned space heating equipment           | \$25                        |
| <b>Smart thermostat</b>                     | Installed on ≤ 120 MBTUH single zoned space heating equipment           | \$25                        |

| Steam traps                              |  |            |
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| Qualifying equipment                     |  | Rebate     |
| <b>Industrial/process steam trap</b>     | Steam trap survey is required—repair or replace existing, failed open steam traps on a process steam system with operating pressure ≥ 15 psig                                | \$300/trap |
| <b>Dry cleaner steam trap</b>            | Steam trap survey is required—repair or replace existing, failed open steam traps on a steam system located in a laundromat or dry cleaner with operating pressure ≥ 15 psig | \$300/trap |
| <b>Commercial steam trap with survey</b> | Survey is required—repair or replace existing steam traps  | \$100/trap |
| <b>Commercial steam trap</b>             | Repair or replace existing steam traps   | \$25/trap  |

| Efficiency improvements                         |   |                               |
|---|---|-------------------------------|
| Qualifying equipment                            |   | Rebate                        |
| <b>Pipe insulation</b>                          | 2" insulation thickness or 6.45 R-value added to bare outdoor pipe system   | \$4/linear foot               |
|   | 1" insulation thickness or R-value ≥ 3.25 added to bare indoor steam system piping                                    | \$4/linear foot               |
|   | 1" insulation thickness or R-value ≥ 3.25 added to bare indoor hot water system piping                                | \$4/linear foot               |
|   | 1" insulation thickness or R-value ≥ 3.25 added to pipe < 1" diameter   | \$2/linear foot               |
| <b>Pool/spa cover</b>                           | Installed on indoor commercial pool/spa   | \$1.25/square foot            |
|   | Installed on outdoor commercial pool/spa  | \$0.75/square foot            |
| <b>Ozone laundry</b>                            | System must use ozone and be installed in an on-site laundry facility with a natural gas-fired boiler or water heater | \$10/pound of washer capacity |
| <b>Clothes dryer modulation controls</b>        | Must be installed on an existing 30 to 250 pound-capacity commercial gas dryer  | \$100/control                 |
| <b>Demand-controlled ventilation</b>            | Sensors must be installed as an energy conservation measure   | \$20/sensor                   |
| <b>Kitchen demand-controlled ventilation</b>    | Must be a control system that varies the exhaust rate of kitchen ventilation.   | \$500/HP                      |
| <b>Compressed air heat recovery</b>             | Must be an air-cooled air compressor that is ducted for heat recovery during the heating season                       | \$50/HP                       |
| <b>Overhead garage door spring-loaded hinge</b> | Garage is conditioned during the heating season by natural gas  | \$50/door                     |
| <b>Dock door seal</b>                           | Garage must maintain a minimum indoor temperature of 55F  | \$200/door                    |

| Boiler tune-ups                     |   |                             |
|-------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Qualifying equipment                |   | Rebate                      |
| <b>Space heating boiler tune-up</b> | Completed on space heating boiler with operating pressure ≥ 15psig—must complete boiler tune-up checklist | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$500   |
| <b>Process boiler tune-ups</b>      | 100–1500 MBTUH  | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$500   |
|                                     | 1501–1999 MBTUH   | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$750   |
|                                     | 2000–2999 MBTUH   | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$1,000 |
|                                     | ≥ 3000 MBTUH  | \$0.50/MBTUH, up to \$1,500 |

| Commercial food service equipment               |  |              |
|---|--|--------------|
| Qualifying equipment                            |  | Rebate       |
| <b>Conveyor oven</b>                            | Cooking efficiency ≥ 42% and conveyor width ≥ 25 inches  | \$1,000/deck |
| <b>ENERGY STAR certified combination oven</b>   | Must be new ENERGY STAR certified natural gas combination oven with steam oven cooking efficiency ≥ 41% and convection mode cooking efficiency ≥ 56% | \$900/deck   |
| <b>ENERGY STAR certified convection oven</b>    | Cooking efficiency ≥ 46%   | \$400        |
| <b>Rotisserie oven</b>                          | Infrared burners or approaches that combine radiative heat exchangers and convection heating are eligible  | \$500        |
| <b>Double rack oven</b>                         | Oven with baking energy efficiency ≥ 50%   | \$700/oven   |
| <b>Infrared charbroiler</b>                     | Must use infrared burners  | \$500        |
| <b>Infrared salamander broiler</b>              | Must use infrared burners  | \$500        |
| <b>Infrared upright broiler</b>                 | Must use infrared burners  | \$500        |
| <b>ENERGY STAR certified commercial steamer</b> | Cooking efficiency ≥ 38%<br>5- and 6-pan units are eligible  | \$950        |
| <b>ENERGY STAR certified fryer</b>              | Heavy load cooking efficiency ≥ 50%, width < 18 inches   | \$500/vat    |
|   | Large vat heavy load cooking efficiency ≥ 50%, width ≥ 18 inches   | \$550/vat    |
| <b>ENERGY STAR certified griddle</b>            | Heavy load cooking efficiency ≥ 38%  | \$250        |
| <b>Pasta cooker</b>                             | Must be a dedicated pasta cooker, as determined by the manufacturer  | \$200        |
| <b>Pre-rinse spray valve</b>                    | Flow rate ≤ 0.98 gpm   | \$25         |

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