



Energy  
Efficiency  
Program

# Introducing the Smart Neighborhood Builder Program



## Earn new incentives for your energy-efficient construction projects

The Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program has enhanced our former Residential New Construction offering to bring you even more incentives. Our new Smart Neighborhood Builder Program continues to offer incentives to builders who construct homes using energy-efficient practices, but it now offers more for smart energy product solutions. The offering, designed to help save money and lower the carbon footprint, includes four incentive tiers.

### Those tiers include:

#### BRONZE BUILDER

\$275 per home

#### Requirements\*

- Air sealing: 3.5 ACH50 for single-family homes and townhomes
- Duct sealing: 3 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for single-family homes and town homes
- High-efficiency, sealed combustion furnace or boiler (95 or greater AFUE)
- Natural gas water heater
- Advanced thermostat

#### Incentives

- \$275 per home\*\*
- Eligible for additional bonus incentives\*

\*\*Builders will receive \$175 if they choose not to install a natural gas water heater.

#### SILVER BUILDER

\$500 per home

#### Requirements\*

- Air sealing: 3.0 ACH50 for single-family homes, 3.5 ACH50 for townhomes
- Duct sealing: 2 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for single-family homes, 3 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for townhomes
- High-efficiency, sealed combustion furnace or boiler (97 or greater AFUE)
- Natural gas water heater (0.86 UEF or greater storage water heater or 0.95 UEF or greater tankless water heater)
- Advanced thermostat

#### Incentives

- \$500 per home
- Eligible for additional bonus incentives\*

## GOLD BUILDER

\$825 per home

### Requirements\*

- Air sealing: 3.0 ACH50 for single-family homes, 3.5 ACH50 for townhomes
- Duct sealing: 2 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for single-family homes, 3 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for townhomes
- Hybrid space heating system (8.1 or greater HSPF2 electric heat pump combined with 95% or greater AFUE furnace)
- Natural gas water heater (0.86 UEF or greater storage water heater or 0.95 UEF or greater tankless water heater)
- Advanced thermostat

### Incentives

- \$825 per home
- Eligible for additional bonus incentives\*

## CERTIFIED NICOR GAS SMART NEIGHBORHOOD BUILDER

\$825 per home

### Requirements\*

- Homes must reach net zero emissions and include the integration of back up battery systems and solar panels
- Air sealing: 3.0 ACH50 for single-family homes, 3.5 ACH50 for townhomes
- Duct sealing: 2 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for single-family homes, 3 CFM per 100 sq. ft. for townhomes
- Hybrid space heating system (8.1 or greater HSPF2 electric heat pump combined with 95% or greater AFUE furnace)
- Natural gas water heater (0.86 UEF or greater storage water heater or 0.95 UEF or greater tankless water heater)
- Advanced thermostat

### Incentives

- \$825 per home
- Use of the Nicor Gas Smart Neighborhood logo on all promotional materials
- Eligible for additional bonus incentives\*
- Eligible for Federal and State rebates

\* Additional incentives include:

- Third party verification via Builder or HERS rater: \$75 per qualified completed home
- High-performance windows (thermal transmittance rating [U-value]  $\leq 0.22$  and Solar heat gain co-efficient rating [SHGC]  $\geq 0.17$ ): \$15 per window (\$300 maximum per home)
- Watersense™ showerheads and faucets: \$25 per home
- Insulated Concrete Form walls: Custom rebate. Contact us to learn more.

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