

SOLAR CONTRACTORS & HOMEOWNERS

Solar Water Heating – An Affordable Way to Go Green!

Special rebates for income-qualified, single-family homeowners in the SDG&E service area

The **California Solar Initiative – Thermal Program** provides rebates that make solar water heating (SWH) more affordable than ever for low-income, single-family homeowners. Incentives are available to customers who currently heat their water with natural gas and meet income requirements.

Homeowners can save on natural gas costs immediately after installation, with systems lasting for 25 years or longer.



Save Money

Save up to **75%** on your home's water heating.



Conserve Energy

Sunlight is abundant, **free** and forever renewable.



Reduce Greenhouse Gases

Reduce your **carbon footprint** and be part of the solution!

Qualification Requirements

- Home must be occupied by homeowner and/or renter
- SWH system must be owned by homeowner
- Property must be either low-income housing or ESAP* participant
- Property must remain low-income for 10 years
- Property must meet certain resale restrictions
- Other conditions apply

*Energy Savings Assistance Program

Average cost of home solar water heating system

\$7,300

Max rebate for income-qualifying homeowners

\$5,397

Net system cost to homeowner (est.)

\$1,903

Plus, those who qualify can receive up to a 30% federal tax credit

Rebate amounts are based on the amount of energy a solar water heating system is expected to displace over the course of one year. Once your system has been installed and the final building permit has been signed, your contractor will apply for the rebate for you.

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