



We at the state legislature worked hard this year to protect Connecticut's energy efficiency and clean energy funds. These funds are available to Connecticut residents to help lease solar installations, promote clean energy awareness, and give businesses, developers and schools the resources to help install distributed generation systems. Our state qualified for nearly \$40 million dollars from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (i.e. the Stimulus,) which would not have been possible without protecting our state energy funds from budget cuts. This campaign was awarded the State Leadership award from the Clean Energy States Alliance.

I hope you find the information about these funds and other energy programs helpful. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions concerning these programs or any other issue.



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## REWARDING ENERGY EFFICIENT HOMES *Programs available to you*

### Did you know?

- » Reduce your electric bill by 2% by raising the temperature of your air conditioner by 2 degrees this summer
- » Microwave ovens draw less than half the power of conventional electric ovens
- » Compact fluorescent lights (CFLs) use ¼ the energy of a regular bulb
- » Wrapping your water heater in an insulating blanket can save \$2 a month
- » Doing two dryer loads in a row is the best way to use the generated heat

The Connecticut Energy Efficiency Fund (CEEF) promotes, develops and invests in clean energy sources for the benefit of rate payers. It has already generated over 3,000 jobs and is returning \$4 on every dollar invested. The fund took 203,000 tons of carbon dioxide out of our air in 2008 – the equivalent of taking 44,000 cars off the road.

### Solar Panels

You may lease solar panels for your home or business. Any household at or below 200% of area's median income is eligible to take advantage of this program – in Simsbury, that would be \$162,200 for a family of four.

[www.ctcleanenergy.com](http://www.ctcleanenergy.com) | 860.563.0015

### Energy Conservation Loan Program (ECL)

The program provides low-interest loans of up to \$25,000 for the purchase and installation of energy conservation improvements. Eligible improvements include some types of heating systems, insulation, thermostats, solar systems, roofs, windows and doors.

This program has income requirements which vary on the size of your household. For example, a family of four in Simsbury with a yearly income of \$162,200 or less would be eligible.

[www.chif.org](http://www.chif.org) | 800.992.3665 ext. 2019 or 2023

### Home Energy Audit

Connecticut's energy efficiency fund supports the Home Energy Solutions Program, a home energy testing program. A trained technician will come to your home, evaluate its energy performance and apply energy saving measures during the process. This program is open to anyone who heats their home with electricity, natural gas, oil, propane or kerosene.

Connecticut Light and Power administers the program in our town. There is a \$75 fee for all customers for a limited time.

[www.cl-p.com](http://www.cl-p.com) | 877.947.3873

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