

Central Valley Electric Cooperative, Inc.
POLICY No. 516

Smart Thermostats
ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROGRAM

I. OBJECTIVE

Smart Thermostats offer energy savings, reliable performance, convenience, and comfort. With a configurable schedule of temperature setpoints and automatic variations, they can meet a home's comfort level while helping to reduce heating and cooling consumption.

II. POLICY CONTENT

Central Valley Electric Cooperative's smart thermostat rebate provides residential members with a per-unit rebate on eligible ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostats.

III. PROVISIONS

A. Program Qualifications and Restrictions

1. The installation of smart thermostats must be installed in a permanent residence that CVE serves.
2. To qualify for a smart thermostat rebate, the home must be cooled by refrigerated air conditioning or heated with electric resistance heat or a heat pump.
3. To be eligible for a rebate, smart thermostats must meet the specifications shown on the ENERGY STAR website (<https://www.energystar.gov/productfinder/product/certified-connected-thermostats/results>).
4. CVE limits the purchase to one thermostat per CVE service address.

B. Rebate

1. ENERGY STAR smart thermostat rebates are forty percent (40%) of the thermostat cost (taxes and labor not included)

IV. RULES AND GUIDELINES

To receive rebate funds, a completed Rebate Application with appropriate signatures and additional required documents must be submitted.

- Must include a copy of a dated receipt for the ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostat.
- Must include ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostat model number.
- ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostats must be brand new.
- ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostats must be installed in accordance with all applicable local, state, and national codes and ordinances.
- ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostat must be fully installed before a rebate can be issued.
- Members must apply for rebates within 90 days of purchasing the ENERGY STAR-rated Smart Thermostat. Rebates will be issued within 30 days of the approved application.
- Rebates will be given in the form of a check or utility bill credit.
- CVE does not guarantee a specific level of energy or cost savings will result from implementing or using products funded under this program.

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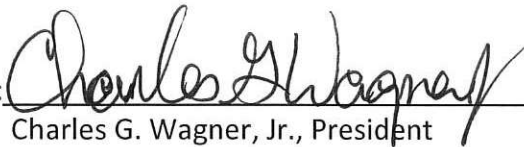
- CVE is not liable for any damages caused by the operation or malfunction of the installed equipment.
- Rebate will be issued after an on-site verification by a CVE employee of the installed equipment has been completed.
- Rebates will be capped at \$75,000.00 annually for any one member. This amount applies to the combined total of all other CVE rebate programs.
- To receive the rebate, CVE members must be current (within 60 days) in the payment of their account(s).

V. PROGRAM FUNDING

Funding for this program will be from the Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation Fund. Should the Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation Fund become deficient in funds; the Smart Thermostat Rebate Program will become inactive until such time funds are available.

VI. RESPONSIBILITY

The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is responsible for administering this policy.

Approved: 
Charles G. Wagner, Jr., President

Effective Date: 08/27/2025