

Air District Offers Funding to Replace Old Wood Burning Fireplaces and Wood Stoves

Visit the **incentives** page at **www.AirQuality.org** to find out if you qualify for a voucher from the Sacramento Metropolitan Air Quality Management District for up to \$1,500 towards the cost of replacing an old wood stove or fireplace with a new, less polluting device. This offer is only available to residents of Sacramento County including the cities of Citrus Heights, Elk Grove, Folsom, Galt, Isleton, Rancho Cordova or Sacramento.

The amount depends on what you're replacing and what new device you wish to install. There is also a Low Income Program if you meet financial requirements. The AQMD will even give you \$150 to simply have a wood or pellet device removed.

voucher Options and Funding Levels		
REPLACE UNCERTIFIED WOOD STOVE/INSERT WITH:	FUNDING LEVEL	LOW INCOME FUNDING LEVEL
Gas stove/insert	\$450	Up to \$1,500
Electric stove/insert	\$300	Up to \$1,500
Pellet stove/insert	\$250	Up to \$1,500
Wood stove/insert	\$150	Up to \$1,500
REPLACE OPEN HEARTH FIREPLACE WITH:		
Gas stove/insert	\$450	Up to \$1,500
Gas logs or electric stove/insert	\$300	Up to \$1,500
Pellet stove/insert	\$250	Up to \$1,500
REPLACE CERTIFIED WOOD OR PELLET STOVE/INSERT WITH:		
Gas stove/insert	\$350	Up to \$1,500

Vouchers will be processed in the order received.

\$300

\$150

Up to \$1,500

Electric stove/insert

REMOVAL OF WOOD OR PELLET DEVICE:

Up to \$1,500 for Low Income Residents

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL INCOME
1	\$24,057.24
2	\$31,459.56
3	\$38,861.76
4	\$46,263.96
5	\$53,666.28
6	\$61,068.48

*These income levels are based on 2016 data and are subject to change Please visit www.AirQuality.org for current information.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A LOW INCOME OR REGULAR VOUCHER

To receive the incentive you must work with a participating retailer, and the discount is given at the time of purchase so there is no extra rebate paperwork to complete.

- 1 Visit the incentives page at www.AirQuality.org for instructions on how to apply and to get your Voucher Application along with all other forms that may be required. All residence addresses will be verified. If applying for the Low Income Program, you must fill out the Income Verification Form. Property owners who rent to a low income tenant must also fill out the Rental Property Owner Form.
- **2** Complete the application, and other forms if necessary, and submit everything to the AQMD by fax, email or mail:
 - ✓ Fax (916) 874-7896
 - ✓ Email woodstove@airquality.org
 - ✓ Mail 777 12th Street, 3rd floor, Sacramento, CA 95814
- 3 Once approved by the AQMD, you will be issued a voucher. It will expire four weeks from the date it was issued.
- 4 Visit one of our participating retailers, select a new, less polluting device and make a commitment to purchase it. The retailer verifies the device qualifies for the voucher. Please visit the retailer at least one week prior to your voucher's expiration date.
- 5 After verification, the retailer will reduce your purchase price by the voucher amount and notify the AQMD of the purchase. The retailer submits all documentation to the AQMD within 30 days of installation of your new device.

Wood burning during the winter causes almost 50 percent of the air pollution in Sacramento County, as opposed to vehicle emissions that cause summer pollution. This invisible, fine particle pollution is so small that it can enter the bloodstream. Breathing wood smoke is especially harmful for children whose lungs are still developing, older adults and anyone with a heart or lung condition. It can cause poor lung function, aggravated asthma, irregular heartbeat, reduced blood clotting ability and increase the risk of heart attack and stroke.