

Home Energy Navigator Program



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Background

- Residential buildings are the second greatest source of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Courtenay
- Many rebates are available for residential energy efficiency upgrades that reduce GHGs.
- Residents report barriers to accessing rebates.
- The **Home Energy Navigator** program seeks to address barriers



Program Overview

- The **Home Energy Navigator** program provides start to finish retrofit support to residents.
- Administered by City Green, a non-profit that supports GHG emission reductions in buildings across BC.
- Addresses financial, technological and knowledge barriers
- Single point of contact with residents is established to simplify the process
- Support is tailored to the needs of each resident
- Average cost is \$425 per home
- Implemented in Capital Regional District, City of Vancouver, and Regional District of Nanaimo



Program Administration

- The City of Courtenay has been invited to join the **Home Energy Navigator** program, led by the CVRD.
- City Green Solutions (non-profit) will administer the program on behalf of local governments that offer the program to residents
- Communications campaign will inform residents of the program.
- Proposed allocation of \$50,000.
- Eligible to be covered by funds received from Local Government Climate Action Program (LGCAP).



Policy Alignment

- City of Courtenay OCP;
- CVRD Residential Emissions Reduction Plan; and
- CleanBC Roadmap to 2030



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Resolution

THAT Council support participation in the **Home Energy Navigator** program in collaboration with the Comox Valley Regional District.



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Questions?



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