



## El Paso Electric Company ENERGY STAR® New Homes Program

### Buy an Energy-Efficient Home and Save

A home is one of the biggest purchases you'll ever make. Make the most of your investment with an energy-efficient home from an El Paso Electric ENERGY STAR New Homes Program participating homebuilder. You'll enjoy peace of mind knowing your new home meets high energy efficiency standards, provides improved comfort, and helps save you money. You'll also help ensure a better resale value.

### The High Standards of Energy-Efficient Homes

Our participating homebuilders construct two categories of energy-efficient homes: high-performance homes and ENERGY STAR certified homes. Both types of homes are built to use an average of 20% less energy than standard new homes built to code. The ENERGY STAR label means that your builder designed, built, and inspected your new home to standards well above most others on the market, giving you better comfort and energy savings. From the moment you walk into your new ENERGY STAR certified home, you'll know the difference.

### Energy-Efficient Home Benefits

- **Lower Cost:** Energy-efficient homes are 10% more efficient than homes built to code and achieve a 20% improvement on annual energy savings.\*
- **More Comfort:** Properly installed energy efficiency improvements deliver better protection against cold, heat, drafts, moisture, pollution, and noise. You'll have more consistent temperatures, improved indoor air quality, and greater durability.
- **Greater Return on Investment:** Be confident in knowing your home will have highly valued features when it comes time to sell.

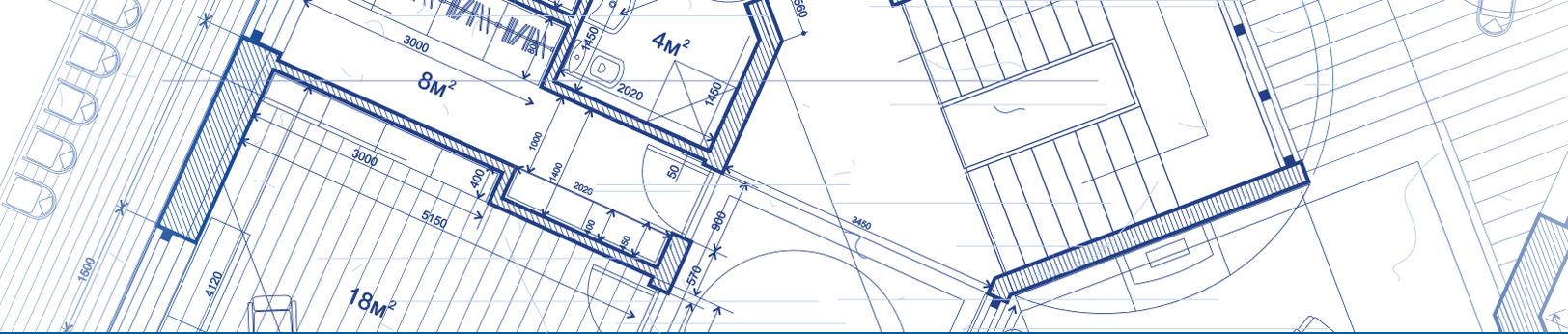


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## Energy-Efficient Home Features

- **Effective Insulation:** Properly installed insulation in walls and attics ensures even temperatures throughout the home while using less energy.
- **High-Performance Windows:** Windows with advanced coatings and construction help keep cool air in during the summer and out during the winter, and they reduce ultraviolet sunlight indoors.
- **Tight Construction and Ducts:** A tightly sealed home improves comfort and indoor air quality while lowering utility and maintenance costs.
- **More Efficient Heating and Cooling Equipment:** Energy-efficient, properly installed heating and cooling systems help lower utility costs.
- **ENERGY STAR Labeled Products:** ENERGY STAR labeled products meet strict standards for quality and durability, and they are more energy efficient, saving you money on utilities.
- **Energy-Efficient Water Heating Systems:** Efficient water heating systems save water while providing equivalent or improved supply capacity, which may also keep you from running out of hot water.
- **Energy-Efficient Lighting Systems:** High-efficiency lights use less energy and significantly reduce the heat added to living spaces, saving even more energy by reducing air conditioning demands.
- **Independent Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Testing:** Enjoy peace of mind knowing your new home has been independently certified, verifying its energy performance.