

What is Sustainable Homes?

Hawke's Bay Regional Council wants to help make more Hawke's Bay homes healthy and dry with our **Sustainable Homes programme**.

We can assist with funding and grants for up to \$20,000 for:

- Insulation and ventilation
- Double glazing
- Solar
- Water heating, storage and septic tanks
- Clean heat

We also have a **Good Wood Guide** to make sure you know you're buying dry wood which burns hot, will help your health and the environment, and save you money.



What funding can I get?

As an eligible ratepayer you can borrow up to \$20,000 from the Regional Council. This is repaid over ten years by way of a voluntary targeted rate. The rate is not a loan.

To access the funding, homeowners need a good history of paying Regional Council rates.

Applying

There's a few steps to go through to get the loan and installation:

1. Get at least two quotes from approved suppliers listed on our website before deciding on a product and supplier.
2. Complete the online Sustainable Homes application form, or print, sign, and provide to us.
3. Once your application is approved we engage your supplier to start work. After work has been done, the supplier will invoice Hawke's Bay Regional Council.
4. When we have paid the contractor, the voluntary targeted rate is loaded onto your property rates and direct debit payments start.

How much will it cost me to repay?

Funding value	Total to repay	Cost per month
\$ 1,000	\$ 1,330	\$ 11.08
\$ 2,000	\$ 2,660	\$ 22.17
\$ 5,000	\$ 6,660	\$ 55.50
\$ 10,000	\$ 13,320	\$ 111.00
\$ 20,000	\$ 26,640	\$ 222.00

Maximum combined funding available

Head to our website to use our calculator and find out how much it will cost **hbrc.govt.nz**, search **#sustainable** or contact us on **06 835 9200** to apply for funding.

Sustainable Homes Funding for a healthy home



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Improving the health of your home

Insulation and ventilation

Insulation in your roof or under the floor can dramatically improve the comfort and health of your home.

Ventilation systems improve air flow within your home, reduce mould, and help keep your home at an even temperature.

Double glazing

Double glazing can significantly reduce heat loss from your home depending on the size and number of windows. It also helps keep your home cool in summer and adds soundproofing.

It's a good alternative where floor or ceiling insulation isn't possible.

Solar

Solar hot water and solar power are a great way to save on energy bills and ensure your home can function in an emergency.

Homeowners with existing homes can apply for funding but new builds do not qualify.

Water storage and septic tanks

Water storage provides a ready supply of water for your garden, particularly in summer when water restriction come into play. Water tanks also reduce storm water pressure on your property and neighbourhood, and reduce the need to pump more water from aquifers and streams.

Older septic tanks can cause health issues for both humans and the wider environment.

Clean Heat

We can help you get a warmer, healthier home inside and out with plenty of efficient heating options including heatpumps, gas fires, pellet burners, and woodburners.

Replacing your open fire or older model wood burner gives you cleaner winter air and a healthier home. Funding options are dependent on where you live - if your property is in Napier or Hastings cities and falls in the one of the airsheds, you may qualify for Clean Heat borrowing (3% interest rate) or a grant.

If your property is outside of the airsheds you may qualify for the Sustainable Homes programme (6% interest rate).

Head to [hbrc.govt.nz](https://www.hbrc.govt.nz) and search #sustainable to find out more about the programme and approved suppliers, or scan this QR Code.

