

STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Homeowner Application Information Sheet

St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program

The St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program is offering rebates of up to \$6,500 for woodstove changeouts in the St. Maries area (Figure 1). Woodstoves that are not US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-certified or are more than 20 years old will be replaced with new EPA-certified freestanding woodstoves and inserts; new EPA-certified wood pellet freestanding stoves and inserts; propane and natural gas; or electrical heat pump heating appliances.

To qualify for the program, the homeowner must complete the homeowner application. Only homeowners are eligible for rebates. If the residence is a rental, the homeowner must also submit a completed and signed Homeowner/Tenant Agreement to participate in the changeout program.

Applications will be accepted for this phase of the program from March 1 through May 31, 2025. Only households within the program boundaries (Figure 1) will be considered for a changeout.

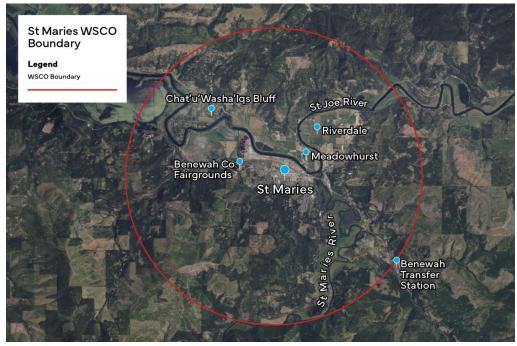


Figure 1. St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program boundary.

Accommodation services: The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality will provide reasonable language access services and/or disability services for documents at no charge. To request an accommodation under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 or Americans with Disabilities Act, contact DEQ's Title VI Coordinator at (208) 373-0271 or <u>accessibility@deq.idaho.gov</u>. Para obtener información en español, visite <u>https://www.deq.idaho.gov/about-us/accessibility/</u>

Homeowners must provide photos of their existing heating appliance before removal as part of their completed application. Photos must show the following:

- Front view of existing wood stove (insert and freestanding)—mandatory
- Current EPA certification tag (if present)
- Name plate (model) (if present)

If it is difficult to access the back of a woodstove or pellet insert to get photos and determine the EPA certification, manufacture date, and name plate (model), contact DEQ for assistance.

Completed applications must be signed by the homeowner and emailed or mailed to DEQ's Coeur d'Alene Regional Office at the address listed on the application form.

First priority will be given to verified low-income households. Verified low-income households will be eligible for up to, but not exceed, \$6,500. Other applicants may qualify for up to, but not exceed, \$4,000. Funding is limited and not guaranteed.

Homeowners may qualify for a low-income rebate if they have a verified household income below 200% of the US Department of Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines (Table 1).

Household/ Family Size	Annual Income ^b	Monthly Income ^c
1	\$31,300.00	\$2,608.33
2	\$42,300.00	\$3,525.00
3	\$53,300.00	\$4,441.67
4	\$64,300.00	\$5,358.33
5	\$75,300.00	\$6,275.00
6	\$86,300.00	\$7,191.67
7	\$97,300.00	\$8,108.33
8	\$108,300.00	\$9,025.00

 Table 1. St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program low-income guidelines—2025^a.

a. US Department of Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines

b. For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$11,000 for each additional person.

c. For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$916.67 for each additional person.

Homeowners who apply and are approved to receive a rebate for a new qualifying heating appliance through this program will choose a participating vendor from DEQ's approved Participating Vendor List. No self-installations are allowed under this program. Homeowners work directly with a participating vendor to remove their existing wood stove and install the new qualifying heating appliance. After installation, DEQ will reimburse the participating vendor for each issued rebate. Any cost above the agreed upon estimate will be the responsibility of the Homeowner at the time of installation.

If you have questions, contact Emily Flores, Coeur d'Alene Regional Office Coordinator at (208) 666-4635 or *Emily.Flores@deq.idaho.gov*.