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# SMALL BUSINESS BUNDLE PROGRAM SUMMARY

## What's the Small Business Bundle about?

The Small Business Bundle covers up to 100% of the costs for energy-saving improvements for your business. Austin Energy wants to help qualified small businesses and non-profits manage energy use, make efficiency improvements affordable and lower monthly bills. We recommend three upgrades and services for immediate and lasting benefits: HVAC tune-ups, LED lighting and smart thermostats.

## Why offer the Small Business Bundle?

Austin aims for carbon-free energy by 2035 and reducing energy use is vital to this goal. Austin Energy is committed to serving our customers and community as a public utility. The Small Business Bundle meets our customers' and city leadership's needs and goals.

## What about the 30% bonus?

Do you have old or inefficient equipment or parts at your facility? Now is a great time to update and save an extra 30% beyond Austin Energy's standard commercial rebates. There is no pressure to buy anything.

## Are you already upgraded?

No problem. If you've already made some upgrades, we'll work with you during a free consultation to find the best solutions for your business.

### Common Alternate Solutions

- Heat pump water heaters
- Insulation for ceilings and roofs
- Window treatments
- Window replacements
- Equipment for commercial kitchens

### Advanced Alternate Solutions

- Chillers and cooling towers
- Custom technologies
- Direct expansion (DX) air conditioning
- EC motor rebates
- Energy recovery ventilators
- Guest room controllers
- Reflective roof coating
- Transformers
- Variable frequency drives (VFD)

## How do I qualify?

Small businesses must:

- Be incorporated in Texas (may need a W-9 for proof).
- Have five (5) or fewer locations.
- Spend less than \$60k/year on electricity.
- Use Secondary Voltage Rate 1 (<10kW) or Rate 2 (>10kW <300kW).



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Non-profits and houses of worship must:

- Be able to provide an IRS letter proving tax-exempt status, if needed.
- Spend less than \$120k/year on electricity.
- Use Voltage Rate 1 (<10kW) or Rate 2 (>10kW <300kW).
  - All houses of worship and non-profits are eligible, regardless of rate.
  - Government entities, tax-exempt real estate trusts and housing co-ops are not eligible for this bonus.

**Ready to reduce your energy use and save money?** Start by scheduling a free consultation today.

## Requirements

- Participants must complete an on-site assessment and install at least three energy-efficiency solutions: lighting upgrades, HVAC tune-ups and smart thermostats.
- If the recommended energy efficiency solutions aren't applicable, participating after an on-site assessment is still possible by choosing any two alternate solutions offered by Austin Energy.
- Use an Austin Energy contractor, ensuring they meet all program standards, including the [Austin Energy Code of Conduct and Ethical Requirements \(pdf\)](#).
- Contractors are chosen based on their performance, good standing with Austin Energy and capability to provide a wide range of services.
- Jobs are assigned to contractors in a fair rotation, considering geographic location and customer needs. Contractors must have the necessary certifications and equipment.
- Submit your application before starting the installation to qualify for rebates. Rebates are not available for projects completed before application.
- Incentives cover up to 95% of the project cost, with a notable exception for non-profits, which may receive up to 100%.
- You might still qualify if your business operates on a residential electric service. Contact the Austin Energy program manager to discuss your situation.
- Austin Energy may adjust or deny rebate applications based on individual circumstances.

## Compliance, Code and Permits

- Upgrades must comply with all regulations and manufacturer guidelines to qualify for rebates.
- Compliance includes adhering to local, state and federal building codes and obtaining necessary permits.
- For requirements on when electrical permits are required, refer to the City of Austin Municipal Code [chapter 25-12-113, section 80.19\(c\)](#).
- When permits are required for mechanical work, refer to the [Codes, Resources, and Tools](#) section of the City of Austin's Development Services Department website.
- Contact the [Development Services Department](#) for more information on mechanical, electrical and building permits.

Book a free professional consultation to get your energy efficiency bundle assessment. Email [SmallBusiness@AustinEnergy.com](mailto:SmallBusiness@AustinEnergy.com) or call **512-972-9511**. Learn more at [AustinEnergy.com/Bundle](https://AustinEnergy.com/Bundle).