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NYSERDA's EmPower+ Program Seeks Experienced Contractors

NYSERDA is actively seeking well-qualified contractors to perform energy-related weatherization, repairs, and installations for homeowners participating in the EmPower+ program.

About EmPower+

The EmPower+ program incentivizes owners and renters of 1 to 4 family homes to make energy-related improvements. Incentive levels are based on household income and cover between 50–100% of the approved measure cost.

EmPower+ participants must:

- Be income eligible
- Have a home energy assessment performed as a first step
- After the assessment, work with a participating contractor who develops the workscope*

EmPower+ program incentives may be used for:

- Insulating and air sealing attics and walls
- Installing high-efficiency lighting
- Replacing inefficient refrigerators and freezers
- In some cases, installing clean heating and cooling technologies, such as heat pumps and heat pump water heaters

Benefits of becoming an EmPower+ contractor:

- Receive program referrals for energy efficiency work
- NYSERDA's prompt payment policy
- Access to low-interest financing
- Third-party Quality Assurance to put a customer's mind at ease

*Workscopes must be submitted to NYSERDA. NYSERDA will notify the contractor of approved measures.



Ready to get started?

Learn more at

- nysesda.ny.gov/empower
- hpwescontractorsupport.com



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EmPower+ Participating Contractor Qualifications

A minimum of six months of energy efficiency experience is required.

NYSERDA expects that businesses and organizations applying for Participating Contractor status are well established, with the proper equipment and knowledge necessary to deliver high-quality home performance services.

Interested in becoming a participating contractor? Follow these four steps:

- 1) Email support.residential@nyserda.ny.gov** — In the email, provide company name, primary contact, address. Additionally, request an account manager to contact you regarding participation in the EmPower+ program.
- 2) Submit an application** — Go to hpwescontractorsupport.com to view and/or download the EmPower+ Program Manual. Review the NYSERDA Residential Programs Contractor Agreement. Then, complete the Agreement Application Signature Form, which is located in [Section 2](#). Along with the application, be sure to include a detailed history of your company and staff experience in the energy efficiency sector, certificate of insurance, and — if applicable — a DBA form.
- 3) Complete an on-boarding interview** — After submitting a completed application, a NYSERDA representative will email you within 2 weeks to set up a phone interview. The interview is an opportunity for you to discuss your services and experience, ask questions about the program, and answer questions NYSERDA may have.
- 4) Get approved and start work!** — The EmPower+ Program Manual, available at hpwescontractorsupport.com, contains detailed information about the program.

Need extra support?

NYSERDA Regional Clean Energy Hubs provide energy-related guidance to New York State residents — including contractors — at no charge. Hubs can assist in completing applications, and provide information about NYSERDA, its other program offerings, and additional funding opportunities.

To contact a Hub, please visit nyserda.ny.gov/CE-Hubs.

Want to learn more?

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