

BESO Time of Sale Resilience Measures & Credits

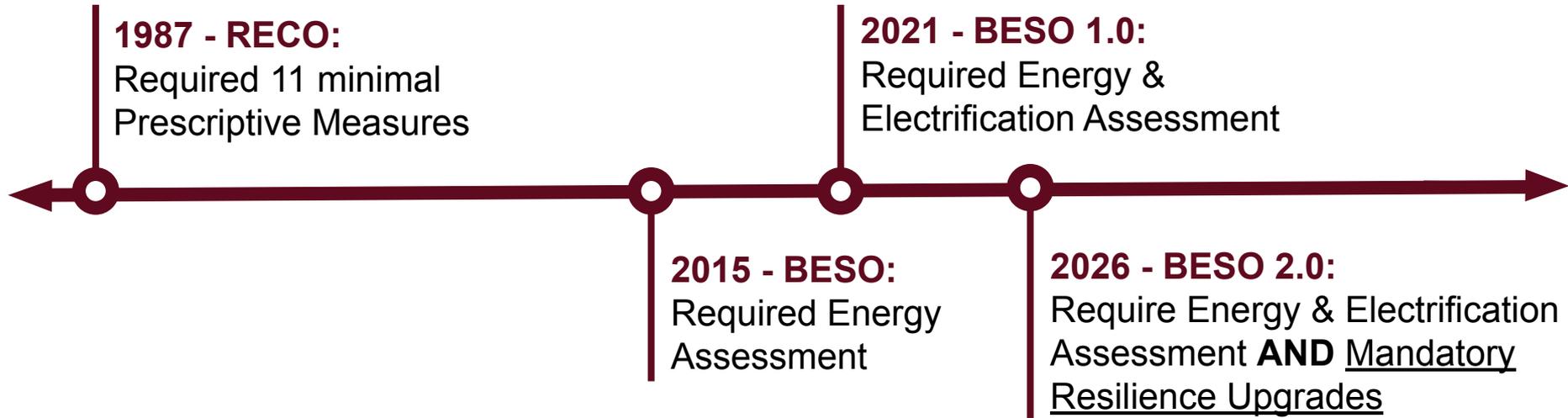
Environment and Climate Commission

June 25, 2025



Background and Previous BESO Requirements

Berkeley's History with Small Residential Requirements



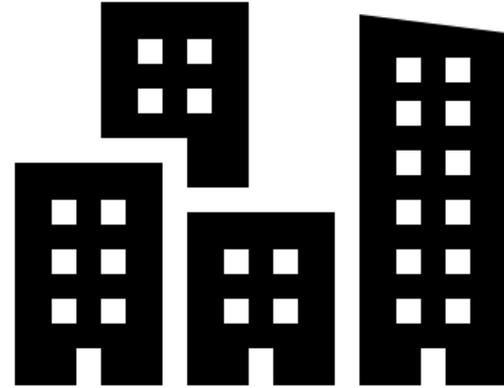
Building Emissions Saving Ordinance (BESO)

Time of Sale Program



Buildings **less** than
25,000 sqft

Large Building Program



Buildings **greater** than
25,000 sqft

Current Time of Sale Program (through 2025)



- Requires an **energy/electrification assessment** prior to listing a building for sale
 - Home Energy Score for Single family homes
 - Provides information to potential buyers
- Refers building owners into local incentive programs to complete voluntary upgrades



Home Energy Score Assessment



Home Energy Score Energy Savings Pathway Report



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
Home Energy Score

LOCATION: 1837 Berryman St, Berkeley, CA, 94703

BEDROOMS: 3 HEATED FLOOR AREA: 1,672 sq.ft.

COMPANY: DMP East Bay Inspections LLC

EMAIL: dave@dmpinspections.com

YEAR BUILT: 1909

ASSESSMENT DATE: 02/19/2025

ASSESSOR: Dave Pagano

PHONE: (925) 222-2023

Current Score	Recommended Shell Improvements ¹	Full Home Electrification ²
4 OUT OF 10 Estimate of Current Yearly Energy Costs ³ \$3,899	6 OUT OF 10 Estimate of Energy Costs with Shell Improvements \$3,561	9 OUT OF 10 Estimate of Energy Costs with Electrification \$4,067

Home Energy Score Details



Official Assessment: ID# 572560

Average U.S. Home's Score = 5

The U.S. Department of Energy's Home Energy Score assesses the energy efficiency of a home based on its structure and heating, cooling and hot water systems. Learn more at HomeEnergyScore.gov.

Current Estimated Energy Use By Fuel Type³

Fuel Type	Estimated Current Use	After Shell Improvements	After Full Electrification
Electric: 6,399 kWh/yr (\$0.43/kWh)	\$2,752	\$2,713	\$4,067
Natural Gas: 484 therms/yr (\$2.37/therm)	\$1,147	\$848	\$0
Other:	\$0	\$0	\$0
Renewable Generation: (\$0.43/kWh)	N/A	N/A	N/A
TOTAL ESTIMATED YEARLY ENERGY COSTS	\$3,899	\$3,561	\$4,067

This Home's Carbon Footprint⁴

Carbon footprint by fuel type (measured in Metric tons of CO₂): Electric: 0.1 Natural Gas: 2.6



Learn how to improve this score and electrify your home to use less energy on the next page.

Tackle energy waste today!

- Get your home energy assessment. Done!
- Choose energy improvements from the list of recommendations below.
- Select a contractor (or two, for comparison) and obtain bids.
- Perform upgrades and enjoy a more comfortable and energy efficient home.

Current Score

4

OUT OF 10

For More Information Visit the Websites Below

Find Incentives



bayren.org

Find A Contractor



switchison.org

US Rebates & Tax Credits



energy.gov/save

AVA



avainergy.org

Energy Improvements Customized for Your Home

SHELL IMPROVEMENTS ¹		
FEATURE	TODAY'S CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
Envelope/Air sealing	Not professionally air sealed	Professionally air seal
Attic insulation	Ceiling insulated to R-9	Insulate to R-38 or higher
Duct insulation	Insulated	No recommendation
Duct sealing	Un-sealed	Reduce leakage to a maximum of 5% of total airflow
Wall insulation	Insulated to R-0	Insulate to R-13 or higher
Floor insulation	Insulated to R-0	Insulate to R-30 or fill floor cavity
Knee Wall insulation	Knee wall insulated to R-11	No recommendation
Skylights	Double-pane	No recommendation
Windows	Multiple types	Upgrade to double-pane or other high-efficiency windows

FULL HOME ELECTRIFICATION IMPROVEMENTS ²		
FEATURE	TODAY'S CONDITION	RECOMMENDED IMPROVEMENTS
Appliances: Heat Pump Dryer	Gas Dryer	Heat pump clothes dryer 4.5 Combined Energy Factor (CEF) replacing a natural gas clothes dryer
Appliances: Induction Cooking	Gas Range/Cooktop	Induction electric range/cooktop replacing a natural gas range/cooktop
Electrical Panel	100Amps	Discuss potential need for a panel upgrade with an electrician.
Air Conditioner	None installed	Upgrade to Electric Heat Pump, minimum 15 SEER
Heating equipment	Natural gas furnace 80% AFUE	Upgrade to Electric Heat Pump, minimum 8.6 HSPF
Solar PV	None installed	Consider solar PV
Water Heater	Natural gas EF 0.67	Replace with heat pump hot water heater

Next page provides additional notes from your Home Energy Score Assessor

BESO's Upgrade Requirements

Upcoming of BESO Requirements



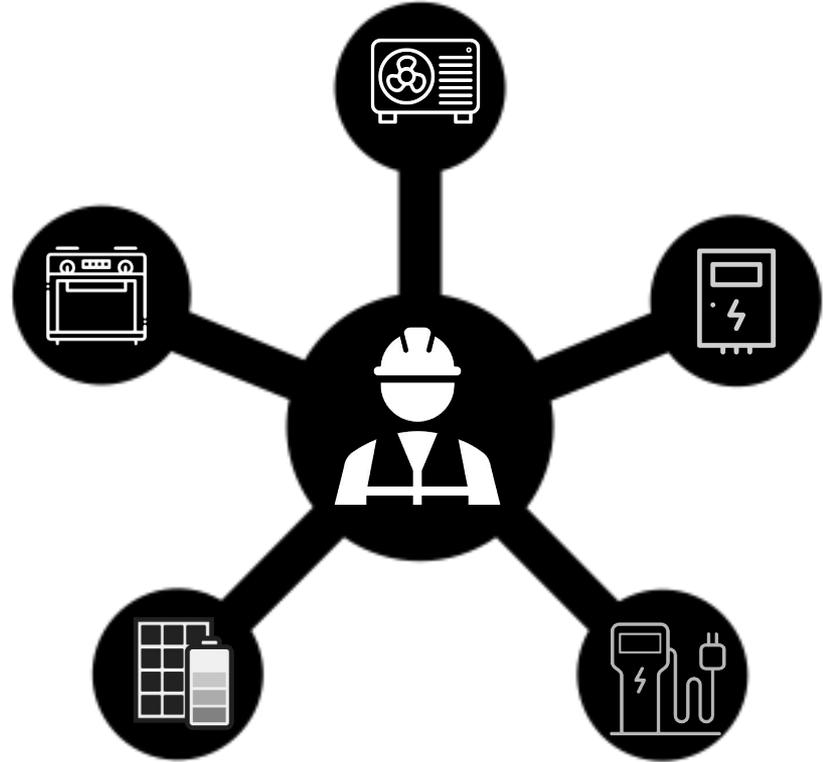
Beginning Jan 1, 2026:

- Seller completes the Home Energy Score assessment
- Buyer completes the upgrade(s) within 3 years of the sale if compliance has not been met



Flexible Resilience Standard

- List of possible upgrades
- Each upgrade has a corresponding credit value
- Buildings need to achieve minimum number of credits through upgrades



Phase-in by Building Type



- **Phase I (January 1, 2026):**
 - Single-family & Duplexes

- **Phase II (January 1, 2028):**
 - 3-4 Unit Residential Buildings

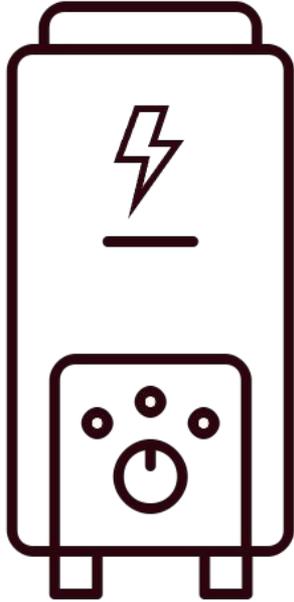


Berkeley Sales Analysis



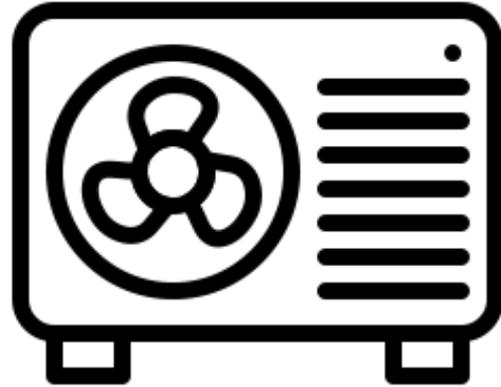
Building Type	Avg. # of Buildings Sold per Year	% of Sales
Single Family	600	61%
Duplex	60	6%
3-4 Units	50	5%
Not subject buildings (Condominiums, Commercial, larger Multifamily, industrial)	290	28%

Exemption Pathway: Heat Pump System



Water Heating

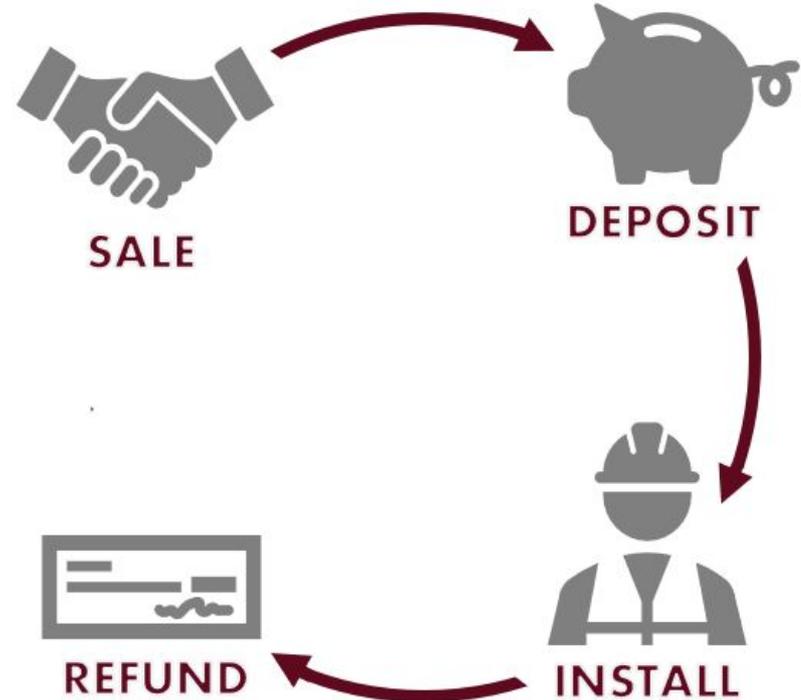
OR



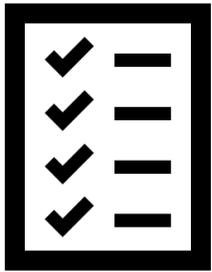
Space Heating/HVAC

Utilizes an Escrow Deposit

- \$5,000 deposit sent from escrow to City split between buyer and seller
- Buyer has up to 3 years to complete upgrades, additional extensions may be granted
- Refunded once property is compliant
 - Ability to refund early if work is underway
- Forfeited escrow deposits will be used for low-income electrification programs



Example: Home *doesn't* have a heat pump system



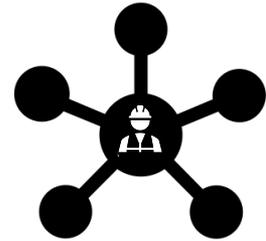
Seller completes
assessment
(Home Energy Score)



Home listed for
sale

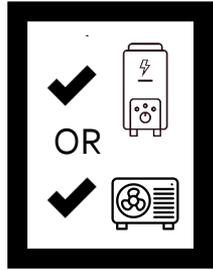


\$5,000 deposit to cover
upgrades sent at closing



Buyer completes upgrades
to meet target credit
requirement and receives
deposit refund

Example: Home *has* a heat pump system



Seller completes assessment
(Home Energy Score)



Home listed for
sale



Fully Compliant, no
upgrade needed

Exemptions/Support

- **BESO Exemptions:**

- **All-electric homes** with permits showing capped gas line
- **Refinances, partial and inheritance transfers**
- Income qualified **First Time Home Buyers**

- **Support:**

- Credit for **High Home Energy Score**
- Option to obtain **early refund**
- **Hardship** extensions and deferrals

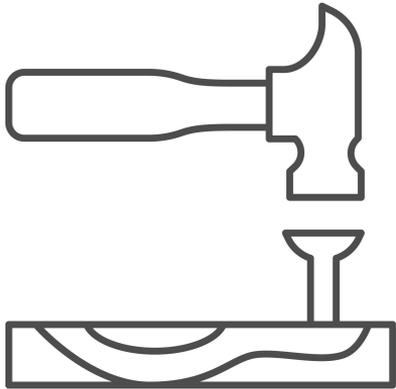


Questions



Measures & Credits

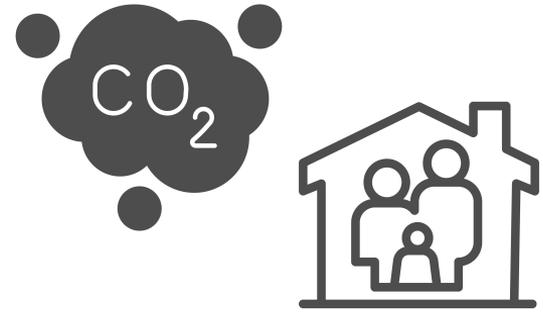
Selection of Measures



Permanent



Verifiable



**Contributes to Energy/
Emissions Reduction or
Increases Resilience**

Initial Determination of Credits



- Emissions/Energy Savings:
 - Cost Effectiveness Explorer
- Measure Cost:
 - TECH Clean CA
 - BayREN Project Data
 - Consultant Estimate
- Bonus credits:
 - Added bonus credit to some measures for added health, safety, resilience or efficiency benefits

Cost Effectiveness Explorer

Home

EXPLORE DATA

- Summary
- Building Estimates
- Study Results

POLICY DESIGN

- My Policies
- Policy Options
- Policy Comparison

Results for [City of Berkeley](#)

Existing Buildings | New Buildings

Single Family | 33,103 Total Units

Study Source: Existing Single Family Building Upgrades (2021) | Release Date: August 27

Built before 1978 89.6% 29,648 Units

Measure & Packages | Per Home Results

Select the measures you want to combine to create your policy.

	Emissions Reductions (MTCO ₂ e/year)	Energy Savings site MMBtu/year
<input type="checkbox"/> Cool Roof (when re-roofing)	-0.031 (-1.1%)	-0.69
<input type="checkbox"/> PV + Battery	0.397 (14.4%)	11.18
<input type="checkbox"/> HVAC Heat Pump (at burnout)	0.553 (21.1%)	15.63
<input type="checkbox"/> High Eff HVAC Heat Pump (at bur	0.643 (24.5%)	17.11
<input type="checkbox"/> HPWH (at burnout)	0.584 (21.5%)	11.93
<input type="checkbox"/> High Eff HPWH (at burnout)	0.634 (23.3%)	12.94

Upgrade Measures & Credits



Credits Needed: 6

Measure	Credits*	Criteria
Heat Pump Water Heater	6	Emissions
Heat Pump HVAC	6	Emissions
Knob + Tube Replacement	6	Cost
Smart Panel	6	Cost
Solar PV + Storage	6	Cost
Panel/Service Upgrade	6	Cost
Duct Replacement	3	Emissions
Bi-Directional EV Charger	3	Cost
EV Charger	2	Cost

Measure	Credits*	Criteria
Induction Range	2	Emissions
Window Replacements	2-4	Emissions
Attic Insulation	2	Emissions
Wall Insulation	2-4	Emissions
Floor Insulation	1	Emissions
Electric Clothes Dryer	1-2	Cost
Greywater System	1	Cost
Air Sealing	1	Emissions
Prewiring & 240v receptacles	1/2 per receptacle	Cost

*These are the initial credit values previewed by Council. To be finalized.

Electrification Measures



Measure	Credits	Criteria
Heat Pump Water Heater	6	Emissions
Heat Pump HVAC	6	Emissions
Bi-Directional EV Charger	3	Cost (EV Charger) + Bonus
EV Charger	2	Cost
Induction Range <i>(switching from gas)</i>	2	Emissions + Bonus
Electric Clothes Dryer <i>(switching from gas)</i>	Heat Pump: 2 Electric Resistance: 1	Emissions + Bonus Emissions

Electric-Ready Measures



Measure	Credits	Criteria
Electrical Service Panel Upgrade	6*	Cost + Council Bonus
Smart Panel	6	Cost
Prewiring & 240v receptacles	$\frac{1}{2}$ per receptacle (2 Credits Max)	Cost

*City Council directed staff to set any panel upgrade to 6 points.

Energy Efficiency Measures



Measure	Credits	Criteria
Window Replacements	100%: 4 75%: 3 50%: 2	Emissions
Wall Insulation	100%: 4 75%: 3 50%: 2	Emissions
HVAC Duct Replacement	3	Emissions
Attic Insulation	2	Emissions
Floor/Crawl Space Insulation	1	Emissions
Air Sealing	1	Emissions

Resilience, Health & Safety Measures



Measure	Credits	Criteria
Knob & Tube Replacement with Pre-Wiring of 240v receptacles	6	Cost
Solar PV + Battery Storage	6	Cost
Battery Storage (Only)	4	Credits Split + Bonus
Solar (Only)	3	Credits Split
Greywater System	1	Cost

Next Steps



Thank You!



Ammon Reagan

Sustainability Program Coordinator

City of Berkeley

AREagan@BerkeleyCA.gov

