The Benefits of Ductless Heat Pumps for Communities

Lessons from the Energize South Coast and Energize Rogue Programs

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Energize South Coast/Rogue

- Group purchase program to increase DHP installations.
- 248 Installations and growing!
- 28 Jobs created or retained across Southwest Oregon.



Community Benefits of DHP's:

- ➤ Savings 50-70% on current electricity heating bills
- Energy efficiency up to 3 times more efficient than traditional electric heat
- Simple installation
- Heating and cooling capacity to meet extreme temperatures
- Air filtration for smokey days
- Job creation 28 jobs created through the Energize program
- High, growing demand



"There are many benefits. Firstly, <u>the cost savings</u>. I am all about saving money being a single income household... On average, I would spend around \$140 on my largest power bill. Now, I think my highest was \$74. <u>It is much more efficient</u>.

It is also so much <u>more comfortable in my house</u>. This past summer we had <u>a few hot days and to have AC was incredible</u>! I have never had AC and it was very nice. Also, <u>during the fires it was nice to know my system was cleaning my air</u>. Lastly, my system is so quiet...It's very nice to not have a boisterous system."

~ Chloe Eberlein, Coos County community member

"The cost savings on the Energize the South Coast installation made my installation possible. For working class individuals like myself I think the program is incredible.

I wish my parents would have signed up for the initiative. My installation was simple...and effective for my home.

I recommend anyone for this program. Start saving money and work hard so you can take advantage of this great service!"

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Why Emergency Heat Relief for communities?

- Remove barriers to accessing cooling devices for the Oregonians who need them most.
- Invest in good jobs across the state.
- Benefit rural and coastal communities, who are disproportionately energy burdened.
- Improve community health.
- Create access to Ductless Heat Pumps as an efficient, cost-effective solution across the state.