

# New Construction Best Practice Pilot

Incentives for New Construction or Major Renovations



The New Construction Best Practice Pilot provides incentives for new construction or major renovation of an existing space designed to exceed energy code requirements.

This pilot program offers a prescriptive approach to new construction projects and is designed for fast-moving, developer-led projects. The program includes a predetermined list of measures available for specific building types along with expert technical assistance for how to best implement the measures.

The New Construction Best Practice Pilot provides an optimized and predictable incentive pathway with pre-defined, per-square-foot incentives for achieving energy efficiency best practices, as well as optional advanced measures.

## Building types included in the program

- Warehouse and Industrial
- Parking Garage
- Office
- Multi-Family and Assisted Living
- Retail and Grocery



## Benefits of the Program

The New Construction Best Practice Pilot provides solutions that can help your facility generate long-term energy and cost savings. Participants in this program can expect:

- **A streamlined process for participation in utility programs (low time investment).**
- **Clear requirements and predictable benefits (\$/SF).**
- **Expert technical guidance on the latest building energy efficiency opportunities.**
- **Practical, low-risk, solutions.**
- **Excellent economic returns (short payback period).**
- **Third-party review of architecture and engineering decisions.**

## Incentives and Eligibility

The program offers a holistic approach to your project by offering incentives for both gas and electric savings. For projects served by Consumer's Gas and Electric Services (no gas only projects).

Building Type	Incentive Rate	Design Incentive
Multi-Family & Assisted Living	Measures are incentivized at \$0.13/gross square feet (gsf) of Multi-Family space with additional incentives available for optional advanced measures.	Design firms can earn \$5,000 for the accurate submission of design work-books for each building type.
Office	Measures are incentivized at \$0.17/gross square feet (gsf) of Office space with additional incentives available for optional advanced measures.	
Parking Garage	Measures are incentivized at \$0.08/gross square feet (gsf) of Parking Garage space with additional incentives available for optional advanced measures.	
Retail and Grocery	Measures are incentivized at \$0.30/gross square feet (gsf) of Retail and Grocery space with additional incentives available for optional advanced measures.	
Warehouse & Industrial	Measures are incentivized at \$0.20/gross square feet (gsf) of Warehouse or Industrial space with additional incentives available for optional advanced measures.	

Qualifying projects must meet all of the following requirements:

- Minimum of 5,000 ft<sup>2</sup>.
- Project is in design phase prior to permit.
- The building must be a commercial building as defined by state and local building codes.
- Project will exceed the current Energy Conservation Code requirements for energy efficiency.
- Project must meet or exceed all base Best Practice energy efficiency requirements.

**Contact us to learn if your project is eligible for incentive rebates**

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