



## REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS -- ACTION STEPS

(because this is a Climate Emergency)

### *Make your home more energy efficient*

“About 20% of all greenhouse gas emissions come from the residential housing sector.”  
[Mass Save | Inflation Reduction Act FAQs](#).

Contact MassSave for a free home energy assessment. [Home Energy Assessments | Residential | Mass Save](#)

Find out about tax incentives and rebates: [Mass Save | Inflation Reduction Act FAQs](#)

More information is found here: [Residential Rebates & Incentives | Mass Save](#)

Learn about no-cost upgrades and new appliances through the Income Eligible Program. [Mass Save | Income Eligible Programs](#)

### *Switch to an electric heat pump*

Electric heat pump heating and cooling systems can operate on energy produced from renewable sources. [Mass Save | Residential Electrification](#)

Find out about tax incentives and rebates: [Residential Rebates & Incentives | Mass Save](#) and [Energy Efficient Home Improvement Credit | Internal Revenue Service \(irs.gov\)](#)

### *Reduce food waste and compost organics*

“Food loss and waste is estimated to be roughly one third of the food intended for human consumption in the United States. Food loss and waste also exacerbates the climate change crisis with its significant greenhouse gas footprint.” [Food Waste and its Links to Greenhouse Gases and Climate Change | USDA](#)

Landfills emit methane from decaying organic waste.

Reach out to DPW to obtain a composter for your backyard. Or contact Black Earth Compost about having organics picked up curbside. [Black Earth Compost](#)

### *Reduce emissions from transportation*

“The U.S. transportation sector is responsible for more greenhouse gas emissions than any other sector of our economy.” [Climate Action | US Department of Transportation](#)

Consider purchasing an Electric Vehicle – which saves money over the course of ownership due to fewer maintenance issues.

Find out about tax incentives and rebates. [MOR-EV Rebate Program | Mass.gov](#) and [Credits for new clean vehicles purchased in 2023 or after | Internal Revenue Service \(irs.gov\)](#)

No matter what you drive – public transportation is always the best option.

### *Switch off your Gas Stove*

Gas stoves release methane, a “particularly destructive greenhouse gas” which “poses acute and chronic hazards to human health.” White House Office of Domestic Climate Policy: U.S. Methane Emissions Reduction Action Plan.

Induction stoves are the most sustainable way to prepare meals. Find out about rebates available for induction stoves. [Induction Stoves | Mass Save](#)

### *Install Solar Panels*

Reduce your environmental impact and take advantage of tax incentives.

[Solar Power Guide for Energy Savings In Massachusetts \(masssave.com\)](#)