

"Do It Yourself" AIR SEALING

Program to Help You Save \$ on Fuel Costs

"Do It Yourself":

The DIY approach is a good solution for motivated homeowners who are able to access their attics and basements, and willing to learn basic techniques for sealing the air leaks. Most DIY projects are cheaper to implement than professional projects, with typical energy savings in the range of 5-10%.

Did You Know?

The attic is the biggest air leak culprit in homes. Sealing up the air leaks in that area is the best guarantee for a comfortable home.

The Tools:

The basic materials needed to seal air leaks in a home are:

- acrylic latex caulk
- caulking gun
- weather-stripping for doors and windows
- door sweeps for the bottom of doors
- insulating gaskets for electrical outlets

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Workshop Dates & Locations

●
Wed. Sept. 16, 2009
6 – 7:30 PM

DOVER-FOXCROFT

Penquis
50 North St.
Dover-Foxcroft, 04426

●
Thur. Sept. 17, 2009
6 – 7:30 PM

DEXTER

Town Council Chambers
23 Main St.
Dexter, 04930

●
Wed. Sept. 23, 2009
6 – 7:30 PM

LINCOLN

Ballard Hill Community Center
75 Main St.
Lincoln, 04457

●
Thur. Sept. 24 2009
6 – 7:30 PM

BANGOR

Penquis
262 Harlow St.
Bangor, 04401



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Did You Know Air Leaks

Can Account for **5-40%** of Your Heating /Cooling Costs?

You can reduce your home's heating and cooling costs through proper insulation and air sealing techniques.

If you are motivated and willing to make energy saving improvements to your home but lack the know-how or funds for materials, **Penquis Housing and Energy Service's "Do It Yourself" Air Sealing Program CAN HELP!**



The "Do It Yourself" Air Sealing Program

- Provides educational materials and workshops to demonstrate air sealing techniques.
- Provides a Free Home Energy Audit.
- Develops an individualized program for a homeowner to address air sealing problems.
- Reimburses for air sealing materials up to \$200.
- Provides a follow-up home energy audit to evaluate the effectiveness of the measures taken to stop the air leaks.

Educational Workshop

The workshop will be offered at the Penquis offices in Bangor, as well as at locations in Dover-Foxcroft, Dexter, & Lincoln. Participants can choose a time and location that works best for them. Dates and times listed on back. The workshops are required and will cover:

- An Explanation of the Program
- The Home Energy Audit
- How to Look for Air Leaks
- Potential Hazards
- Examples of Typical Air Leaks
- Techniques for Air Sealing
- Questions and Answers

Receive a Free Home Energy Audit

Reducing your home heating and cooling bills begins with conducting a home energy audit to assess where your home may be losing energy through air leaks or inadequate insulation. It is the first step to evaluate what measures you can take to make your home more energy efficient. During the audit, you can pinpoint where your house is losing energy. An audit will show you problems that, when corrected, may save you significant amounts of money over time.

The Home Energy Audit will include a Blower Door Test and Air Sealing Tasks Recommended Specifically for Your Home.

Get Reimbursed for Air Sealing Materials up to \$200

Using the recommendations from the audit, make your materials list and go shopping. Submit your receipt for reimbursement for items including:

Spray Foam
Caulk

Weather-stripping
Door Sweeps

What are the Benefits?

- Save Money & Fuel
- Learn Skills for Air Sealing Your Home
- Stay Warmer in the Winter
- Stay Cooler in the Summer
- More Comfortable in Both Winter and Summer

Income Eligibility

If You Are in this Income Range:

Penobscot County	\$38,160—\$57,240
Piscataquis County	\$36,160—\$54,240

Participant Requirements:

- Fill Out an Application with Proof of Household Income (W-2 Forms)
- Attend a Workshop To Learn Skills
- Be Present at the Home Audit
- Be Willing & Able To Make Air Sealing Improvements within a 30– 40 day turn around.
- Keep Records of Your Time & Expenses
- Have the Follow-up Audit Performed to Confirm Your Success

Sign Up Now

To request an Application or For More Information Call

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