

Save with solar. It's that simple.

The Solar Homes Program has supported more than 250,000 Victorians to install solar panels, batteries and hot water systems.



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About Solar Victoria

Solar Victoria's Solar Homes Program offers rebates and interest-free loans for installing solar panels, batteries and energy efficient hot water systems to help Victorians save on energy costs.

Eligible owner-occupier households can apply for all three incentives.

Solar panel (PV) rebate

Eligible households can claim a discount of up to \$1,400 on the cost of installing solar panels (PV). The solar panel (PV) rebate is also available for homes under construction.

Interest-free loans are also offered for approved applicants.

Solar for rental properties rebate

Eligible rental providers can claim a discount of up to \$1,400 on the cost of installing solar panels (PV) on up to two rental properties per financial year.

Interest-free loans are also offered for approved applicants.

Hot water rebate

Eligible households can claim a discount of up to \$1,000 on the cost of a solar hot water or heat pump hot water system.

Solar battery loan

Eligible households can claim an interest-free loan of up to \$8,800 towards the cost of a solar battery installation.

How do I apply?

Step 1: Confirm your eligibility

You can read the list of eligibility criteria on the next page.

Step 2: Get a quote

Contact a Solar Victoria authorised solar retailer and get a quote. You can find their details on the Solar Victoria website at solar.vic.gov.au/retailers

When you contact a solar retailer, you should let them know you are interested in applying for a Solar Victoria rebate or loan.

To be eligible for a rebate or loan, products must be on the Solar Victoria products list at solar.vic.gov.au/product-lists

Step 3: Apply for your rebate

Once you have accepted a quote from an authorised solar retailer, you can apply through the Solar Victoria customer portal.

Your solar retailer will claim the rebate or loan amount on your behalf and the amount will be deducted from the overall cost of your system and installation. You are responsible for paying any outstanding balance directly to your solar retailer once installed.

To learn more, visit: solar.vic.gov.au/apply

Contact us

You can find more information at solar.vic.gov.au or call our Customer Service team on 1300 376 393 (during business hours).



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1. Based on a typical 6.16 Kw rooftop system

Benefits



Reduce your
energy bills



Tackle climate
change



Own your
own energy

Rebate and loan eligibility criteria



Solar panel (PV) rebate – Up to \$1,400

You could be eligible to receive a solar panel (PV) rebate if:

- » you are the owner-occupier of an existing property, or the owner of a home under construction, where the system is to be installed
- » the combined household taxable income of all owners is less than \$210,000 a year¹
- » you have not already received a solar panel (PV) rebate or solar battery rebate as an owner-occupier under the Solar Homes Program
- » the property is an existing property valued at under \$3 million, or a home under construction that will be valued at under \$3 million at the time of completion
- » the property address has not already received a solar panel (PV) rebate or solar battery rebate under the Solar Homes Program²
- » the property has not previously had an existing solar PV system installed (unless prior to 1 November, 2009).



Solar panel (PV) rebate for rental properties – Up to \$1,400

If you are a Victorian rental provider, you could be eligible to receive a rebate for your rental property if:

- » your renters have a combined household income of less than \$210,000 a year¹
- » the property is valued at under \$3 million and does not already have solar panels (PV) installed
- » the property address has not already received a solar panel (PV) rebate or solar battery rebate under the Solar Homes Program²
- » the property has not had a solar panel (PV) system installed after 1 November 2009
- » a *Solar Homes Program Agreement between Rental Provider and Renter* is signed by the rental provider and all renters
- » the property is currently tenanted with a rental agreement in place.



Hot water rebate – Up to \$1,000

You could be eligible to receive a hot water rebate for an approved solar hot water or heat pump hot water system if:

- » you are the owner-occupier of the property where the system is to be installed
- » the combined household taxable income of all owners is less than \$210,000 a year¹
- » you have not already received a solar battery rebate or a hot water rebate under the Solar Homes Program
- » it is an existing property, valued at under \$3 million
- » the property address has not already received a solar battery rebate or a hot water rebate as an owner-occupier under the Solar Homes Program²
- » the hot water system to be replaced is at least three years old from the date of purchase.



Solar battery loan – Up to \$8,800

You could be eligible to receive a solar battery loan if:

- » you are the owner-occupier of the property where the system is to be installed
- » the combined household taxable income of all owners is less than \$210,000 a year¹
- » it is an existing property, valued at under \$3 million
- » the property address has not already received a solar battery rebate²
- » the property already has solar PV panels with a capacity equal to or greater than 5kW, or will have one installed in conjunction with the solar battery installation
- » the energy storage solution has a capacity equal to or greater than 6kWh and is listed on Solar Victoria's battery product list and the property does not have an existing energy storage system
- » pre-approval is obtained from your Distributed Network Service Provider (DNSP) to safely connect a battery to the grid
- » the owner/s agrees to receive information from their Distribution Network Service Provider about taking part in battery trials to maximise the value households get from them.

1. Based on any of the last two years' taxable income

2. Our customer service team is contactable on 1300 376 393 and can confirm if a property has previously participated in the Solar Homes Program

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