## **Application Process**

### **BEFORE YOUR RETROFIT**

- Submit a pre-application form online
- · Receive your notice of eligibility
- Complete a pre-retrofit energy audit

### PLANNING YOUR RETROFIT

- · Meet with the Retrofit Coach
- Collect your quotes and submit a funding request form
- Enter a property owner agreement
- Receive your initial disbursement for contractor deposits

### **RETROFIT YOUR HOME!**

### **AFTER YOUR RETROFIT**

- Complete a post-retrofit energy audit
- Submit a project completion report
- Receive your final disbursement
- Repay your loan through your property tax bill

Applicants have 1 year to complete their retrofit project from the time they receive their notice of eligibility.

## To Learn More

### Visit



lanarkcounty.ca/betterhomeslanark

### **Email**



betterhomeslanark@lanarkcounty.ca

### Call



613-267-4200 ext. 3105





# **Program Overview**

Better Homes Lanark offers low-interest loans and grants to make your home more comfortable, energy efficient, and reliable.

Eligible improvements include:

#### **HEATING & COOLING**

- High-efficiency furnaces, boilers, air conditioners
- Heat pumps
- High-efficiency water heaters

#### **BUILDING ENVELOPE**

- Windows, doors, and skylights
- Insulation (basement, attic, interior)
- · Air sealing (weather stripping, caulking)

#### RENEWABLE ENERGY

- Rooftop solar photovoltaic systems
- Battery storage
- Electric vehicle charging stations

### WATER EFFICIENCY

- Low-flow toilets
- Hot water circulation system

### **CLIMATE ADAPTATION**

- Sump pumps
- Basement waterproofing
- Back-up generators



# **Funding Details**

Loan payments are made through a Local Improvement Charge (LIC) that gets added to your tax bill and paid over the term of your loan to your municipality.

• Term: 5 to 20 years

• Interest rate: 2.75% (fixed)

Maximum loan: \$40,000

• Minimum loan: \$10,000

• Grants: Up to \$5,000\*

\*Funding through combined grants and loans cannot exceed \$40,000.

- You must own a single-family home in Lanark County (excluding Smiths Falls)
- All property owners must agree to join the program
- All property tax, utility bills, and other payments to the municipality must have been paid promptly within the last 5 years
- You must be able to achieve a minimum 30% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions or energy consumption, as indicated through an EnerGuide Home Energy Evaluation

## **Retrofit Coach**

Home energy upgrades can be complex, which is why Better Homes Lanark offers a free Retrofit Coach service to all applicants. The Retrofit Coach will guide you through the entire process, ensuring you're well informed and making the best decisions for your specific situation. The Retrofit Coach can also help you find other funding programs you may be eligible for.