

# **Contractor Intro to Heating**

with Air Source Heat Pumps

#### ASHPs: a win-win for you and your customers

Air Source Heat Pumps (ASHPs) are now a proven energy-saving technology for heating, tested through years of practical application and multiple studies.





#### Widespread adoption

A recent statewide study shows ASHPs as one of the primary ways Minnesota will reach its energy efficiency goals by 2029.

#### **2** Large market in Minnesota

ASHPs are a good fit for the 585,000 households heated with electricity and propane.

#### **3** Significant utility rebates

Most electric utilities offer rebates for ducted and ductless ASHPs—from \$250-\$2,000+.

#### Quality installation

Trained and certified contractors will be best positioned to take advantage of this growing market.



#### **GET TRAINING**

## Pursue technical training and certification.

Contractor Training: hvacredu.net

Contractor Certification: natex.org

Equipment Certification & Industry Standards: ahrinet.org

Some electric utilities and manufacturers may offer their own training.

Some utilities require that you become a qualified contractor to be eligible for rebates.

### Provide customers with a proven energy-saving technology



- ASHPs offer cost-effective heating for customers heating with electricity or propane.
- Heat homes up to three times more efficiently than forced air and electric resistance heating systems.
- Works for homes with and without ductwork.
- Set it and forget it. ASHPs operate most efficiently without thermostat setbacks.
- Great option when adding or upgrading air conditioning.

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There's no question whether customers are going to reap the benefits—these units have proven their efficiency over electric baseboard and propane.

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HEAT WITH COLD CLIMATE ASHPS When a customer wants to use an ASHP as their primary heating system, install a cold-climate ASHP and ensure back-up heating is operational.

#### What makes it a ccASHP?

- Variable capacity (inverter) compressor
- Coefficient of performance (COP) at 5°F ≥ 1.75 at maximum capacity
- Heating season performance factor (HSPF)  $\ge$  9 (ductless) or  $\ge$  10 (ducted)
- Sized to meet 100% of the home's heating load at outdoor temperatures  $\leq$  10°F

Source: Northwest Energy Efficiency Alliance and Center for Energy and Environment

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CleanEnergyResourceTeams.org/ASHP