



## St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program Phase 1 Homeowner Application Information Sheet

The St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program is offering rebates valued up to \$4,000 for woodstove changeouts in the St. Maries area (Figure 1). Wood-burning appliances that are not US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) certified or are more than 20 years old will be replaced with new EPA-certified freestanding woodstoves and inserts; new EPA-certified wood pellet freestanding stoves and inserts; or propane and natural gas heating appliances.

To qualify for a rebate, the homeowner must complete the homeowner application. Only homeowners are eligible for rebates. If the residence is a rental, the homeowner must also submit a completed and signed Homeowner/Tenant Agreement to participate in the changeout program.

Applications will be accepted for the first phase of the program from July 1 through July 15. Applications will be processed in the order received. For this phase of the program only households within the program boundaries (Figure 1) will be considered for a changeout.

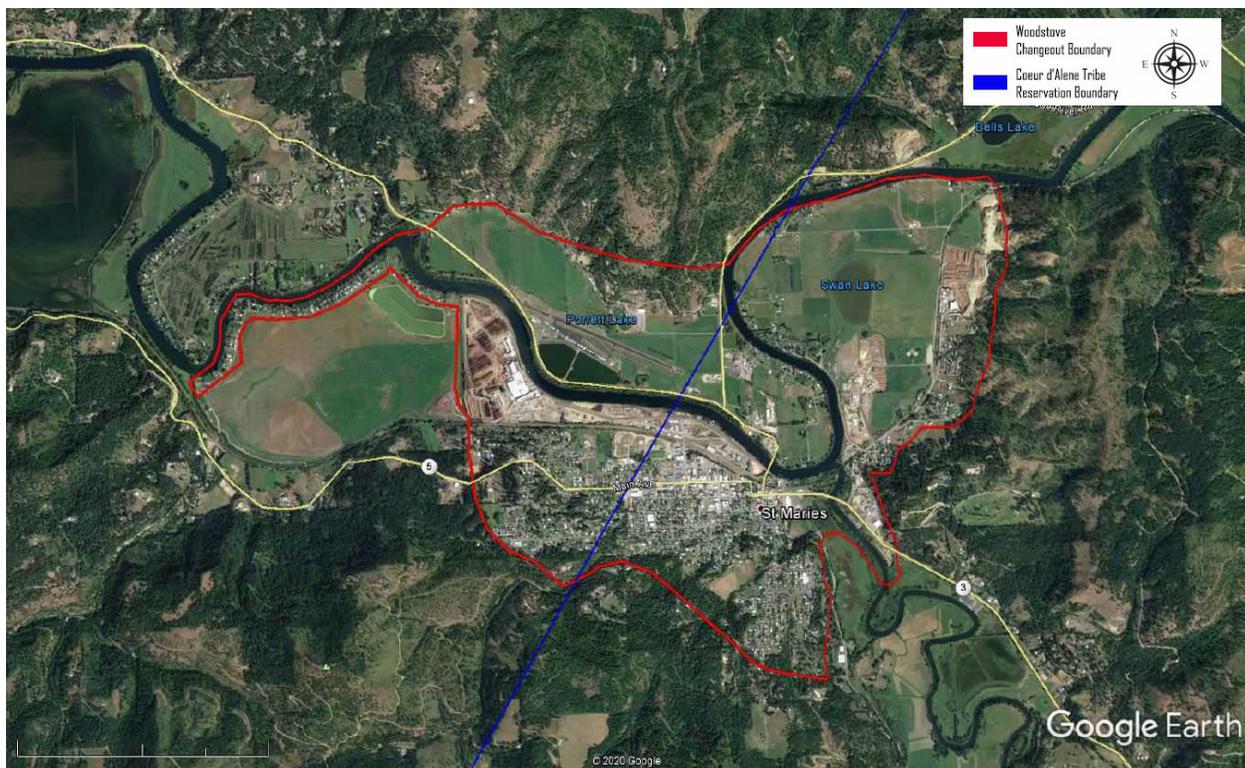


Figure 1. St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program.

For this phase, priority will be given to low income households. Funding is limited and **not** guaranteed. If you have questions, call the Coeur d'Alene Regional Office at (208) 769-1422 or email [Ralph.Paul@deq.idaho.gov](mailto:Ralph.Paul@deq.idaho.gov).

Homeowners must provide photos of their existing heating appliance **before** removal in addition to the completed application. Photos must show the following:

- Front view of existing wood-heating appliance (insert and freestanding)
- Current EPA certification tag (if present)
- Name plate (model) (if present)

If it is difficult to access the back of a woodstove or pellet insert to get photos and determine the EPA certification, manufacture date, and name plate (model), contact DEQ for assistance.

Completed applications must be signed by the homeowner and emailed or mailed to DEQ's Coeur d'Alene Regional Office at the address listed on the application form. Emailed applications are preferred. Qualified homeowners will receive a rebate redeemable for up to the maximum of \$4,000 through a participating vendor.

Homeowners qualify for a low-income rebate if they have a household income below 200% of the US Department of Health and Human Services Poverty Guidelines. Table 2 shows the low-income guidelines based on the 2020 Federal Poverty Guidelines. These guidelines are updated annually. Qualification of low-income status for this program will be based on the current Federal Poverty Guidelines at the time of the application.

**Table 2. St. Maries Woodstove Changeout Program low-income guidelines—2020.**

Household/Family Size	Annual Income (\$) <sup>a</sup>	Monthly Income (\$) <sup>b</sup>
1	25,520	2,126
2	34,480	2,873
3	43,440	3,620
4	52,400	4,366
5	61,360	5,133
6	70,320	5,860
7	79,280	6,606
8	88,240	7,353

a. For families with more than 8 persons, add \$4,480 for each additional person for annual income.

b. For families with more than 8 persons, add \$373 for each additional person for monthly.

Homeowners who apply and are approved to receive a rebate for a new qualifying heating appliance through this program will choose a participating vendor from DEQ's approved Participating Vendor List. No self-installations are allowed under this program. If the homeowner wishes to use a vendor not currently on the list, the vendor must submit an application to DEQ to become a participating vendor before the homeowner purchases the device. Homeowners work directly with a participating vendor to remove their existing wood- or pellet-heating appliance and install the new qualifying heating appliance. After installation, DEQ will reimburse the participating vendor for each issued rebate once the homeowner signs the invoice cover sheet, attesting the appliance has been installed and is functioning.