



The Wave

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CLIMATE ACTION PLAN UPDATE

In July, the community participation phase of the Climate Action Plan was in full swing. Approximately 150 individuals participated in pop-up events and focus groups around town, and another 40 joined the July 29 workshop at the library. The Action Plan team has moved into its final phase. Beginning in the fall, the action plan will be drafted and made available for public comment. That public input will be reviewed and used to make changes to the Plan, before it is finalized early in 2026. Look for your opportunity to comment on the draft in the fall! For more information:

<https://www.capecodcommission.org/our-work/eastham-c-ap/>

WORRIED ABOUT INCENTIVES?

Federal tax credits and rebates for residential green energy are going away at the end of 2025. But there are still great options for acquiring solar, heat pumps, batteries and more.

- If you are ready to act immediately, while federal incentives remain, MassCEC has a great [tool for finding local installers](#).
- Massachusetts will still offer many incentives in 2026. Details are at this [MA website](#).
Highlights:
 - Heat Pumps - rebates up to \$25,000
 - Solar Panels - tax credit for up to \$1,000
 - EVs - \$3,500 on approved purchases
 - Battery - get paid to change peak hours use
 - Financing - [0% loans](#) for qualifying applicants
- Our Eastham committee will be conducting a workshop in early November to provide an update on what's changing and how you can still save money on energy needs

DID YOU KNOW THAT...?



The ECAC released a [new guide to heat pumps](#). If your furnace is getting old and you want to make your home healthier, this very concise guide is for you. Using information specific to Eastham, it shows how heat pumps run cleaner and [can be less expensive](#) than the alternatives.

OUR RECYCLING PARTNERS



The ECAC has a long-standing partnership with the town Recycling Committee. Their composting and other programs are important parts of the overall effort to manage climate change. Get news, tips, and updates by joining the Recycling Committee's e-blast list! Request at recyclingcommittee@eastham-ma.gov

CALENDAR

Sept 5-7: Windmill Weekend

Sept 8, Oct 20: ECAC Meetings - public is welcome!

Nov (date tbd): Workshop: Residential Green Energy After 2025

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