



## Golden and District Wood Smoke Reduction Program Details

*The Wood Stove Exchange Air Quality Rebate Program is administered by Wildsight Golden for the purpose of improving local air quality and reducing greenhouse gas pollution. It is supported by grant funding from the BC Ministry of Environment and Climate Change.*

Between June 1, 2023 and December 31, 2023 residents of Golden/CSRD Area A who heat with an older wood stove can apply for a rebate to install an electric heat pump, wood pellet stove or new \*CSA/EPA (2020) certified wood stove. Wildsight Golden is partnering with **Kardash Plumbing and Heating** and **Parky's Heating and Cooling** to offer this program. All new appliances must be purchased and installed by either of these participating retailers in order to qualify for the rebate.

The rebates are as follows:

**\*\*Heat pump-** \$1500

**\*\*\*Wood Pellet Stove-** \$1000

**\*\*\*CSA/EPA certified wood stove-** \$600

\*CSA/EPA certified means that the wood stove meets certain requirements for air pollution reduction and cleaner burning fuel standards.

\*\*If you are applying for a rebate for a heat pump, ***you are permitted*** to keep your old wood stove as a backup heat source when the power goes out or when it gets too cold. Different models of heat pumps work well at different temperatures. Talk to your local retailer for more information. ***If you install a heat pump you are allowed to keep your old wood stove even if it is not CSA/EPA certified.*** However, if you decide to get rid of your old wood stove you can qualify for an **additional \$300 bounty**. Rebates for heat pumps can be combined with federal rebates for heat pumps through the **Greener Homes Grant**. You will also need to sign a pledge stating that you will only use your wood stove when the power goes out or when it gets too cold that your heat pump does not provide adequate heat.

\*\*\*If you are purchasing a wood pellet stove or CSA/EPA certified wood stove, you will qualify for a rebate only if your old wood stove ***is not CSA/EPA certified.*** Your old wood stove will also have to be destroyed and cannot be reused. You must take photos of the old wood stove in place ***before removal*** as well as photos of the new stove after it has been installed and submit these with your application for a rebate.

# Golden and District Wood Smoke Reduction Program Voucher

**Voucher #**

(\*\*\* Both sides must be completed in full to be eligible for a rebate – Please Print Clearly)

Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ and/or Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Street Address **and** Mailing Address – (cheques are mailed)

Town of Golden

CSRD Area A

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**To install a new wood stove, residents of the Town of Golden must have a building permit issued by the Town Building Official.** Building Permit # \_\_\_\_\_

## Declaration of a New Installation

Participating Retailer: \_\_\_\_\_ Installer: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ hereby certify that a certified **heat pump** was installed and meets all requirements in accordance with the Electrical Safety Act and all other applicable requirements in accordance with the BC Building Code.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Installer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Trade Certificate #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Or -----

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ hereby certify that a certified solid fuel or pellet appliance was installed at the above residence and meets **EPA 2020 or CSA-B415.1 Emission Standards** and all other applicable requirements in accordance with the BC Building Code.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Installer

\_\_\_\_\_  
WETT Certificate #

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Declaration of Removal and Destruction of an Old Wood Stove

I/We \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ hereby certify that an old non-certified wood burning appliance that was recently in use at the Applicant's address has been decommissioned and properly disposed of in compliance with the Air Quality Rebate Program. If applicant has purchased a heat pump you can write N/A in the text line.

**Please include photos of the old and new wood stoves in place with this application.**

## **"BURN IT SMART" PLEDGE**

*I/we \_\_\_\_\_ pledge to burn our new wood stove as cleanly as possible to minimise smoke emissions to protect the health of our family, our neighbours, and our community. If purchasing a heat pump, I pledge to only use my/our old wood stove when the power goes out or if/when the heat pump stops working efficiently in colder temperatures.*

**Burning wood more efficiently means complete combustion which should produce little to no smoke.**

*Burning smart means always using dry firewood (<20% moisture), burning hot fires, never letting a fire smoulder and smoke, never burning garbage of any kind, and keeping the chimney clean.*

*This will save me money, increase the amount of heat produced per unit fuel, and decrease the risk of chimney fires - further protecting my family and property.*

***Submit your completed application and supporting documentation one of three ways:***

Leave it with the Retailer for submission to Wildsight Golden Community Woodsmoke Reduction Coordinator  
Mail to: Calvin Beauchesne, Community Wood Smoke Reduction Coordinator, PO Box 1063, Golden, V0A 1H0  
Scan and e-mail to: [goldenairquality@wilsight.ca](mailto:goldenairquality@wilsight.ca) Subject line: "Wood Smoke Reduction Application # \_\_\_\_"

**A cheque will be mailed upon receipt of all documentation. Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing.**