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# **Claim Austin Energy Rebates Before They Expire in April 2010**

*Economic stimulus money available to help purchase energy efficient appliances*

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**Austin, TX;** The State Energy Conservation Office (SECO), Austin Energy, Texas Gas Service, and Austin Water are participating in statewide rebate programs allowing Texas residents to save up to 50% on energy efficient appliances by combining rebates. The State of Texas received more than \$23 million in federal stimulus funds from the U.S. Department of Energy to establish and administer an Energy Efficient Appliance Rebate Program.

Funding is limited and reservations must be made starting on April 5th, 2010. The appliances must be purchased between April 16th and April 25th. Some appliances, including water heaters and select air conditioners, also qualify for certain federal tax credits.

The '**Save the Date to Claim Your Rebate**' program and all instructions for claiming your rebate are outlined at <http://www.texaspowerfulsmart.org/rebate/>.

Local Austin, TX realtors Jessica and Joe Honegger of JH Residential are spreading the word about this opportunity to save money, protect the environment, and increase home values. "Whether you are getting your home ready to sell this spring or just have old appliances needing replacement now is the time to take advantage of some amazing rebates", says Joe Honegger.

The husband and wife team offer Central Texans a unique, boutique-style real estate experience and bring combined skills of construction, design, and flipping quality homes to the home buying and selling process. Jessica Honegger urges home owners to prioritize this small but significant action: "Updating appliances may seem like a modest step when optimizing a home for lifestyle design or for resale, but quality appliances can add value by improving the overall presentation of a home and increasing energy efficiency".

According to <http://www.texaspowerfulsmart.org/rebate/faqs.php>, Texas residents with a valid Texas residential address who purchase residential ENERGY STAR® appliances to replace older, functional appliances will be eligible. All rebates will be mailed to the residential address, with no exceptions. Consumers can sign up to receive email alerts about the rebates and meet the registration and purchasing deadlines at

<http://www.texaspowerfulsmart.org/rebate/>

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also: <https://www.austinenergy.com/Energy%20Efficiency/Programs/SECO.htm>