



**Buying a new home means making decisions that will impact your family's day-to-day lives.**



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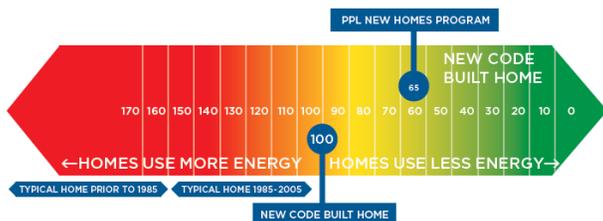
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We've designed a program to take some of the stress out of buying a new home, and provide you with the confidence to make the right choice. Homes are rated under the Home Energy Rating System (HERS) Index, a nationally recognized system for inspecting and calculating a home's energy performance. We are teaming with HERS raters and ENERGY STAR® to help improve your options for purchasing a comfortable and durable home, with lower energy and maintenance costs.

Builders in your area are participating in the PPL New Homes Program to build homes above code or ENERGY STAR standards. This means your home will have more effective insulation, plus efficient and properly installed HVAC equipment, high-performance windows, lighting and appliances.

**When you purchase an above code or ENERGY STAR certified new home, you get a durable, comfortable and energy-efficient house that you'll love calling home.**



## Better for your bank account

Homes participating in the PPL New Homes Program typically use 15-35% less energy than a standard new home, so you will save money on energy bills and maintenance costs while enjoying wall-to-wall comfort. Your energy-efficient home will stand up to the elements in ways that a standard home may not. This could save you thousands of dollars on maintenance costs over the time that you own your home. Future homebuyers will also recognize the value of certification, yielding the potential for a higher resale value for your home.



## Enhanced comfort

Nobody likes sleeping in a bedroom on the top floor that is hot and humid during summer, or sitting in a room that is cold and drafty during the winter. Homes participating in the PPL New Homes Program are built to keep temperature and humidity at optimum levels throughout the house at all times of the year. As an added bonus, the advanced building enclosure insulates your home from unwanted noise, giving you peace and quiet.

## Peace of mind

While it's easy to claim that homes are energy efficient, each new home in the Program must pass a stringent evaluation by an independent, certified home energy rater. This means that your new home will operate optimally for greater durability, better comfort and lower utility bills and maintenance costs, giving you more confidence in your purchase. A home only receives certification after passing a series of stringent inspections and performance testing.



## Benefits of a HERS rating

There are several noticeable benefits to receiving an energy rating, all of which help consumers better understand and appreciate how important home energy efficiency is.

### These benefits include:

- A low HERS score means improved home comfort and reduced energy bills.
- A low HERS score demonstrates how energy-efficient your home is compared to a standard home.
- HERS rated homes enjoy a greater resale value.