Why retrofit your home?

- ✓ Improve comfort
- ✓ Increase energy efficiency
- ✓ Improve air quality
- ✓ Eliminate fossil fuels
- ✓ Increase value of your home

The energy retrofitting process:

01. GET AN ENERGY EVALUATION BY A REGISTERED ENERGY ADVISOR.

Your Energy Advisor will give you a Renovation Upgrade Report—outlining your home's current energy efficiency level and recommending a list of priorities for you to focus on to improve your home's performance and comfort. Find an Energy Advisor at betterhomesbc.ca.

02. START WITH INSULATION, WINDOWS AND DOORS.

The Renovation Upgrade Report will outline a range of improvements that you can choose to make to improve the integrity of your home's building envelope—walls, doors, windows, roof. Recommendations usually start with air tightness and insulation.

03. NEXT, GO ELECTRIC.

Recommendations typically include installing a heat pump and replacing gas stoves. Installing a heat pump is a great way to improve comfort while reducing greenhouse gas pollution. Heat pumps have become extremely efficient even in cold climates and some models can heat a home in temperatures as cold as -30°C. They also cool effectively in the summer. Replacing your gas stove with an electric induction unit makes cooking easier and far more efficient with 90% of energy channeled to the pan resulting in a 70% reduction in energy consumption. It's also really easy to clean and much safer than gas.

04. UPGRADE THE LITTLE (YET IMPORTANT) STUFF.

Consider smart thermostats and other technologies to reduce your energy usage while enjoying a more comfortable and healthy living environment.

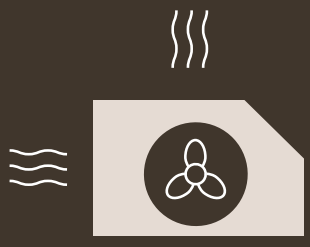
Upgrading Lighting Systems

Adding Insulation

Performing Air Sealing Measures

Upgrading to Smart Thermostats

Updating Heating & Cooling Systems



Replacing Windows & Doors