

Energy Efficiency Advisory Council

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## How an Air Source Heat Pump Works

- An air source heat pump uses the same technology as your window AC unit, your car AC, and your central AC. Except:
  - It can run in reverse to provide both heat and cooling.
  - It uses a cold-climate capable refrigerant.
  - It uses a variable speed compressor and/or refrigerant flow.



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## Application: Air to Air (Ducted forced air and Ductless mini-splits)





#### Application: Air to Water (Water Heating, Radiant Heating)

#### Why Heat Pumps Make Sense

- Heat Pumps:
  - Are Energy Efficient
  - Provide Cost Savings to the Customer
  - They can be controlled by the utility for demand response options
  - Can be cheaper than other systems in new construction
  - Less piping and ductwork
  - Deliver better air quality
  - Long lifetime (20+ years)
  - Have a lower carbon footprint