

# Applying for funding for thermal insulation measures on existing residential buildings

If you are planning to carry out thermal insulation measures on an existing residential building in Bremen or Bremerhaven, you can apply to the state of Bremen for a grant for this.

## Competent Department

- [Die Senatorin für Umwelt, Klima und Wissenschaft | Referat 41: Wärmewende](#)

## Basic information

To protect the climate and because of the finite nature of fossil fuels, the state of Bremen is promoting the implementation of thermal insulation measures on existing residential buildings. The aim is to significantly reduce the heating energy requirements of these buildings on a permanent basis. The funding is provided as project funding in the form of a grant.

Funding is available for:

- Insulation of exterior walls, basement ceilings and roofs and attics,
- Highly insulating windows,
- Hydraulic balancing of the heating system,,
- Environmentally friendly insulation materials and coatings for the external thermal insulation composite system.

In addition, building applicants who carry out several renovation measures on their building at the same time or join forces with neighbors to insulate their adjoining building exterior walls and roofs will be additionally rewarded with a financial bonus.

The expanded funding spectrum makes energy-efficient residential building refurbishment even more attractive, as the Bremen funding can be claimed alongside the federal funding offered by the Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW) with its "Energy-efficient refurbishment" grant and loan programs

## Requirements

Funding is provided for measures on buildings and on owner-occupied apartments that:

- are located in the state of Bremen,
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- were built before January 1, 1995,
- are used in whole or in part for residential purposes,
- have a maximum of 12 residential units.

Private individuals are eligible to apply as building/apartment owners or other persons entitled to dispose of property (e.g. heritable building rights).

Projects can only be funded if they have not yet been started before receipt of the notice of approval. A project is considered to have begun as soon as the corresponding supply and service contracts have been concluded, with the exception of the planning required for project preparation and description - obtaining cost estimates is not considered to be the beginning of the project.

In addition to these general requirements, certain technical requirements must be fulfilled, which can be found in the attached funding guideline and the implementing provisions issued for this purpose

### **What documents do I need?**

- completed application form
- Area calculation for the promotion of thermal insulation

using an Excel table

## **Procedure**

The Senator for Climate Protection, Environment, Mobility, Urban Development and Housing (granting agency) has commissioned "Bremer Modernisieren - BreMo GbR" to process the grant applications. The attached application form for your project must be completed in full, signed and sent to the following addresses:

For projects in the city of Bremen:

Bremer Modernisieren - BreMo GbR  
P.O. Box 10 72 25  
28072 Bremen

Tel. 0421 - 835888-22  
Tue to Thu from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
E-mail: [bremen@bremono.info](mailto:bremen@bremono.info)

For projects in the city of Bremerhaven:

Bremer Modernisieren - BreMo GbR  
Lange Str. 6  
26316 Varel

Tel. 0471 - 95 89 100  
Tue to Thu from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
E-mail: bremerhaven@bremo.info

After a positive review of the funding application, the applicant receives a notification of funding from the Senator for the Environment, Construction and Transport. The project may only be started after receipt of the notification of funding.

## Legal bases

- [BremKEG - Vierter Abschnitt Förderung von Maßnahmen zur Einsparung von Energie und zur Nutzung erneuerbarer Energien](#)

## More information

Some of the funding is a square-meter-related subsidy. A calculation of the areas to be insulated and a dimensioned drawing/sketch of the building areas must therefore be enclosed with the grant application. An Excel spreadsheet is available in the appendix for calculating the areas to be insulated. Alternatively, a self-prepared table can be used, provided that the calculation process remains comprehensible on the basis of the drawing/sketch to be submitted.

There is no legal entitlement to a grant. The granting authority decides on the basis of its dutiful discretion within the framework of the available budget/subsidy funds.

In accordance with Section 5 of the Act on the Enforcement of a Minimum Wage in Bremen (State Minimum Wage Act) of July 17, 2012 (Brem.GBl. p. 300), which came into force on September 01, 2012, the Free Hanseatic City of Bremen and the municipalities of Bremen and Bremerhaven only grant subsidies if the recipients undertake to pay their employees at least the statutory minimum wage of currently €11.13 (gross) per hour worked.

## What deadlines must be paid attention to?

The project must be completed within 13 months of receipt of the funding decision. The proof of use of the implemented project must be submitted to the project management organization no later than 6 months after completion of the measure.

## **How long does it take to process**

Maximum 2 weeks after submission of the complete application documents.