FAQ:

Am I eligible for the program?

You're eligible for the program if your current appliance is one of the following:

- Homemade stove
- Barrel stove
- Free-standing non-EPA/CSA certified stove
- A non-EPA/CSA certified "wood furnace" (ducted, forced-air, home-heating appliance).
- An "airtight" non-EPA/CSA certified fireplace insert or tube-type heat exchanger with a face plate and door (like the 'Free Heat Machine' or Welenco) that is installed in an open-hearth fireplace
- A wood-burning cook stove

How much is the rebate?

Rebates will cover the cost of the appliance and any additional costs (installation, materials etc.) to a maximum of the following:

- CSA/EPA approved wood stove replacement - $1,250
- Pellet stove, propane appliance, or electric heat pump replacement - $2,500

Each replacement is eligible for an additional $130 (maximum) towards permit/inspection fees.

How do I apply?

Please visit the Village website at www.valemount.ca/grants for an application and more information on the program.

Can I keep/reuse my old stove?

No. The old appliance must be decommissioned as outlined on the application form and delivered to the Public Works yard for disposal.

What if I can't participate in the program?

If you have a wood stove but are unable to participate in the program, there are many ways you can help to reduce smoke and improve air quality. Please see the wood burning tips on the second page.

Wood Burning

What you need to know!

- Split, stack, cover, and store wood for at least 6 months prior to use to ensure your wood is dry
- Use a moisture meter to check that wood has a moisture content of 20% or less
- Ensure your wood is cut to the correct length and split into piece 4” to 6” in diameter
- Maintain your chimney and wood burning appliance so it burns clean and is safe
- Build small, hot fires. Hot fires produce less smoke.
- **DO NOT** burn garbage or treated woods
- Use an efficient CSA or EPA certified wood stove
- Don't burn during an air quality advisory (if you have another source of heat)

Wood smoke causes a wide range of short and long-term health problems, including:

- Heart disease
- Lung disease
- Stroke
- Diabetes
- Premature birth and low birth weight
- Neurological disease

Good News: Even small improvements in air quality can have a large impact on health.

Burn the right wood, the right way, in the right appliance and DO NOT burn garbage.

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