

Is the elephant in the room... your furnace?

Extend its lifespan

with regular maintenance and care. Change filters regularly. System pushing 15 years old? Consider getting the ducts and system cleaned and inspected.

Go to <https://www.seerenergysavings.com/afue-savings-calculator/> to **evaluate savings** when considering replacements for your system.

Find qualified technicians for quotes now.

Look for experience in sizing and installing units correctly. Cold climate heat pumps do work here and an HVAC professional shouldn't talk you out of it, if it's what you want.

Heat source quit on the coldest day? Check out Los Alamos Emergency Management's Winter Preparedness Tips and Weather Emergencies pages for staying warm:

- Safely use a space heater or fireplace.
- Insulate against outside air and reduce the space needed to heat.
- Dress warmly, keep moving, and stay fed.

Commit now to a replacement plan.

Start to budget and save for a new system. The Inflation Reduction Act could provide between \$2000 and \$8000 toward the cost of a heat pump system. <https://www.rewiringamerica.org/app/ira-calculator/information/heat-pump-air-conditioner-heater>

Reduce and stabilize heating demand

for spaces first. This includes insulating where heat is lost (attics and crawlspaces) and making sure doors and windows seal properly.

Sweating for AC?

A heat pump does heating and cooling so you don't have to maintain separate units.