

CHALLENGE HOME STORY

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The DOE Challenge Home Story

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Challenge Home label is the symbol of excellence in home building. Every Challenge Home offers a cost-effective, high performance package of energy savings, comfort, health, and durability unparalleled in today's marketplace. The home of the future is available to you **today** if you make sure it's a Challenge Home.

Exclusive

Only the top one percent of builders in the country meet the extraordinary levels of excellence and quality specified by U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) guidelines.

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HOMF

Feel great knowing you chose a select home from a select builder.

Acme Homes

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Tech-Savvy

Every DOE Challenge Home starts with a solid building science foundation specified by ENERGY STAR for Homes, and then adds advanced technologies and practices from DOE's world-class research program, Building America.

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Look proven innovations that work better.

Visionary



Every DOE Challenge Home embraces a unique opportunity during design and construction to meet and exceed forthcoming code requirements. In addition, look for important details that can save \$1,000's installing a solar system down the road.

Rest assured that your largest investment will meet future expectations.

Ultra-Efficient

Every DOE Challenge Home is so energy efficient, a small solar electric system can easily offset most, or all, of your utility bills. We call this **Zero Net-Energy Ready**.

Never worry about rapidly increasing utility costs.

U.S. Department of Energy Challenge Home



Superior insulation, windows, air sealing and space conditioning systems included in every DOE Challenge Home surround you with even temperatures, low-humidity, and quiet in every room on every floor.

You have to experience a high-performance home to appreciate the difference.

Comfort-Plus

Healthful

The same way we want nutritious food on our plates, we want healthy air in our homes. Every DOE Challenge Home has a comprehensive package of measures that minimize dangerous pollutants, provide continuous fresh air, and effectively filter the air you breathe.

You and your family can breathe better.



Quality-Built

Advanced construction practices and technologies are specified for every DOE Challenge Home. Then they are rigorously enforced by independent verifiers with detailed checklists and diagnostics.

PERFORMANCE

Good

Poor

Excellent 🗹

Average 🗌

Now you can hold your home to a higher standard.

Enduring



The advanced levels of energy savings, comfort, health, durability, quality and future performance in every DOE Challenge Home will never go out of style. Instead, they provide value that will stand the test of time.

Live life in a home built to last.

Exclusive **Tech-Savvy** Visionary **Ultra-Efficient Comfort-Plus** Healthful **Quality-Built** Enduring



Look for the label that delivers the future of housing today.

To learn more, visit the Challenge Home website at www.buildings.energy.gov/challenge





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