

### **Revised Energy Efficiency Goals for 2015 Applications**

The development meets/will meet Passive House certification requirements (nationally or internationally) for energy efficiency as described below. (See [www.passivehouse.us](http://www.passivehouse.us) or [www.passivehouseacademy.com](http://www.passivehouseacademy.com) for additional guidance.)

To qualify for these points, the applicant must contract with a Certified Passive House Consultant or a Certified Passive House Designer who will certify the proposal at the time of application to PHFA. This certification shall be based on a completed Passive House Planning Package (PHPP) which shall be based on schematic drawings and specifications, discussions, assumptions and cost estimates agreed to by the development team (developer, architect, engineer, contractor, energy rater, Passive House consultant). Submission of the PHPP to a Passive House certifying agency is not required at the time of application submission to PHFA. The PHPP shall be accompanied by a brief description of the assumptions made (wall/floor/roof construction, insulation levels, mechanical systems, windows, renewable energy systems, etc.). The Passive House consultant/designer shall provide a copy of their Passive House certification and a list of previous experience in Passive House projects, including contact persons and contact information. After awards of PennHOMES funds and/or tax credits have been made, all successful applicants will be required to get a pre-certification from PHIUS or Passive House Academy under the normal time frame and procedures, and forward this to PHFA as part of the Design Development drawing & specification submission. At construction completion, all third party test results and verifications required by Passive House, including blower door testing and commissioning reports, must be submitted to PHFA. All third party consultants must be Passive House certified. Final Passive House certification from PHIUS or the Passive House Academy is not required.