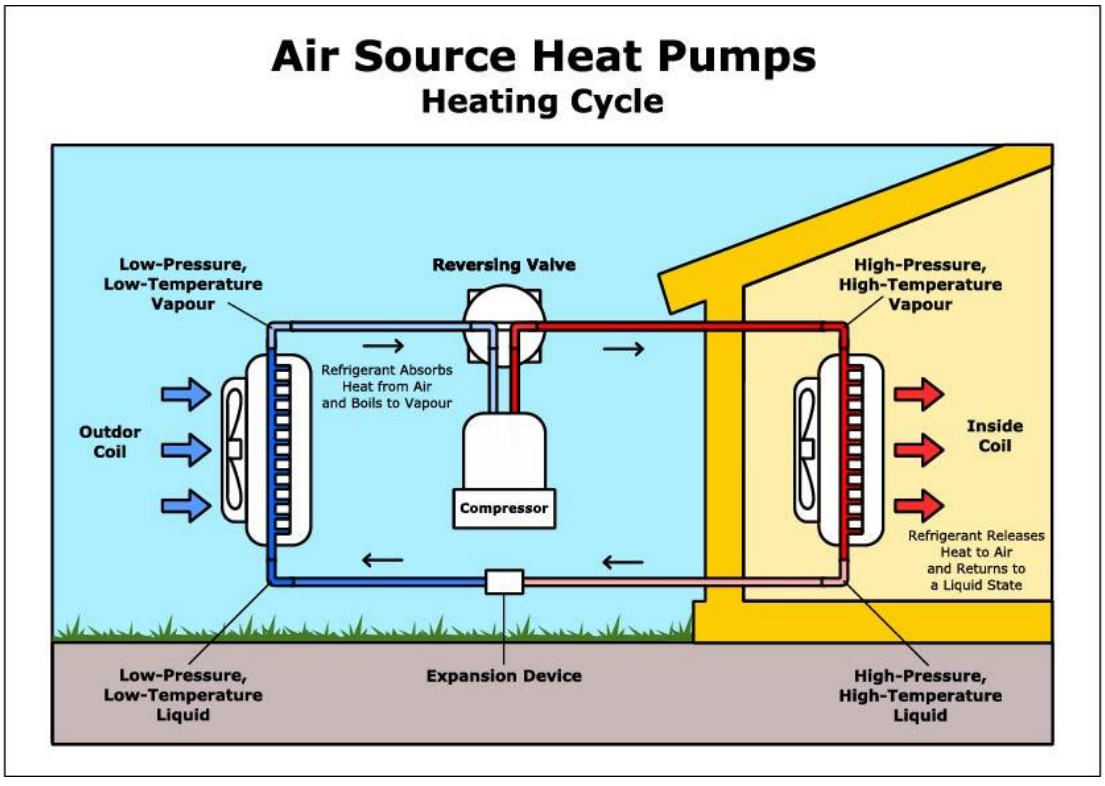
# Heat Pumps:  Good for Copake and Good for the Planet!

The Town of Copake and the Climate Smart Task Force are partnering with NYSERDA (New York State Energy Research and Development Authority) in a Clean Heating and Cooling Campaign to promote the efficient use of electrical energy.  Clean heating and cooling technologies, such as ground and air sourced heat pumps, and heat pump water heaters, can lower your energy bill and reduce the effects of harmful greenhouse gases.  And the good news just gets better!  When residents of Copake install heat pumps, they are helping the Town earn grant funding that can be used to make Copake an even more earth-friendly and energy-efficient place to live, work and thrive.

The Clean Heating and Cooling Campaign is simple!  Residents can use any licensed contractor to install a heat pump.  When five residents or businesses install heat pumps, Copake will earn a $5000 dollar grant that can be used to fund additional energy efficiency projects.  If an additional 10 Copake residents or businesses install heat pumps, the Town earns a second grant in the amount of $10,000.  Add 15 more (a total of 30 homes or businesses), and Copake could reach the top tier of the campaign and receive a third grant in the amount of $20,000!

If you are planning to install a heat pump, or if you installed a heat pump in 2023 or 2024, please let us know by emailing the Copake Conservation Advisory Committee at cac@townofcopake.org.  All we will need is the name of the property owner, the address of the home or business where the heat pump was installed, the name of licensed installer, and the date of installation.  With your help Copake's Clean Heating and Cooling Campaign will be a great success.

If you would like more information about clean energy, including heat pump technologies, please visit the Regional Clean Energy Hub.