


New Jersey Weatherization Assistance Program

Funding and Program Overview




Weatherization

- The Weatherization Assistance Program is administered by the Department of Community Affairs
 - Funding is received from:
 - The US Department of Energy
 - The US Department of Health and Human Services
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Weatherization Tactics

- Blower door guided air sealing
 - Insulation
 - Heating system upgrades
 - Electric base load measures
 - Refrigerator replacement
 - Window and door repair & replacement
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Eligible Dwelling Units

- Single family homes, owner occupied and renters
 - Mobile Homes
 - Multi-family dwellings with contributions from investment landlords
 - Priority is given to single-family owner occupied
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Leveraging Requirements

- Landlords that are not low-income must make a monetary contribution
 - All of the funds received from the landlord must be expended on the installation measures
 - The percentage of contribution is from 25% - 50% of the total cost
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Leveraging Continued

- Agencies can negotiate with landlords to determine what tactics will be paid for with the leveraged funds.
 - Leveraging results increased effectiveness by installing more of the recommended measures including items not on the DOE material list.
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Weatherization Eligibility

- Households with gross annual income not exceeding 200% of poverty
 - Households including a member receiving SSI
 - Households that were weatherized before September 30, 1994
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Weatherization Methodology

- Community based organizations receive grants from DCA
 - The CBO utilizes crew labor or hires contractors
 - The definition of an eligible contractor and the selection process is being updated
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Weatherization Tactics

- Measures to be installed are determined by using:
 - A DOE approved energy Audit
 - A Doe approved priority list of measures
 - An auditor's finding of a health and safety issue that can be addressed with DOE funds
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The Application Process

- There is a single application for:
 - Weatherization
 - Home Energy Assistance
 - USF
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Weatherization Funding

- 2009 DOE Annual Grant
 - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) 2009-2012
 - LIHEAP Annual Grant
 - LIHEAP Heating System Grant
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ARRA Subgrantees

- Community Action Agencies
 - Community Based Organizations
 - Local Government
 - HMFA
 - Department of Labor
 - NJ Community Action Association
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Contractors

- Contractors must meet minimum requirements to be a responsible contractor
 - Insurance, Bonding
 - Experience with references
 - Training
 - Davis Bacon compliant
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Job Creation

- Weatherization crew worker
 - Community Outreach Worker
 - Contractor crew worker
 - Support staff
 - Management
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Small Business Development

- Minority and Women owned business
 - Expansion of existing small businesses
 - Creation of new small businesses
 - Weatherization trainers
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Program Goals

- To reduce the energy burden and increase health and safety of income eligible households with emphasis on the elderly, disabled, and households with children under the age of six years old.
 - Create new jobs and opportunity for business growth and development
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