

# Florida Department of Community Affairs

## WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The Weatherization Assistance Program annually provides grant funds to community action agencies, local governments, Indian tribes and non-profit agencies to provide specific program services for low-income families of Florida. These entities provide program services throughout the state.

**MISSION:** The mission of the program is to reduce the monthly energy burden on low-income households by improving the energy efficiency of the home.

**FUNDING:** The program is funded each year by the U.S. Department of Energy and receives supplemental funding from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The extent of services to be provided depends on available fund-

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:** For the Weatherization Assistance Program, the total household income may not be more than 200 percent of the national poverty level. Preference is given to owner-occupied homes, elderly (60 years-plus) or physically disabled residents, families with children under 12 and households with a high energy burden (repeated high utility bills).

### TYPES OF ASSISTANCE

- Address air infiltration with weather stripping, caulking, thresholds, minor repairs to walls, ceilings and floors, and window and door replacement
- Install attic and floor insulation (floors in northern climates only)
- Install attic ventilation
- Apply solar reflective coating to manufactured homes
- Install Solar Screens
- Repair or replace inefficient heating and cooling units
- Repair or replace water heaters

### WEATHERIZATION FACTS

- Low-Income families pay an average of 18 percent of their annual income for energy, compared with 5 percent for other households
- The average energy expenditure in low-income households is \$1,871 annually
- As estimated by the U.S. Department of Energy, these services save the weatherization customers an average of \$413 annually and return an average of \$2.72 in energy and non-energy related benefits for every dollar invested

2009-2010 Household Income Guidelines	
Number of People in Household	Maximum Annual Household Income
1	\$21,660
2	\$29,140
3	\$36,620
4	\$44,100
5	\$51,580
6	\$59,060
7	\$66,540
8	\$74,020
For each additional member of the household add \$7,480	

### WHERE TO APPLY FOR ASSISTANCE

To find out where to apply for assistance in your county, you may visit the Department of Community Affairs website at:

[www.FloridaCommunityDevelopment.org/WAP](http://www.FloridaCommunityDevelopment.org/WAP)

Click on the "Community Assistance Local Programs and Contact List." From the list, choose the county in which you live. The contact agency providing assistance through these programs is indicated by "WAP-WAP/LIHEAP."

You may also contact the Community Assistance Section at:

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Division of Housing and Community Development  
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