

## WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** The Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) annually offers grant funds to community action agencies, local governments and non-profit agencies to provide specific program services for low-income families of Florida. Program services are available statewide.

**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 funding.

**ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**: To qualify 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
- 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
  - \*(Contingent upon available funding)

## **WEATHERIZATION FACTS**

 Low-Income families pay an average of 18 percent of their annual income for energy, compared with 5 percent for other households

2018-2019 Household Income Guidelines	
Number of People in Household	Maximum Annual Household Income
1	\$24,280
2	\$32,920
3	\$41,560
4	\$50,200
5	\$58,840
6	\$67,480
7	\$76,120
8	\$82,640
For household with more than 8 persons add \$8,640 (Effective 1/13/18)	

- 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 \$2.51 in energy and non-energy related benefits for every dollar invested.

For more information or where to apply for services in your county, contact the:

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