

## REDUCE ENERGY BILLS AND SAVE MONEY.

Reduces energy costs for low-income families by improving the efficiency of their homes.



- High energy costs are an excessive burden on low-income families.
- By lowering energy bills for low-income families, weatherization increases their self-sufficiency.
- Weatherization measures are delivered to single-family homes, multi-family dwellings and mobile homes.
- The Weatherization Assistance Program does not offer assistance with paying utility bills, but instead aims to reduce the overall cost and energy of heating and cooling

## SAVE ENERGY, SAFEGUARD HEALTH AND SAFETY.

Agencies install cost-effective measures to reduce home energy consumption in hot and cold climates.



- Weatherization technicians use energy audits to determine which energy efficiency measures are most appropriate and cost-effective for each home.
- Typical measures include installing insulation, reducing air leakage, performing tune-ups and repairs to heating and cooling systems, and replacing incandescent lighting with energy-efficient bulbs.
- Weatherization crews also address energy-related health and safety conditions, particularly carbon monoxide and combustion safety.

## HOW TO APPLY?

Find your local weatherization service provider at [dhcd.virginia.gov/wx](https://dhcd.virginia.gov/wx). Once you fill out an application with your local service provider, you will be required to provide the following information:

- Proof of income to determine if your household qualifies
- Verification of home ownership or landlord approval
- Number of household members, including elderly, children or persons with disabilities
- Copies of utility bills



*"It is amazing how this home holds the heat and cool air in! I am so blessed and pleased with the weatherization. I have noticed that in the coldest times of the year, the savings is approximately \$150 less per month, and I get the same savings in the hot weather, too!"*

# WHAT IS THE WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM?

The Weatherization Assistance Program began in 1976 as a way to combat high energy bills for America's most vulnerable citizens. Over the years, the program has grown and is now available in all 50 states and U.S. territories. The U.S. Department of Energy grants funding to DHCD, which then contracts with local agencies to deliver weatherization services to eligible residents in every part of the commonwealth.

The Weatherization Assistance Program qualification is income-based and gives priority to the elderly, people with disabilities and families with children.



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energy efficiency services to  
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