Weatherization and the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

Reducing Energy Consumption, Making Homes More Energy Efficient, and Promoting Healthy Indoor Environments

LIHEAP WEATHERIZATION OVERVIEW

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program helps individuals and families maintain safe and healthy indoor temperatures by providing critical energy assistance services. In addition to helping with heating and cooling bills and preventing home energy shutoffs, LIHEAP can be used to provide residential weatherization or other energy-related home repairs[1].

LIHEAP weatherization funds are commonly used on:
- home energy audits
- insulation
- major appliance replacements (e.g., heating/cooling systems and water tanks)
- doors and windows
- energy efficient upgrades
- other energy-related minor repairs

Each federal fiscal year (FY), LIHEAP grant recipients may obligate up to 15 percent of funds for LIHEAP weatherization services, or up to 25 percent with an approval of a waiver request from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

1 Weatherization cannot involve the purchase of land or major construction.

Did you know?

The U.S. Department of Energy regulations allow weatherization grant recipients to make LIHEAP eligible households automatically income eligible for weatherization services.

To streamline the eligibility process and reduce the burden on households, LIHEAP grant recipients may decide to use either LIHEAP weatherization rules or the U.S. Department of Energy, Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) rules.

For additional information visit LIHEAP for weatherization and Plan Summaries | LIHEAP FY23 Data Dashboard (arcgis.com).

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