

Program #25121 - Weatherization

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Department: County Human Services **Program Contact:** Rose-Ellen Bak

Program Offer Type: Existing Operating Program Program Offer Stage: As Proposed

Related Programs:

Program Characteristics:

Executive Summary

The Weatherization program provides energy use audits, weatherization, furnace repair and replacement, and appliance replacement to fixed and low-income households. County staff and vendors provide services. In FY15, an estimated 70,000 households were income eligible for service; of those, 433 were served.

Program Summary

The Weatherization program provided repair and appliance replacement to approximately 433 households in FY15. Services are primarily tax and ratepayer funded by the state and federal government. According to an Oregon Housing and Community Services study, services create \$1.78 of economic activity within the county for every \$1 invested in Weatherization services.

Weatherization contributes to reducing the number of households living in poverty by increasing household self-sufficiency and improving local economic conditions through energy conservation. Energy costs disproportionately affect low-income households. The Department of Energy (DOE) estimates low-income households pay an average of 13% of their income for energy expenses compared with 5% for the average household. In some fixed income households, energy costs can reach as high as 35% of total monthly expenses. DOE estimates households whose homes are weatherized save an average \$274 annually in energy costs.

The Weatherization program provides jobs for local contractors and revenue for businesses that supply materials, and indirectly creates another 1.25 jobs in Oregon for every administrative position funded. National research indicates that weatherization of homes has multiple "non-energy related" benefits including affordable housing preservation, regional energy conservation, long-term home improvement, safer housing conditions, and improved physical health. Studies show that Weatherization services increase household property values, maintain affordable housing, and improve the environment through reduced consumption of fossil fuels.

Performance Measures								
Measure Type	Primary Measure	FY15 Actual	FY16 Purchased	FY16 Estimate	FY17 Offer			
Output	Number of households served	433	500	500	500			
Outcome	Number of affordable housing units maintained for 10 vears	570	570	570	570			

Performance Measures Descriptions

Weatherization of multi-family buildings requires commitment to a minimum 10 years of affordability. While numbers of units weatherized fluctuate based on funding availability and specific project costs, it's one of the best ways to preserve and improve the quality of current affordable housing stock.

Revenue/Expense Detail

	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds	Proposed General Fund	Proposed Other Funds
Program Expenses	2016	2016	2017	2017
Personnel	\$0	\$722,075	\$0	\$753,503
Contractual Services	\$0	\$2,256,877	\$0	\$2,601,144
Materials & Supplies	\$0	\$367,013	\$0	\$235,882
Internal Services	\$0	\$408,339	\$0	\$363,341
Total GF/non-GF	\$0	\$3,754,304	\$0	\$3,953,870
Program Total:	\$3,754,304		\$3,953,870	
Program FTE	0.00	8.50	0.00	8.50

Program Revenues								
Indirect for Dept. Admin	\$142,602	\$0	\$45,512	\$0				
Intergovernmental	\$0	\$3,336,615	\$0	\$3,393,970				
Other / Miscellaneous	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	\$339,900				
Beginning Working Capital	\$0	\$217,689	\$0	\$220,000				
Total Revenue	\$142,602	\$3,754,304	\$45,512	\$3,953,870				

Explanation of Revenues

\$2,164,684 - OHCSD ECHO (SB1149) based on current grant award; \$732,013 - OHCSD LIEAP Weatherization based on current grant award; \$339,900 - County Weatherization rebates based on current revenues; \$298,746 - OHCSD DOE Weatherization based on current grant award; \$220,000 - Beginning Working Capital; \$80,000 - PDX Water and Sewer D/A; \$60,000 - PDX Water and Sewer FR; \$38,527 - LIEAP Client Education based on current grant award; \$20,000 - Energy Conservation show rebates

Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2016: 25121-16 Weatherization