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## **Save on heating bills with free weatherization services**

*County offers energy-efficiency improvements for eligible households*

**Littleton, Colo.** — With winter fast approaching, it's not too late for residents to take advantage of a free county program that can help make their household more energy-efficient and cut down the heating bills this season.

The Arapahoe County Weatherization Division, in partnership with the Governor's Energy Office, offers free year-round energy audits and household weatherization services to low-income residents of both Arapahoe and Adams Counties.

Weatherization involves installing conservation measures to achieve long-term energy efficiency in a home. After conducting a free energy audit, a qualified crew will provide selected weatherization services, such as: sealing major air leaks, adding insulation to attics, walls and crawl spaces; performing health and safety tests on furnaces and water heaters; making necessary repairs to furnaces and water heaters; and installing high-efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs, all at no cost.

"Families whose homes have been weatherized report up to a 30 percent reduction in energy use, as well as a significant improvement in the comfort of their home during changing seasons" said Arapahoe County Commissioner Jim Dyer "We encourage more qualified families to apply for weatherization services and benefit from these energy and cost-savings."

The program can serve single-family homes, mobile homes and multi-family units up to a four-plex. You may rent or own your residence. Eligible households must meet annual income guidelines (\$21,660 annual gross for a one-person household, plus \$7,480 for each additional household member). If you receive benefits from any of the following programs, you automatically qualify for free weatherization services: Colorado Works (TANF), Aid to the Needy Disabled, Old Age Pension, Supplemental Security Income, or LEAP.

Funding for weatherization services is provided by the Colorado [Governor's Energy Office](#) and the U.S. Department of Energy Denver Regional Office.

To learn more and apply for weatherization services, please contact the Arapahoe County Weatherization Division at 303-636-1982 or visit [www.co.arapahoe.co.us](http://www.co.arapahoe.co.us) and click on "Services," then "Weatherization."

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<ftp://www.co.arapahoe.co.us/Pub/CM/Photos/Weatherization>

**AtticInsulation.jpg:** Arapahoe County Weatherization tech Shawn Black blows insulation material made of recycled newspaper into the attic of an Englewood resident. Courtesy Arapahoe County.

**Wall\_Insulation.jpg:** Arapahoe County Weatherization tech Jose Rodriguez-Contreras blows insulation material made of recycled newspaper into the attic of an Aurora resident. Courtesy Arapahoe County.