

What is Community Action Council?

Community Action Council is a private, non-profit corporation which offers a variety of programs directed at fulfilling our Mission Statement:

"In recognition that poverty impacts all members of our community, the Community Action Council exists to improve the quality of life of all residents of Lewis, Mason & Thurston Counties by promoting self-sufficiency, strengthening families and mobilizing community resources toward an elimination of the causes and effects of poverty."

Weatherization for free? What's the catch?

There is no catch. The only stipulations for the program are:

- The applicant(s) living in the household qualifies as low-income for the previous three months.
- The owner of the house must give written permission for the work to occur.*
- The house can not be for sale.

*If the house is a rental, the work may still be done for free if the landlord is willing to sign a landlord/agency authorization agreement which has further stipulations.

Why would it be free?

Weatherization conservation is not a giveaway program. It is an investment program in which you receive the comfort and savings of the work immediately. The investor (all society) reaps the long term benefits of an improved energy efficient housing stock. Weatherization conservation is a cost effective, environmentally friendly alternative to the costly endeavor of building new generation facilities such as dams and power plants.

How is the Weatherization Program supported?

Funding for this program comes from the State of Washington-Department of Commerce. It includes Federal funds from the Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), the Department of Energy (DOE) and the Department of Health & Human Services (HHS) as well as the State-funded Energy Matchmakers program. Additional private-sector funding comes through partnerships with local utilities such as Puget Sound Energy (PSE) and contributions from participants, landlords, individual donors, organizations, businesses and corporations.




What kind of work gets done?

A trained energy assessor/inspector will visit your home to determine exactly what work your home may need. Each house is different, but in general, the following measures are installed based on housing conditions and funding availability.

- Blower door analysis
- Targeted air sealing
- Combustion appliance safety testing
- On-site energy conservation education
- Attic (ceiling) insulation
- Wall insulation
- Floor insulation
- **Incidental** repairs that allow the installation of weatherization materials

Note: General window replacement is not a priority measure and may not qualify under the free program. The measure may be done with other resources, i.e., owner contributions, at the discretion of the homeowner.



YOU DO THE MATH.....

Weatherization = X(tra) S's (4 U)

**Savings from your heating bills
frees up money you can use for
other household needs.**

Weatherization Inquiry

Date _____

Applicant's Name _____

Street Address _____

Mailing Address _____

City/Town/Zip _____

(Circle or check all that apply)

I have read the brochure and think that I might qualify for free weatherization assistance.

I would like someone from Community Action Council to call and talk to me about weatherization.

My home phone number is _____

My message number is _____

The best time to reach me (between 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM) is _____

Mon. Tues. Wed. Thur. Fri.

Please circle all that apply:

Household Status: Own/buying _____ Rent _____ Subsidized _____ House _____ Mobile home _____ Apartment _____ Duplex/etc. _____

Previously weatherized by CAC or Utility program? Yes _____ No _____ Household has received Energy Assistance? Yes _____ No _____

My Primary heat source is: _____

Electric _____ Natural Gas _____ Propane _____ Oil _____ Coal _____ Wood _____ Pellet _____ Other _____

My secondary heat source is: _____

Electric _____ Natural Gas _____ Propane _____ Oil _____ Coal _____ Wood _____ Pellet _____ Other _____

Number of people in household: _____ **Household members are:** Seniors _____ Handicap/disabled _____ Children under 6 _____

Return to: Community Action Council Weatherization Program 420 Golf Club Rd. SE Lacey, WA 98503

How do I receive free weatherization?

It is a very easy process. Call the number below for an application or fill out, detach and mail the questionnaire in this brochure so we may contact you. We will ask questions about your household size, income and the existing conditions of your home. If it appears you might qualify, you will be asked to complete an application, where you will be required to provide documentation including, but not limited to: income, number of people in your home, proof of physical address, and identification. Additionally, there are related owner release forms we ask you to sign that permit us to select a licensed, bonded contractor to work on your home.

If you (or somebody you know) might qualify for this free service, don't delay in calling.

Funds are available to qualified households on a first come / first served basis and are limited by program guidelines. Some homes with particular heat sources may be prioritized over others based on targeted funding restrictions. Also, senior citizens, handicap/disabled people and households with members under age six may be prioritized for service.

Please refer to the eligibility chart to see if you might qualify.



**Fill out the
attached questionnaire,
detach and mail it to:**

Community Action Council
Weatherization Program
420 Golf Club Rd. SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Or reach us by:

Phone: (360) 438-1100 ext. 2100

Fax: (360) 491-7729

WEBSITE - www.caclmt.org

Eligibility Guidelines

To qualify, the gross income received by all household members must be at or below 200% of the federally-established poverty guidelines. Priority will be given to the households with income at or below the 125% level.

Columns A and B show qualifying income levels. Further income documentation testing is required to determine actual eligibility. Guidelines are revised annually. If your household appears close to qualifying, please contact the number below and speak to a CAC representative.

2012	A	B
Household Number	Average Monthly Income	Annual Income
1	\$1,861	\$22,340
2	\$2,521	\$30,260
3	\$3,181	\$38,180
4	\$3,841	\$46,100
5	\$4,501	\$54,020
6	\$5,161	\$61,940
7	\$5,821	\$69,860
8	\$6,481	\$77,780

The above income guidelines are subject to change.

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Heating costs going through the roof?



NEED SOME RELIEF?

*You or Your Tenant
May Qualify for*

FREE

*Home
Weatherization.*

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