

Other housing services:

If you need assistance with owner-occupied and tenant-based housing issues, and live or work in Far Rockaway, ask about the **Neighborhood Preservation Program**.

If you are a senior homeowner, and in need of emergency home repairs, ask about our **RESTORE Program**.

If you live or work in the NYC metropolitan area, and are looking to buy a home, experiencing trouble paying your mortgage, or in need of owner or tenant housing assistance, ask about our **Housing Counseling Program**.

If you live in Queens, and your home is in a dangerous state of disrepair, ask about our **Housing Rehabilitation Programs**.

If you are interested in new construction activities, ask about our **Affordable Housing Development** programs.

For all other inquiries, ask about **General Information & Referral Services**.



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## Weatherization Assistance Program

Weatherization Services reduce the amount of energy required to heat homes and provide hot water. The majority of homes in New York State were built when energy was relatively inexpensive. These homes are significantly more costly to heat than a newer energy-efficient home.

### Home Weatherization:

- Saves energy dollars
- Increases comfort in a home
- Reduces our dependence on foreign oil
- Preserves our housing stock
- Provides jobs and professional training
- Revitalizes neighborhoods
- Provides safe, affordable housing

### The Weatherization Program Consists of Four Steps:

- An application to the local service provider to determine income eligibility
- An energy audit of the home to identify specific needs. This often includes state-of-the-art blower-door testing and infrared scanning.
- The Weatherization of the Home
- A post-Weatherization inspection to assure quality and effectiveness of the measures installed



### Weatherization Services Might Include, But Are Not Limited To:

- Weatherstripping and caulking around doors and windows
- Cleaning, testing, repairs or replacement of heating systems
- Installation or replacement of health & safety equipment
- Replacement or repair of broken windows and/or outside doors
- The addition of insulation to walls and/or ceilings
- Minor repairs, as needed, to ensure maximum efficiency from the Weatherization service performed.

### Is There Any Charge For Weatherization Services?

All services are provided without obligation to the occupant of the home. However, owners of rental buildings are required to invest funds toward the cost of the Weatherization services.

### Who is Eligible For Weatherization Services?

Eligibility is based on household income relative to federal low-income guidelines. If a household contains a member who receives Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Public Assistance, Food Stamps, or Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) benefits, the household is considered automatically eligible for Weatherization services.

### Are Renters Eligible For Services?

Yes, renters qualify if the eligibility guidelines are met.



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The Weatherization Assistance Program is administered by the NYS Division of Housing and Community Renewal **Energy-Rehabilitation Services Bureau** (E-RSB) through community-based nonprofit organizations.



E-RSB assists in identifying the relationship between energy costs and housing affordability and provides a wide range of energy conservation services.

The Weatherization Assistance Program is an outgrowth of the energy crisis of the mid 1970's and the dramatic impact of higher energy prices on low-income households.

The program is federally funded through the **U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE)** and the **U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)** through a suballocation from the **NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance (OTDA)**.

*The mission of the program is to weatherize the homes of the elderly and working poor, including the disabled and families with young children; to minimize the impact of high heating costs.*

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