

### Program #25121 - Weatherization

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

**Related Programs:** 

**Program Characteristics:** 

### **Executive Summary**

Weatherization (WX) provided repair and appliance replacement to approximately 496 households in FY14. Services are primarily tax and rate payer 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 WX.

### **Program Summary**

Weatherization (WX) provides energy use audits, weatherization, furnace repairs and replacement, and appliance replacement to fixed and low-income households. County staff and vendors provide services. In FY14, more than 70,000 households were income eligible for service; and 496 were served.

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 12.6% of their income for energy expenses compared with 2.7% for the average household. In some fixed income households, energy costs can reach as high as 35% of total monthly expenses. DOE estimates WX households save an average \$274 annually in energy costs.

WX 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 WX has multiple "non-energy related" benefits including affordable housing preservation, regional energy conservation, long-term home improvement, safer housing conditions, and improved physical health. Locally, Oak Ridge National Laboratory found that WX increases household property values, maintains affordable housing, and improves the environment through reduced consumption of fossil fuels.

| Performance Measures |  |                |                   |                  |               |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|--|----------------|-------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|--|
| Measure<br>Type      | Primary Measure  | FY14<br>Actual | FY15<br>Purchased | FY15<br>Estimate | FY16<br>Offer |  |  |  |  |
| Output               | Number of households served                                | 496            | 750               | 750              | 500           |  |  |  |  |
| Outcome              | Number of affordable housing units maintained for 10 vears | 375            | 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     | 2015                  | 2015                 | 2016                  | 2016                 |
| Personnel            | \$0                   | \$642,956            | \$0                   | \$722,075            |
| Contractual Services | \$0                   | \$2,896,349          | \$0                   | \$2,256,877          |
| Materials & Supplies | \$0                   | \$391,332            | \$0                   | \$367,013            |
| Internal Services    | \$0                   | \$464,968            | \$0                   | \$408,339            |
| Total GF/non-GF      | \$0                   | \$4,395,605          | \$0                   | \$3,754,304          |
| Program Total:       | \$4,395,605           |                      | \$3,754,304           |                      |
| Program FTE          | 0.00                  | 7.65                 | 0.00                  | 8.50                 |

| Program Revenues          |           |             |           |             |  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|--|--|--|--|
| Indirect for Dept. Admin  | \$102,820 | \$0         | \$142,602 | \$0         |  |  |  |  |
| Intergovernmental         | \$0       | \$3,979,724 | \$0       | \$3,336,615 |  |  |  |  |
| Other / Miscellaneous     | \$0       | \$200,000   | \$0       | \$200,000   |  |  |  |  |
| Beginning Working Capital | \$0       | \$215,882   | \$0       | \$217,689   |  |  |  |  |
| Total Revenue             | \$102,820 | \$4,395,606 | \$142,602 | \$3,754,304 |  |  |  |  |

## **Explanation of Revenues**

\$814,864 - LIEAP Weatherization: Based on current grant award \$37,624 - LIEAP Clien Education: Based on current grant award \$308,246 - DOE Weatherization: Based on current grant award \$2,018,190 - ECHO Grant: Based on current grant award

\$17,691 - Energy Show Rebates: Based on current year income projections \$200,000 - County Weatherization Rebates: Based on current year estimates \$217,689 - County Weatherization Rebates Beginning Working Capital

\$140,000 - PDX Water/Sewer: Based on FY15 revised budget

## Significant Program Changes

Last Year this program was: FY 2015: 25121 Weatherization

Contracts are reduced by one-time-only carry-forward funding between FY14 and FY15 for ECHO Pacific Power & Light (PP&L) funds directly related to PP&L customers.