No-cost Energy Saving Tips

Turn down your thermostat to 68 degrees or lower during the day and evening (health permitting) and to 55 degrees or off at night or when away from home. Wear layers of loose-fitting clothes to trap body heat, such as thermal underwear, sweaters, sweatshirts, sweatpants, and socks.

Set your water heater to the "normal" setting or 120°, unless your dishwasher requires a higher setting.

Open drapes to let the sun heat your home during the day and close them at night to help insulate.

Close off unused rooms and the vents that heat those rooms.

Keep warm-air registers, baseboard heaters, and radiators clean and make sure they're not blocked by furniture, carpeting, or drapes.

Move furniture around so you are sitting near interior walls instead of exterior walls and windows.

Close your fireplace damper tightly when not in use. **Take** shorter showers.

Wash only full loads in your dishwasher and clothes washer.

Use cold water when washing clothes.

Low-cost Energy Saving Tips

Clean or replace furnace filters once a month.

Install weather-stripping or caulk on leaky doors and windows.

Install gaskets behind outlet covers.

Add plastic sheeting to your windows or purchase plastic window covering kits or interior storm window kits.

Install a programmable thermostat.

Install low flow showerheads and faucets.

Wrap your hot water tank with jacket insulation. Be sure to leave the air intake vent uncovered when insulating a gas water heater.

Insulate the water pipes leading from your hot water heater.

Health and Safety Tips

Adequate home heating is a necessity of life. The inability to heat your home adequately can put household members at risk. Health and safety risks include hypothermia and carbon monoxide poisoning and the increased possibility of fire.

You can prevent the loss of life and property by identifying potential hazards and following these safety tips:

Install smoke and carbon monoxide alarms in your home.

Provide proper venting systems for all heating equipment.

Never use your range or oven to heat your home or use a BBQ in your home or garage.

Place space heaters on level, hard and nonflammable surfaces, not on rugs or carpets.

Keep space heaters at least three feet from bedding, drapes, furniture, and other flammable materials.

Never leave a space heater on when you go to sleep or leave the area.

Watch children and pets closely in rooms with heating equipment.

Always use generators outdoors and away from doors, windows, and vents.



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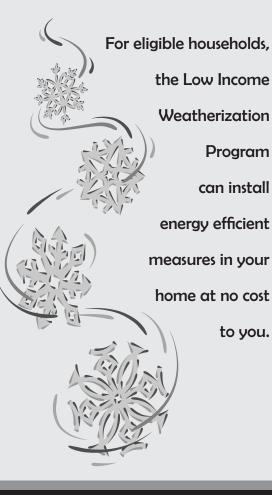
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What is the Low Income Weatherization Program?



What kind of energy efficient measures can be installed?

- Insulation in attics, walls, under floors, and heating ducts,
- Door repairs, weather-stripping, and caulking to reduce air leaks in doors and windows,
- Carbon monoxide detectors,
- Compact fluorescent light bulbs,
- Water heater insulation blankets and pipe wrap,
- Cover plate gaskets,
- Thermostats,
- Vent covers and venting,
- Fluorescent Torchiere lamps,
- Ceiling fans,
- Storm windows,
- Repair of ducting, heating/cooling systems, and windows,
- Replacement of water heaters space heating systems, windows, and refrigerators.

What if I am a renter?

You still may be able to receive weatherization services if you are an eligible household and your landlord agrees to sign a Weatherization Service Agreement.

Who is an eligible household?

An eligible household is a household whose gross annual income is below the qualifying income limits, (certain additional restrictions apply.)

Have questions or want to know the income guidelines?

Please go to: www.plumascdc.org/energy.html



Where can I get an application? (Locations to call for and/or get help with completing applications)

PLUMAS COUNTY

Quincy	
Plumas County Community	
Development Commission	283-2466
Plumas Crisis Intervention	
Resource Center	283-5515

Chester	
ABC Center258-42	280
Portola	
Family Resource Center832-1	827
Greenville Indian Valley Resource Center	560

SIERRA COUNTY

Loyalton	
Department of Social Services	. 993-6720
Loyalton City Hall	.993-6750
High Sierra Family Resource Center	993-1110
Downieville	
Human Services	289-3711