

Weatherization Assistance Program

The Weatherization Assistance Program helps homeowners and renters reduce energy costs while increasing comfort in their homes. Weatherization improvements may also make your home environment healthier and safer. Improvements are installed by the local weatherization agency in your area.

If your residence qualifies for weatherization services, you may receive one or more of the following energy efficiency measures:

► Insulation

Adding insulation to the attic, walls, and crawlspace helps reduce energy use and increase comfort.

► Sealing Air Leaks

Sealing air leaks reduces cold drafts caused by gaps or cracks in the home's structure and may improve indoor air quality.

► Heating System Update

Repairing or replacing an inefficient furnace or boiler will save energy and money.

► Energy-Saving Products

Installing water-saving faucet aerators and shower heads and ENERGY STAR® LED bulbs will reduce your energy needs. Replacing an old refrigerator or freezer with a new ENERGY STAR qualified model will also save energy.

ENERGY SAVINGS TIP

ENERGY STAR® qualified home electronics use up to 50% less energy than other models. Look for the ENERGY STAR label when purchasing appliances, TVs, computers, and printers.



For More Information

or to locate your local agency
call toll free 1-866-HEATWIS (432-8947)
or visit energyandhousing.wi.gov



Other Energy Resources

KEEP WISCONSIN WARM/COOL FUND

1-800-891-WARM (9276)
www.kwwf.org

HEAT FOR HEROES

1-800-891-9276
www.heat4heroes.org

FOCUS ON ENERGY

1-800-762-7077
www.focusonenergy.com



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“With the help from you we’ll be able to have a warmer house and be more comfortable and less stressed.”

Recipient of Energy Assistance and Weatherization Assistance

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What is *homeenergy+*

Home Energy Plus (HE+) includes the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP), Weatherization Assistance Program, and HE+ Furnace Program. WHEAP provides assistance for heating costs, electric costs, and energy crisis situations. Weatherization helps renters and homeowners reduce their energy consumption. The HE+ Furnace Program provides services to eligible homeowners and some renters to repair or replace their heating system. Operating with federal and state funding, the programs provide energy assistance payments to over 200,000 households and weatherization services to over 6,000 households in Wisconsin each year.

Who is eligible?

Your household may be eligible for the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program (WHEAP), Weatherization Assistance Program, and the HE+ Furnace Program based on a number of factors. If your household gross income (before taxes and other deductions) is less than the amount shown on the chart below, you may be eligible. You can apply at your local WHEAP agency, online, or by phone.

Household Size	ONE Month	Annual Income
1	\$2,675.25	\$32,103
2	\$3,498.42	\$41,981
3	\$4,321.58	\$51,859
4	\$5,144.83	\$61,738
5	\$5,968.00	\$71,616
6	\$6,791.17	\$81,494
7	\$6,945.50	\$83,346
8	\$7,099.83	\$85,198

The HE+ Program uses a previous one month income test which is annualized to determine program income eligibility. Income for people who are self-employed, farmers, or seasonal workers is based on federal income tax forms for the previous year.

What is the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program and how does it work?

WHEAP assistance is a one-time payment during the heating season (October 1-May 15). The funding pays a portion of energy costs, but it is not intended to cover the entire energy costs of a residence. The amount of the energy assistance benefit depends on a variety of factors, including the household's size, income, and energy costs. In most cases, the energy assistance benefit is paid directly to the household's energy supplier.

What types of energy bills are eligible for assistance?

Homes heated with wood, propane, natural gas, electricity, or fuel oil can receive energy assistance. Your household may also be eligible to receive a payment for your non-heating electric costs through funding provided by Wisconsin's Public Benefits Program.

If you currently do not have heat or may be disconnected

Crisis assistance may be available if you have no heat, have received a disconnect notice, or are nearly out of fuel and are unable to purchase more. WHEAP agencies provide a 24-hour crisis phone number to help with emergencies after business hours. Non-emergency assistance may include information on how to reduce energy costs, counseling on budgeting and money management, payments to an energy provider, and/or copayment agreements.

Furnace/boiler repair and replacement

The HE+ Furnace Program can assist eligible homeowners and some renters whose furnace or boiler stops operating. The program can pay for repairs or, in some situations, a total replacement of a non-operating system. Call your local WHEAP agency or the statewide Customer Care Center (1-800-506-5596) immediately if you are experiencing a no-heat situation.



KEEP YOUR FAMILY SAFE

Install a carbon monoxide alarm on every level in your home. Carbon monoxide is an odorless, colorless, and toxic gas. Never use gas grills or generators indoors and never use your gas stove to heat your home.

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Program services are available without regard to race, color, gender or gender identity, sexuality, age, religion, national origin, or mental or physical disability.

Apply online for WHEAP benefits <https://energybenefit.wi.gov> or to complete a phone application, call our statewide Customer Care Center at **1-800-506-5596**.