

## WINTER IS COMING ... IS YOUR HOME READY?

### What is Weatherization?

Weatherization is the process of reducing energy costs to families by increasing the energy efficiency of the home while ensuring health and safety. Services are cost effective energy efficiency measures for existing residential homes that improve performance and comfort.



### Why Weatherization?

Weatherization follows HFHGP's mission principles in order to :

- Promote transformational and sustainable community development
- Reduce your monthly and life cycle costs, and increase energy efficiency, durability, and values of your home
- Provide safe and healthy environments



### The 4Step Process

1. A prerepair energy audit is conducted, which provides an **assessment of the home's energy efficiency**.
2. Volunteers make repairs to the home to improve the energy efficiency while ensuring the health and safety of the occupants.
3. A postrepair energy audit is conducted to ensure the work was done correctly and safely.
4. Educational material is provided for the partner family to help them understand the changes made to their home and maximize the financial benefits those changes will bring.

### What are the benefits?

- Utility cost savings
- Better indoor air quality
- Increased property value

### Income Guidelines

In order to qualify, your **family's annual gross income** (before taxes) must be below the maximum income shown in the chart to the right. For example, if your family is comprised of 4 people, and you make less than \$32,000 you would meet the income guidelines.

### Program Requirements

- Must own and occupy a home that needs and could benefit from short term exterior or interior improvements.
- Must meet the income guidelines set by HFHGP
- Must be willing to partner to HFHGP
- Must occupy a home in the Greater Pittsburgh area in **Allegheny County and posses homeowner's insurance**
- Must be willing to make a minimal monthly payment

2012 Income Guidelines (subject to change)		
Household Size	MIN gross annual income	Max gross annual income
1	\$13,650	\$22,750
2	\$15,600	\$26,000
3	\$17,550	\$29,250
4	\$19,450	\$32,450
5	\$21,050	\$35,050
6	\$22,600	\$37,650
7	\$24,150	\$40,250
8	\$25,700	\$42,850

### How Do I Apply?

To receive an application please call our office at 412 3510512 ext 10.



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### What Weatherization Services Does Habitat Perform?

#### Basic Weatherization Services

- Caulking windows, doors, baseboards, ceiling trim
- Installing door sweeps
- Installing outlet insulators
- Insulating basement rim joists
- Taping ducts
- Insulating attic hatch



#### Advanced Weatherization Services

- Repairing Return
- Sealing penetrations and headboards in attic
- Blowing insulation in attic
- Rolled insulation in attic
- Raised storage in attic
- Drill and Fill wall insulation