

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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## Weatherization Day

Since 1976, the federal Weatherization Assistance Program has helped lowincome households across the nation attain energy efficiency. Weatherization, the process of making a home more energy efficient, has helped low-income individuals and families improve their health and safety conditions, increase comfort for the occupants, reduce homelessness and mobility and extend a lifetime of affordable housing.

Today, weatherization is a long-term solution to reduce the high energy burden faced by low-income families, who can pay significantly higher portions of their income on residential energy costs. Weatherization creates non-energy benefits, such as increasing property value, reducing likelihood of fire, generating federal taxes from employment, encouraging job training and workforce development, and reducing pollution and carbon emissions.

"Weatherization Day" serves as a reminder of the important work done by California's network of weatherization providers in helping low-income individuals and families live in safe, healthy and energy-efficient homes.

Sincerely,

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