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NeighborImpact Celebrates Weatherization Day on October 30th

October 25, 2011 Redmond, OR - As Weatherization Day approaches the NeighborImpact Weatherization Program announced it has weatherized more than 140 homes this year alone.

"This program has helped families in Crook, Jefferson, and Deschutes Counties conserve energy and reduce their costs for heating, cooling, and electricity usage," said Executive Director Sharon Miller. "The money saved by reducing their energy bills can now be used by these families to pay for clothing, food, and other essentials in their daily lives."

With support from the US Department of Energy, more than 6.7 million homes have been weatherized across the nation since 1976. Below are some statistics supporting the benefits of home weatherization practices;

- For every \$1 invested, weatherization returns \$2.51 to the household and society,
- \$437 or more in annual utility bill savings year after year at current energy prices,
- Weatherization decreases national energy consumption by the equivalent of 24.1 million barrels of oil annually,
- Reduces residential and power plant emissions of carbon dioxide by 2.65 metric ton per year per home,
- Over the life of the corrective measures, saves 53 metric tons of CO2 emissions per house.

Each year, October is designated as National Energy Awareness Month and October 30 is recognized as Weatherization Day. The Department of Energy uses the onset of winter to promote energy conservation, renewable energy, and new technology use in the energy industry.

About NeighborImpact: Since 1985, NeighborImpact has been a leader in developing solutions and bringing resources to Crook, Jefferson and Deschutes County. It offers a diversity of services meeting basic human needs for food and shelter, while enriching people's lives by providing access to increased education, skills, and hope for the future. NeighborImpact is a private nonprofit organization that receives federal, state and local funding; foundation grants; and donations from individuals and businesses in our community. To learn more about NeighborImpact please visit www.neighborimpact.org.
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