

The Weatherization and Intergovernmental Programs (WIP) Office is part of EERE’s balanced research, development, demonstration, and deployment approach to accelerate America’s transition to a clean energy economy. WIP’s mission is to partner with state and local organizations to improve energy security and to significantly accelerate the deployment of clean energy technologies and practices by a wide range of government, community, and business stakeholders.

What We Do

In FY 2017, WIP’s mission will be supported by three programs: the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP), the State Energy Program (SEP), and the Cities, Counties and Communities Energy Program. WIP uses an integrated approach consisting of the following strategies/pathways:

- ✓ **Formula grants** to support the core capabilities of state energy and weatherization offices.
- ✓ **Competitive awards** to support innovative state and local high-impact and self-sustaining clean energy projects.
- ✓ **Technical assistance** to facilitate clean energy technology delivery through “best practice” tools, “lead by example” methods, peer-to-peer forums, and strategic partnerships.
- ✓ **Active management** of awardees through on-site reviews and integrated Web-based systems for reporting, monitoring, communication, and provision of technical assistance. WIP’s state and local partners utilize these resources to engage in energy planning and emergency energy management, develop and finance innovative clean energy projects, create and implement sustainable energy policies and programs, and perform residential energy-efficiency retrofits in low income households.

WIP also designs and manages a broad portfolio of technical assistance programs and initiatives with government partners.

Program Goals/Metrics

- WAP Performance Measure: Retrofits—Weatherized homes of low income families
 - FY 2015 Target: 30,000 homes weatherized.
 - FY 2015 Result: 34,220 retrofits.
 - FY 2016 Target: 33,600 homes weatherized.
 - FY 2017 Target: 35,700 homes weatherized.
 - Cumulative Target: Complete 150,000 residential energy efficiency retrofits for low income families between FY 2017 and FY 2022.
- SEP Performance Measures:
 - FY 2015 Target: Recruit 15-20 public-sector partners per year with commitments in Better Building initiatives.
 - FY 2015 Result: Recruited 20 public-sector partners.
 - FY 2016 Target: Recruit 15-20 public-sector partners per year with commitments in Better Building initiatives.
 - FY 2016 Target: Accelerate investments in state and local government use of ESPCs by \$2 billion by 2016.
 - Cumulative Target: Reduce state government facilities and operations energy use by 2% per year through FY 2020.

(Dollars in Thousands)	FY 2015 Enacted	FY 2016 Enacted	FY 2017 Requested
Weatherization Assistance	\$189,600	\$211,600	\$225,000
Training and Technical Assistance	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$5,000
NREL Site-Wide Facility Support	\$400	\$400	\$0
Total, Weatherization Assistance Program	\$193,000	\$215,000	\$230,000
State Energy Program	\$50,000	\$50,000	\$70,000
Cities, Counties & Communities Energy Program	\$0	\$0	\$26,000
Total, Weatherization and Intergovernmental Program	\$243,000	\$265,000	\$326,000

FY 2017 Priorities

- **Weatherization Assistance Formula Grants** (\$225 million)—Award and actively manage 59 weatherization formula grants that will support critical infrastructure and a level of operations to provide weatherization retrofits for more than 35,000 low-income families across the country.
- **Weatherization Training and Technical Assistance** (\$5 million)—With the effective implementation of the program's Quality Work Plan, future activities will focus on maintaining and upgrading the existing resources (workforce training and audit processes) as well as developing best practice guidance on their use.
- **State Energy Formula Grants** (\$45 million)—Award and actively manage 56 formula grants to advance deployment of effective energy efficiency and renewable energy policies and technologies by state governments and expand state-led comprehensive clean energy and emergency energy planning capabilities.
- **State Competitive Energy Projects** (\$15 million)—Competitively select and manage 20-30 multi-jurisdictional energy efficiency and clean energy technology market transformation projects that have high-impact/high-visibility and replicability to other state and local entities.
- **State Energy Program Technical Assistance** (\$10 million)—Expand best practices tools, models, and strategies in partnership with state energy offices, national state associations and regional organizations including the public sector Better Buildings Challenge participants.
- **Cities, Counties, and Communities Energy Program** (\$26 million)—Launch new initiative provide competitive technical assistance and competitively-awarded funds to local governments, public housing authorities, non-profits (and other locally-focused stakeholders) to catalyze more extensive clean energy solutions in community development and revitalization efforts.

Key Accomplishments

- Exceeded FY 2015 performance goal of 30,000 home retrofits for low income families by an additional 4,220 retrofits.
- Approximately 100% compliance with the program's Quality Work Plan, including the certification of approximately 1,500 Quality Control Inspectors within the weatherization network.
- Highlights from a major national evaluation of the WAP completed in FY 2015.
 - Program-wide savings-to-investment ratio of 1.4.
 - Program-wide benefit cost ratio including health and safety benefits of 4.1.
- Successfully recruited approximately 20 public-sector partners into Better Building initiatives.
- Highlights from a major national evaluation of SEP completed in FY 2015.
 - For every SEP dollar spent, program participants received \$4.50 in bill savings over the lifetime of the measures installed.
 - The SEP investments resulted in lifetime energy savings and renewable generation of 9.7 trillion British Thermal Units (primary source).
- Continued state and local sustainable lending capacity of more than \$600 million for energy efficiency improvements and renewable energy systems initiated under the Recovery Act.