



**The National Association for State Community Services Programs (NASCSP)  
Quarterly Member Webinar: Thursday, August 10, 2023**

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# WAP Board Elections

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- This fall at the Annual Business Meeting in Grand Rapids, MI, NASCSP is holding an election for the WAP Representatives to the NASCSP Board of Directors.
- NASCSP is seeking nominations online from **August 7 - September 1, 2023**.
- Elections will be held during the Business Meeting on **Wednesday, September 27, 2023**, during NASCSP's Annual Conference.
- Submit your nominations [here](#)!



# AGENDA



- Communications & Advocacy
- NASCSP Updates & Resources
- National Partner Updates
- Federal Updates
- WAP Chair Updates
- Member Open Discussion





# Legislative and Communications Update

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# Federal Funding

FY 2024 Funding				
	NASCSP Letter	Presidents Budget Request	House Proposed	Senate Proposed
WAP	\$375M	\$375M	\$238M	\$326M
TTA	\$15M	\$10M	\$10M	\$10M
WRF	\$37.5M	\$52M	\$30M	\$30M



# Federal Funding

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## FY 2024 LIHEAP Funding

House Proposed	\$4.01B
Senate Proposed	\$4.075B

## FY 2024 CSBG Funding

House Proposed	\$770M
Senate Proposed	\$765M







# Legislative & Advocacy Updates

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- Working with Rep. Tonko's Office on Weatherization Day – toured space
- Partnering with NCAF & NCAP on Weatherization Day and identifying new champions
- Signed on to EESG Appropriators letter to support WAP funding for PY2024
- Responding to requests for information from the Hill
- Supporting LIHEAP Action Month



# New Bills of Interest

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## [S. 1715 – Wildfire Emergency Act of 2023](#)

Same as S. 188 in regards to WAP. Reintroduced and referred to Senate Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry Committee.

## [H.R. 4296 Weatherization Resilience and Adaptation Program Act](#)

To direct the Secretary of the Interior to establish a grant program to assist primarily low-income individuals in making their homes and property more resilient to the impacts of climate change, and for other purposes.

## [H.R.3965 - Extreme Heat Emergency Act of 2023](#)

## [S.1495 - HEAT Act](#)

## [H.R.4314 - Stay Cool Act](#)



# WAP on the Hill - News in Brief:

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[Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Consumer Water Heaters](#); Notice of proposed rulemaking and announcement of public meeting. **Due Sept. 26, 2023.**

DOE proposes amended energy conservation standards for consumer water heaters

**President Biden mentioned Weatherization** and LIHEAP during a virtual meeting with the mayors of Phoenix and San Antonio, stating “The Department of Energy's weatherization assistance program makes homes more energy efficient, lowering energy bills for the long haul, reducing overload on the grid, and making homes more comfortable in intense heat.”



# Weatherization Day & Toolkits

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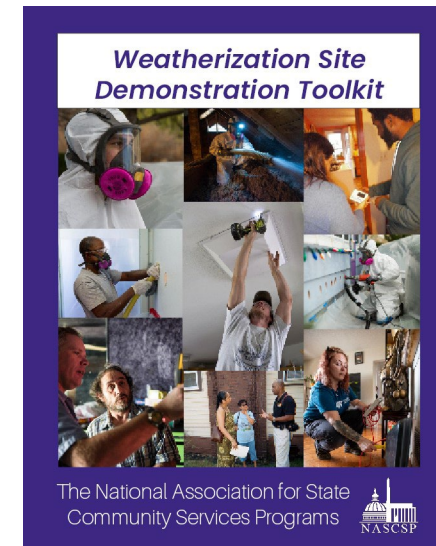
• **Save the Date!** •

**Weatherization Day**  
October 30, 2023

*Start planning your  
activities now!*

Use the NASCSP Toolkits – link below.

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[Site Demo Toolkit](#)



[Outreach Toolkit](#)

# Weatherization Day Reporting

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[Weatherization Day Activity Reporting Sheet](#)



# NASCSP Live WAP Day Hill Event:

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**When:** October 25, 11:30am –  
1:30pm

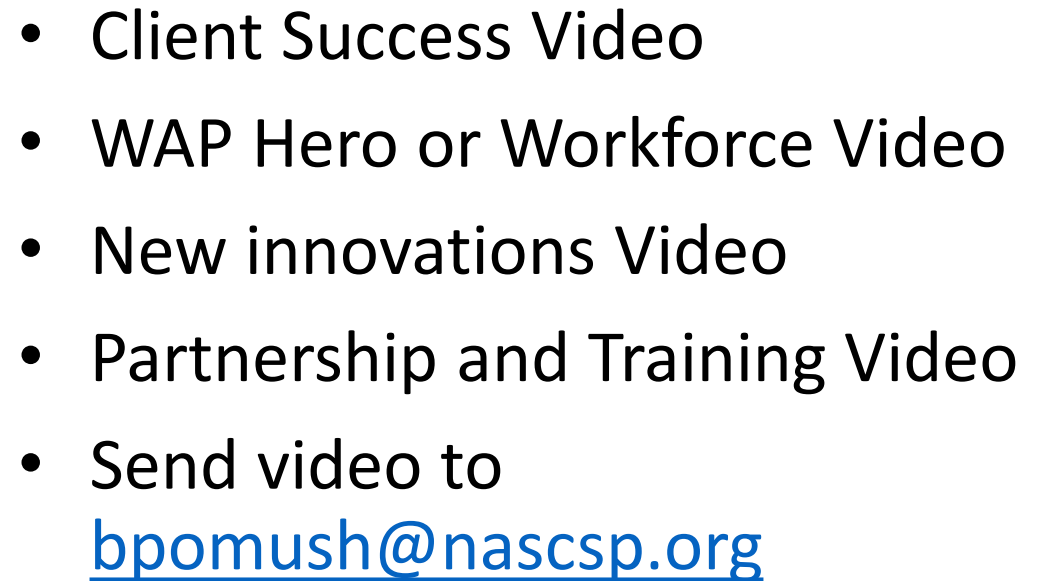
**Where:** Capitol Visitor Center

**Audience:** Legislators and Staffers

**Focus:** Innovation – E&I and SERC  
Projects



# Please send recent videos:



# NASCSP UPDATES



- Staffing Updates
- New Member Training Resources
- Conference and Trainings
- Workforce: Updated Living Wage Comparison Calculator
- Annual Funding Survey PY 2022





# Welcome New Members!

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## **NASCSP hosts Quarterly New Member Orientation meetings**

- Meet your Peers
- Tour of NASCSP resources and website
  - [September 6](#)
- [NASCSP On-Demand New Manager Training](#)

# DOE Grantee Manager Training - Online

**Training Topics designed for  
Grantee Program Managers, Fiscal  
Managers, and Monitors include:**

- Grantee Plans
- Finance and Budgets
- DOE Monitoring of Grantees
- Grantee Monitoring of Subgrantees
- Managing a Quality Program.



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**Develop a Training and Technical Assistance**  
Retrofit Assistance Program Grantee Training

# NASCSP Staffing Updates

- The DOE BIL Training and Technical Assistance funds expected on July 1, 2023 are delayed.
- As a result, NASCSP has recalled the WAP BIL Senior Manager position.





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NASCSP 2023  
Annual Training  
Conference

September 25 – 29

Grand Rapids, MI



**NASCSP 45<sup>th</sup>  
Anniversary!**





# NASCSP WAP Core Conference

- Federal Partners Update
- Department of Energy Updates & Q&A Session
- Enhancing the WAP Workforce
- Weatherization Readiness Roundup!
- (2) Member Planning and Action Sessions
- Energy Out West Technical Peer Exchange
- Growing Capacity: Recruiting and Retaining WAP Contractors

## WAP “Back to Basics” Pre-Conference

- 10 CFR 440 Review
- Subgrantee and Grantee Performance Strategies
- Internal Fiscal Controls
- Risk Management



# Code of Federal Regulations

A point in time eCFR system



 Title 10



## WAP Network Resources



WAP Webinars



Home Energy Audits



## Recent NASCSP Trainings

- Increasing Weatherization Capacity through Leveraging National Service
- Weatherization Assistant v 10 -Considerations for Managers and Administrators
- Badges in the WAP

## Member Poll:

**Q: For the states that use Weatherization Assistance Audit Tool (NEAT/MHEA) will you be able to implement v.10 by the July 1, 2024, deadline?**

- Yes, we have already migrated
- Yes, we will migrate by the deadline
- No, we need an extension
- Unsure
- Moving away from WA audit tool in the next year

# PY 2022 Annual WAP Funding Survey

Each year, the WAP Grantees report comprehensive funding and production data to NASCSP. This important survey is required to complete the PY 2022 Annual Funding Report that goes to Congress and our Federal Funding partners. The PY 2022 Annual Funding Survey is intended to collect data for:

- **April 1 Grantees:** April 1, 2022 – March 30, 2023
- **July 1 Grantees:** July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023
- **BIL Grantees:** July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023
- **Surveys are due back August 31, 2023**



Only 1 Submission per Grantee, please coordinate with WAP State Manager and WAP Fiscal Team. **The Aug 1 NASCSP training recording is in the Member Portal > WAP Webinars.**





## Member Poll:

**Q: What is your experience level with completing the NASCSP WAP Annual Funding Survey?**

- More than five years, I am a PRO!
- 3-5 years experience
- 1-2 years experience
- This is my first year completing the WAP Annual Funding Survey

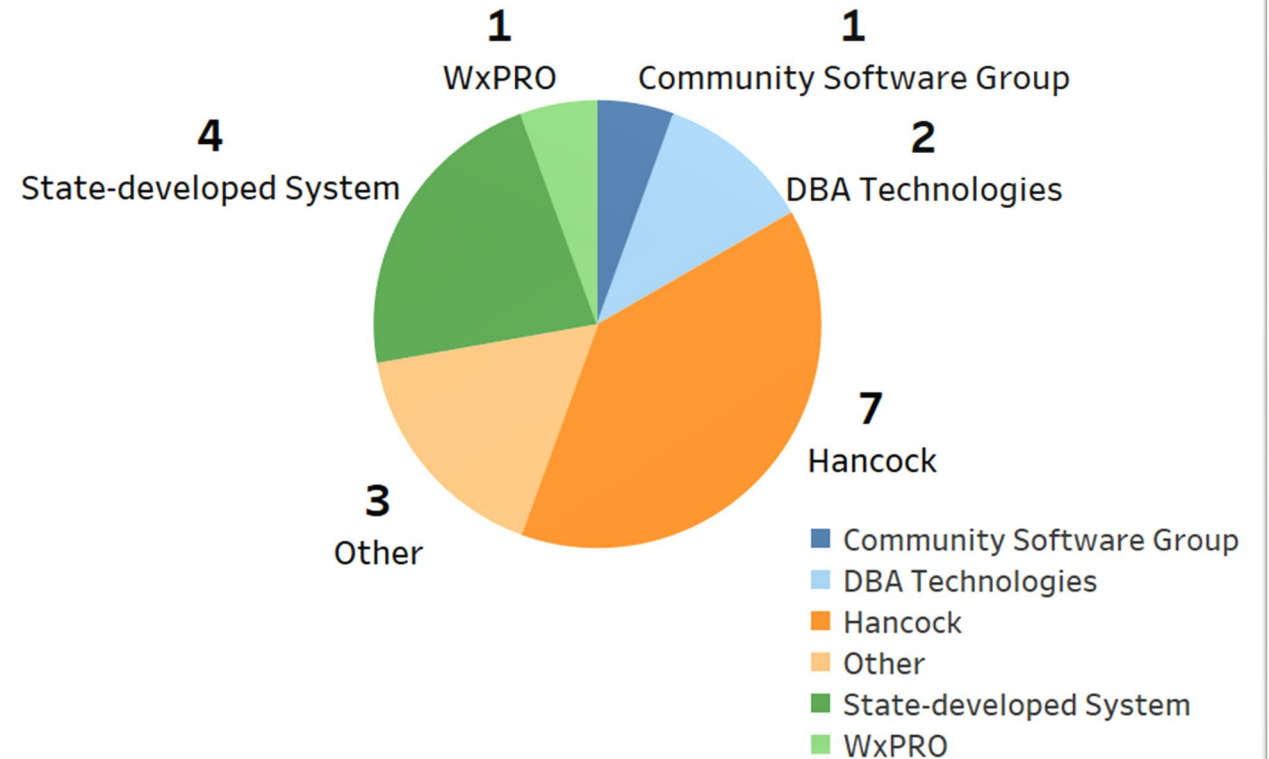
# WAP Data Management Systems Survey

28 WAP Grantees responded to a NASCSP survey on the functionality and current capacity of Grantee Data Management Systems (DMS).

- 18 of the respondents had a DMS
- 10 respondents said that they relied on spreadsheets and trackers.

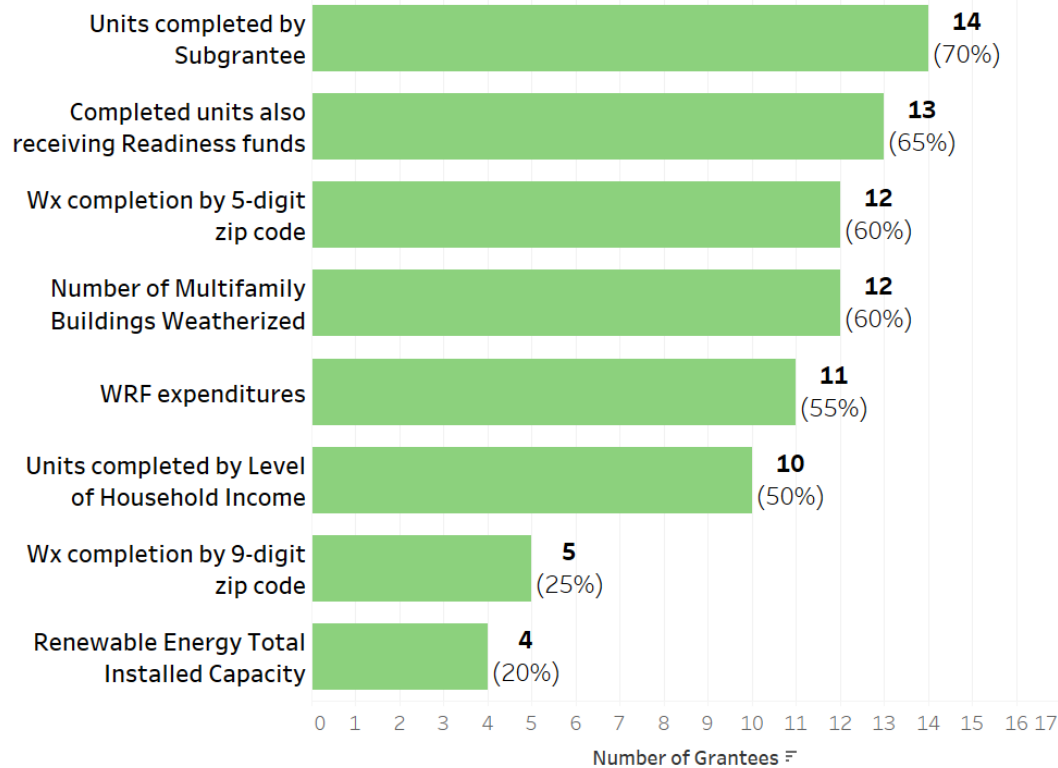
The survey can be found in the NASCSP Member Portal: Grantee Survey Data

## PY2023 Grantees' Current WAP Data Management Systems

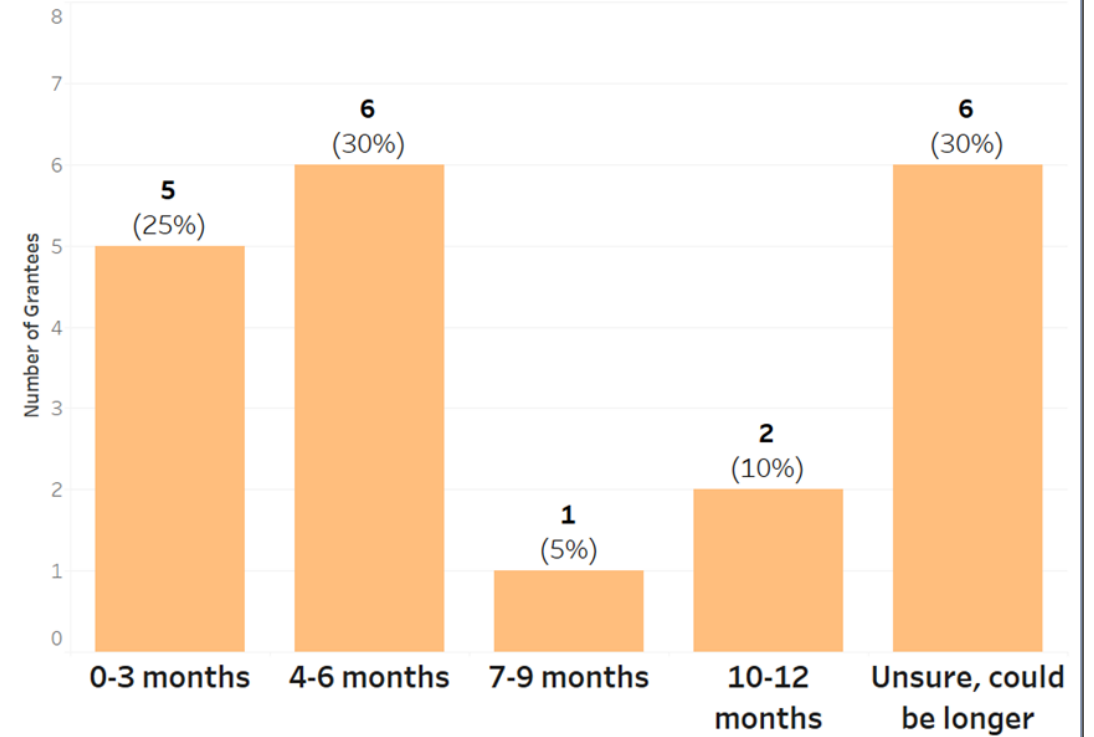


# DMS – New DOE Reporting Requirements

Number of Grantees Meeting Each New DOE Reporting Requirement



Grantees' Estimates of Development Time for New DOE Reporting Requirements





# WAP Workforce Resources and Tools

## Workforce Resources and Tools

NREL and NASCSP updated and tested the living wage calculator in May 2023

Updated Wage Survey Coming in 2024

State (select from menu)	County (select from menu)	Hourly Wage (Enter)	County Living Wage - 1 person household	Difference	% difference
DC	District of Columbia	\$21.00	\$22.15	-\$1.15	-5%
			County Living Wage - 2 person household*	Difference	% difference
			\$42.61	-\$21.61	-51%
			County Mean Personal Income	Difference	% difference
			\$30.29	-\$9.29	-31%

## Member Poll:

**Q: Have you utilized the NASCSP WAP wage tools to enhance workforce development in your state?**

- Yes, we require a WAP minimum wage
- Yes, we are using the WAP Career Fliers
- Yes, we are using the living wage calculator
- Yes, to all of the above
- No, but we recommend our subgrantees use the tools
- No, but I would like to know more

# NASCSP State of Poverty Blog

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- Workforce Innovation blog posted on June 2, 2023
- The blog discusses an innovative workforce development program in PA that is focused on the recruitment, training, and job placement of WAP professionals.

## State of Poverty Blog – NASCSP

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### Building Green Futures: Empowering Careers in Weatherization

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The rapidly evolving fields of clean energy, energy efficiency and renewable energy have witnessed remarkable growth in recent years. However, individuals interested in pursuing careers in these fields often face significant challenges, including a lack of awareness about available career pathways and limited access to training opportunities. Recognizing these hurdles, the **Clean Energy Center** at Pennsylvania (PA) College of

Technology, in partnership with the PA Weatherization Assistance Program, developed





## Workforce Development Working Group

**Call for New Members!**

Starting 3Q 2023 – 1 year  
commitment

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Please email  
[kgarvin@nascsp.org](mailto:kgarvin@nascsp.org)



# IRA Rebate Program: Resources


- Press Release: [Biden Harris Administration Opens Applications For States And Territories To Implement \\$8.5 Billion For Home Energy Rebates As Part Of Investing In America Agenda | Department of Energy](#)
- Home Energy Rebates website (home page): [Home Energy Rebate Program | Department of Energy](#)
- Program Requirements: [Home Energy Rebate Programs Requirements & Application Instructions](#)
- ALRD: [Home Energy Rebate Administrative and Legal Requirements Document](#)

## State guidance is here for Home Energy Rebates Programs

States and territories can now submit applications to develop home efficiency and home electrification and appliance programs



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## Member Poll: Regarding Non-Energy Impacts (NEI WPN 22-10) my state has:

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- Applied for Social Cost of Carbon
- Been Approved for Social Cost of Carbon
- Applied for Water Usage Reduction
- Been Approved for Water Usage Reduction
- We have not considered NEI yet
- We plan to consider NEI in 2024



# National Partner Updates



# IREC and Partners: WAP E&I Workforce Project “Cultivating a New Generation of Diverse WAP Professionals”

## **Contractor Input Requested: A Guide to Contractor Success in the Weatherization Assistance Program**

(August 17, Online)

Join IREC and partners in a participatory discussion to help shape the development of a new resource designed to help connect contractors to opportunities in the Weatherization Assistance Program. This discussion is targeted toward weatherization and energy efficiency contractors.

**[Register here](#)**

# IREC and Partners: WAP E&I Workforce Project “Cultivating a New Generation of Diverse WAP Professionals”

 *Calling All Shutterbugs and Photography Enthusiasts!* 

*IREC seeks captivating images of WAP professionals for their platform and social media. Capture the spirit and dedication of WAP professionals making a positive impact on communities. From hard work in the field to heartwarming interactions, your images can tell inspiring stories. Contribute to visual storytelling that brings the world of WAP to life and showcases the incredible work being done!*

*Email [Kye Garvin](#) to submit your images today.*

# IREC News & Events

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- [IREC's EMPOWERED Program Trains Over 75,000 Safety Professionals!](#)
- [IREC to Partner with Northern Cheyenne Nation on Clean Energy Workforce Training](#)
- **State of the Workforce: Open Dialogue About Workforce Needs and Solutions Webinar (August 17, 2:00 p.m. EST)**
  - [Register here.](#)





# National Community Action Partnership

## 2023 Annual Convention

### DATES

- Pre-Training: August 21–22
- Convention: August 23–25

### LOCATION

- **Atlanta** Marriott Marquis
- 265 Peachtree Center Ave NE
- Atlanta, Georgia 30303







# NREL Updates

## SWS Weatherization Photo Gallery

- NREL is developing a photo gallery aligned with the SWS
- Expected release: September 2023
- Images can be used with attribution by the WAP network
- Images will be added on an ongoing basis. To contribute photos to the gallery, please fill out this form:  
<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/7361539/Weatherization-Image-Gallery-Submission-Form>



# NREL Updates

## Section, Topic, Sub-Topic

- ☐ Air Sealing (8)
- ☐ Health and Safety (10)
- ☐ Heating and Cooling (1)
- ☐ Insulation (10)
- ☐ Ventilation (6)

## Image Gallery

Use the weatherization image gallery to find weatherization photos of energy retrofit measure installations, mechanical equipment, and materials that comply with standard work specifications.

These images support a variety of visualization needs including, but not limited to, marketing materials, presentations, and field guides.

### Contact

If you have any questions about the image gallery or how to contribute photos, [contact Cory Chovanec](#).

### How the Image Gallery Works

#### — Contribute Images

To ensure a robust and inclusive image gallery, we encourage users to contribute weatherization photos. NREL will collect and organize the photos, add descriptions, and obtain permission for photo use and credit. Use the [Weatherization Image Gallery Submission Form](#).

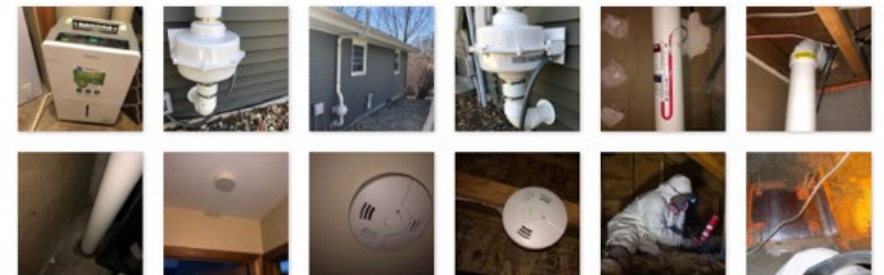
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# Measure Cost Data Request

NREL and ORNL are updating the **WAP Regional Priority Lists** (based on feedback from the WAP network), and we need your help!

**Would your program be willing to share the measure cost libraries used in your state?** If needed, we can provide technical assistance to facilitate the data export.

Please reach out to Kiersten Kelley at [Kiersten.Kelley@nrel.gov](mailto:Kiersten.Kelley@nrel.gov)!

Thank you!



# NEUAC Updates

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Please see NEUAC's LIHEAP Action [toolkit](#) for important information on August LIHEAP Action Month – at the top of the page are several key resources:

- [Social Media Kit](#) – NEW!
- [We Stand for Energy Petition](#) – let legislators know LIHEAP is essential
- [Copy of the letter](#) signed by 15 national partners to appropriators in support of LIHEAP

There are also [updated talking points](#) and new links to resources by HHS, including their new [LIHEAP Data Dashboard](#) that provides quarterly information on LIHEAP funds by state.





# Save the Date!



## Energy OutWest

**August 19 - 23, 2024**

Hilton Austin | Austin, Texas

For More  
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[www.energyoutwest.org](http://www.energyoutwest.org)

Energy  
OutWest  
Updates



# Federal Updates





# SCEP WAP Team – July 2023

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## WAP Retrofits and Readiness

Program Manager: Carrie Smith

Lead Analysts: Amanda Rains, Oliver George

ORISE Fellow: Shadae Mond

### Program TPOs

Supervisor: **Vacant**

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Floris Weston

Jon Muckey

Julie McAlpin

Michael Peterson

Rhonda Harding-Hill

Sasha Tidwell

Tawanna Holloway

Scott Kuhn

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Supervisor: Ray Judy

Ben Tucker

Robin Lee

Ryan Middleton

Shawn Green

Tim Petrides

Tommi Makila

William Kraus

## WAP Innovation

Program Manager: Amy Klusmeier

Coordinators: Brittany Price (E&I),

Katy Kujawski (SERC and CSPP)

ORISE Fellow: Nikki Eliashev

### E&I TPOs:

Angel Ortiz

Chelsea Mervenne

Rose Croog

## WAP T&TA

Program Manager: Derek Schroeder

ORISE Fellow: Nava Rastegar

Additional Staff: **Vacant**

*TPO = Technical Project Officer*

# BIL Plan Submission & Approval Status 7/31/23

WAP BIL 2022	BIL 15% (SF424 and SF424A) Due 7/1	BIL 35% (Full Plan) Due 10/1	BIL 50% - Upon meeting milestones
Approved: Full Unconditional Award of Application Based on WPN BIL 22-2	56	41	0
Tech Eval sent to FAO Specialist: In FAO Specialist Review/ Cost Price Review/ Peer Review/ Contracting Officer Review	0	8	0
Application Submitted: In WAP Project Officer Review/ Grantee Resolution of DOE Questions	0	3	0
Awaiting Application to be Submitted or Resubmit Rejected Application by Grantee	1	4	0



# PY '23 Formula Award Submission & Approval Status 7/31/23

WAP Formula 2023	April 1 Grantees	July 1 Grantees
Approved: Full Unconditional Award of Application Based on WPN 23-2	11	28
Tech Eval sent to FAO Specialist: In FAO Specialist Review/ Cost Price Review/ Peer Review/ Contracting Officer Review	0	10
Application Submitted: In WAP Project Officer Review/ Grantee Resolution of DOE Questions	0	3
Awaiting Application to be Submitted or Resubmit Rejected Application by Grantee	0	5

# Weatherization Assistance Program

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## Retrofits

BIL  
\$3.2B WAP

FY23  
\$299M WAP \$30M  
Readiness

## Innovation

BIL  
\$25M E&I  
\$70M SERC

FY23  
\$19.5M E&I  
\$6.5M SERC

## T&TA

BIL  
\$125M

FY23  
\$10M

# Recent DOE Guidance

## WPNs:

- [WPN 21-4](#) WAP Close out Procedures
- [WPN 23-7](#) SERC Grant Modification Guidance

## WAP Memos:

- [Memo 104](#) Build America, Buy America requirement
- [Memo 105](#) Intent to Release BIL Competitive Grant FOA
- [Memo 106](#) Allowable Use of T&TA for NASCSP Conference
- [Memo 107](#) Allowable Use of T&TA for NCAP Conference
- [Memo 108](#) BIL E&I FOA



## WPN 21-4 Revised

# WAP Close out Procedures

- Effective date: 3/24/2023
- Supersedes WPN 21-4
- **“REVISION: The COVID-19 pandemic generated an unprecedented burden across the WAP network, limiting Grantee and Subgrantee abilities to perform weatherization work in client homes, increasing costs, and challenging the workforce. Therefore, DOE will make a one-time emergency exception to the calculation of the average cost per unit (ACPU) whereby the average cost per unit will be calculated using all five years of the awards production and expenditures (Program Year (PY) 2017-2021) utilizing the PY 2021 ACPU limit (\$7,776). “**
- Attachments
  - [Tangible Personal Property Report SF-428](#)
  - [EERE G 413.353: Returning Funds to the Department of Energy](#)





## WPN 23-7

# SERC Grant Modification Guidance

- Effective date: 6/21/2023
- Supersedes WPN 22-11
- SERC awardees must modify their existing PY 2023 Grantee Plans to include SERC award information
- By 8/1/23, PY '23 applications must
  - SF-424-A: Attach SERC Plan to budget, SERC funds added to the Grantee's total PY 2023 budget
  - SF-424-B: There are four additional budget categories available. Update to include SERC activities
  - Annual File: SERC Subgrantees, planned units, energy savings

## Memo 104

# Build America, Buy America requirement

- 5/18/2023
- Applies to:
  - WAP Annual Formula Grants (PY 22 and beyond)
  - WAP BIL Grants
  - WAP Competitive Grants (E&I, SERC, CSPP)
- “Per BABA requirements, most projects typically addressed by WAP will not be subject to these requirements. Only weatherization on public housing, or on privately owned buildings that serve a public function are required to comply with the BABA requirements.”
- BABA requirements must flow down to all sub-awards, contracts, subcontracts, and purchase orders...
- Site Specific Waivers can be applied for with your P.O.

## Memo 105

# Intent to Release BIL Competitive Grant FOA

- 5/18/2023
- Intent to issue a \$25 million FOA – BIL WAP Enhancement & Innovation
- 5 purposes as established by Congress
  - Expand number of dwelling units weatherized by making units Weatherization Ready
  - Promote deployment of renewable energy
  - Ensure healthy indoor environments
  - Disseminate new methods and best practices
  - Encourage workforce development by hiring individuals from communities being served and/or disadvantaged communities
- WAP anticipates that the FOA may include the following topic areas
  - Multifamily Housing
  - Single Family & Manufactured Housing
  - Workforce Development



## Memos [106](#) and [107](#)

- [Memo 106](#) Allowable Use of T&TA for NASCSP Conference
- [Memo 107](#) Allowable Use of T&TA for NCAP Conference



## Memo 108

# BIL Enhancement and Innovation Funding Opportunity Announcement

- 6/27/2023
- \$25 million FOA – BIL WAP Enhancement & Innovation
- Maximum grant of \$2 million
- Concept Paper due: 8/31/2023 by 5:00 PM ET
- Full Application due: 1/5/2024 by 5:00 PM ET
- 5 purposes as established by Congress
  - Expand number of dwelling units weatherized by making units Weatherization Ready
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  - Ensure healthy indoor environments
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# Updates and Resources

- **DOE Tool and Training to Support Justice40**
- DOE has launched a free online training course for the WAP network called "Using DOE's Energy Justice Mapping Tool to Enhance Weatherization Programs."
- <https://wap.litmos.com>.

- The National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) is seeking input on resources and tools that help energy auditors be successful while in the field. Your insights will help NREL compile a more comprehensive and effective resource library.
- The [feedback form](#) should take 5-10 minutes to complete. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact [cory.chovanec@nrel.gov](mailto:cory.chovanec@nrel.gov).

# Member Poll:

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**Who is considering applying for a BIL E&I Grant?**

- Yes
- No
- Under consideration



# **Jeff Heino, NASCSP WAP Chair**

- Updates from  
Board and DOE  
Meetings





# OPEN DISCUSSION



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