

Memorandum

DATE: November 18, 2024

WAP Memorandum 139

REPLY TO

ATTN OF: **Carrie Smith, Readiness and Retrofit Program Manager, Weatherization Assistance Program**

SUBJECT: **WAP Formula Update for Program Year 2025**

TO: **Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) Grantees**

INTENDED

AUDIENCE: **WAP Grantee Program Managers**

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) determines annual Grantee allocations in accordance with the formula in [10 CFR 440.10](#) based on the fiscal year budget authorized by Congress. The *Population Factor*, *Climatic Factor*, and *Residential Expenditure* are the factors of this formula, which vary by data availability.

The following data were updated by their respective organizations, and will apply to the PY 2025 allocations:

- *Population Factor*: The number of low-income households, per state and the number of low-income households nationwide, is based on the U.S. Census American Community Survey (ACS), which is updated every 5 years. Supplementary data covering the U.S. Virgin Islands and Pacific Island territories are updated by the Census Bureau every 10 years.
- *Climatic Factor*: The 30-year, population weighted averages, of heating and cooling degree days, provided by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) National Climatic Data Center (NCDC) which update every 10 years; and the Energy Information Administration's (EIA's) Energy Consumption and Expenditures; Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS), updated every 3-5 years.
- *Residential Expenditure Factor*: Total residential low-income household energy expenditures by Grantee, and residential energy expenditures per low-income household by Grantee, provided by EIA's RECS, which is updated every 3-5 years.

WAP is operating under a short-term Continuing Resolution (CR) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2025, expiring December 20, 2024. DOE is unable to issue WPN 25-2 Program Year 2025 Grantee Allocations until a budget is passed by Congress and signed by the President. In prior years, DOE has instructed Grantees to use the previous year's Grantee Allocations for planning purposes along with the annual application instructions. For PY 2025 planning purposes, DOE is providing estimated Grantee allocations at the PY 2024 funding level using updated data.

Once a budget is passed and signed by the President, PY 2025 allocations of appropriated WAP funds will be issued via WPN 25-2: Program Year 2025 Grantee Allocations.

Questions regarding these materials should be directed to your respective DOE Project Officer.

Attachment: PY 2025 Planning Estimates