

MICK PRINCE WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM MANAGER



- Started in energy efficiency as a crew leader at a local agency
- Moved on to the state level as a technical training specialist
- Now works as the State Manager for the Illinois Weatherization Program



THE IDEA OF IWX

- Weatherworks
 - Custom system
 - Electronic audit
 - Built in 1999-2001
- IWx was an update to an existing system
- Amy Park
 - Weatherization Systems Requirement Document
 - 2010
 - Coincided with release of iPad









ATTEMPTS TO REPLACE WEATHERWORKS

- 2012: RFP
 - "Too expensive" (\$4 million)
- 2017: ISAC
 - 1-Year Contract
 - Decided not to renew
- 2020: University of Illinois
 - No IT Project Manager
- 2021: Oracle Platform, Apex IT



ACCESSIBILITY

- Wanted the application to be available to everyone
 - Do it yourself, online
 - In-person or phone call no longer required to apply for weatherization
- Intake sites still available for those who want them
- 1/3 of applications now completed online

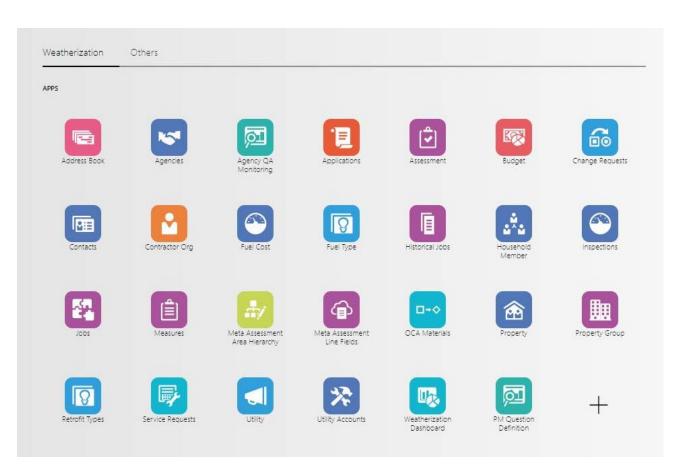








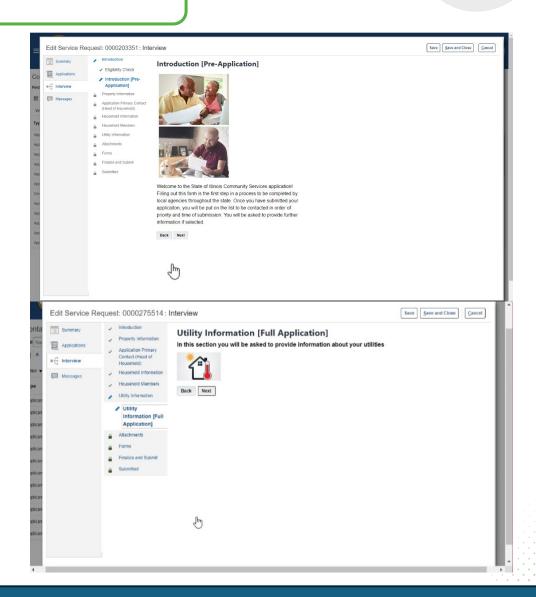
- Pre-Application/Application
- Assessment
- Catalogs
- Scope of Work
- Inspections
- Call Backs
- Change Orders
- Quality Assurance Monitoring
- Programmatic Monitoring





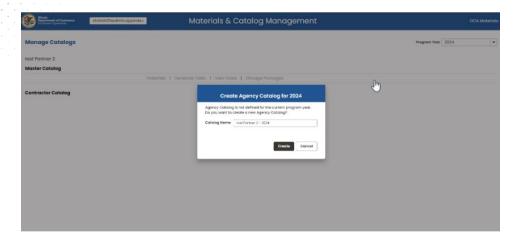
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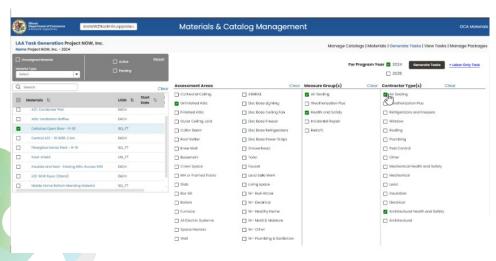
- Pre-application:
 - Minimal information
 - Prioritize clients into online waiting list
- We only ask for full applications from the number of clients we predict to serve in a year
 - Plus a few extra in the event of deferrals
- From there, the application gets approved
 - Someone goes in and verifies that all the application information and all the documents are correct and accurate
 - The system will assist by looking at a categorical eligibility like income thresholds

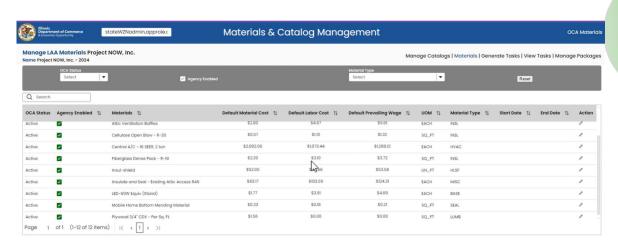


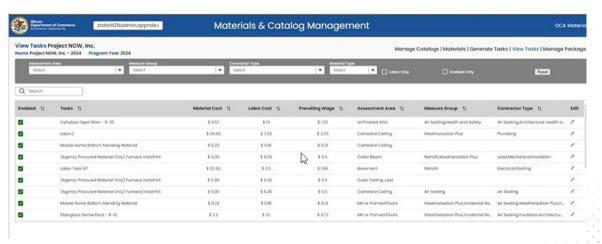


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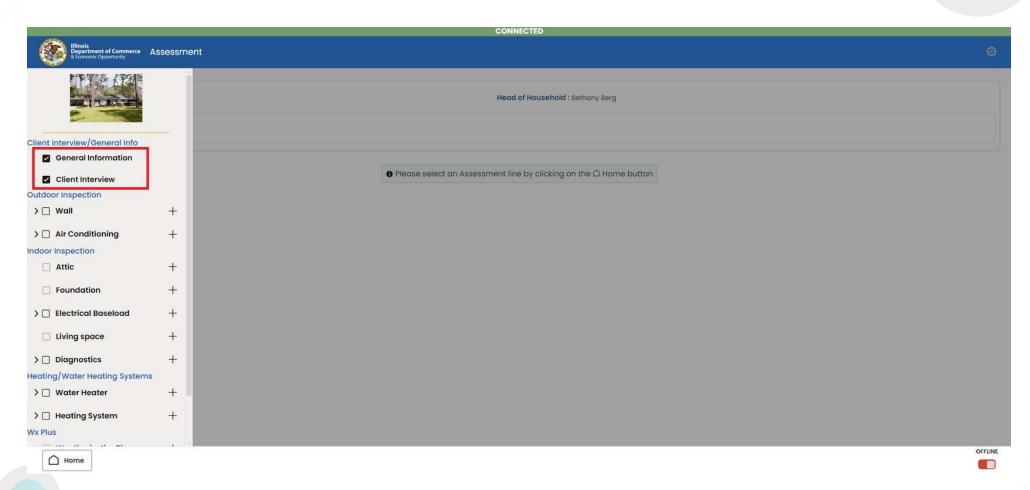




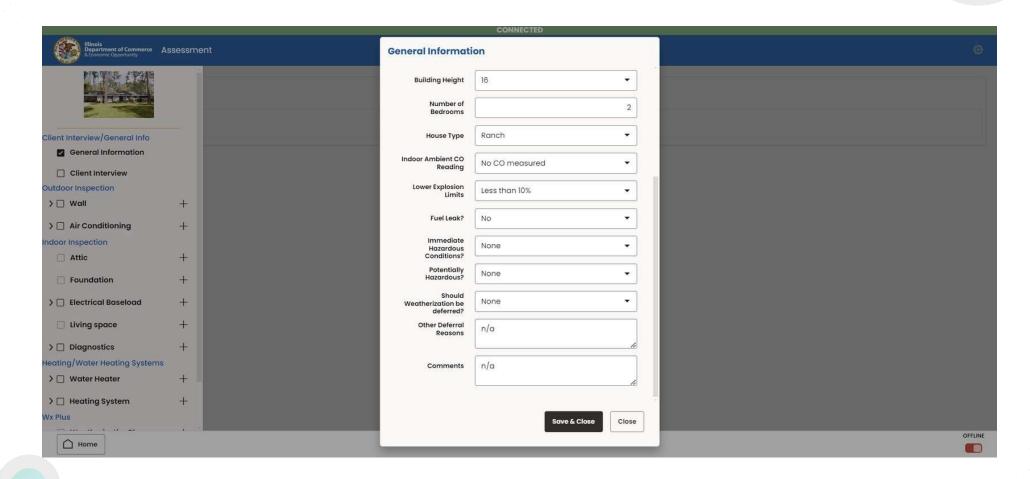




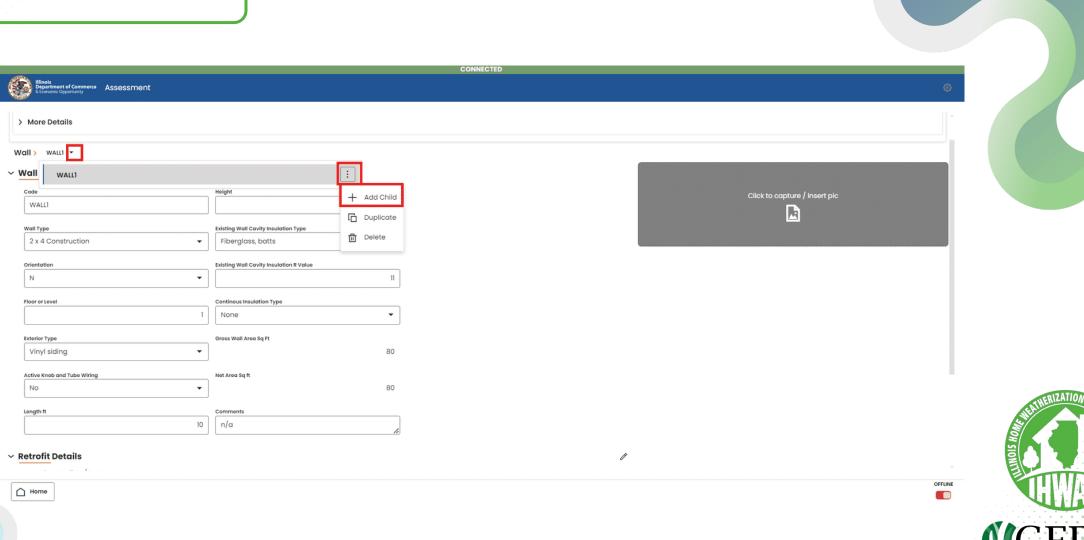




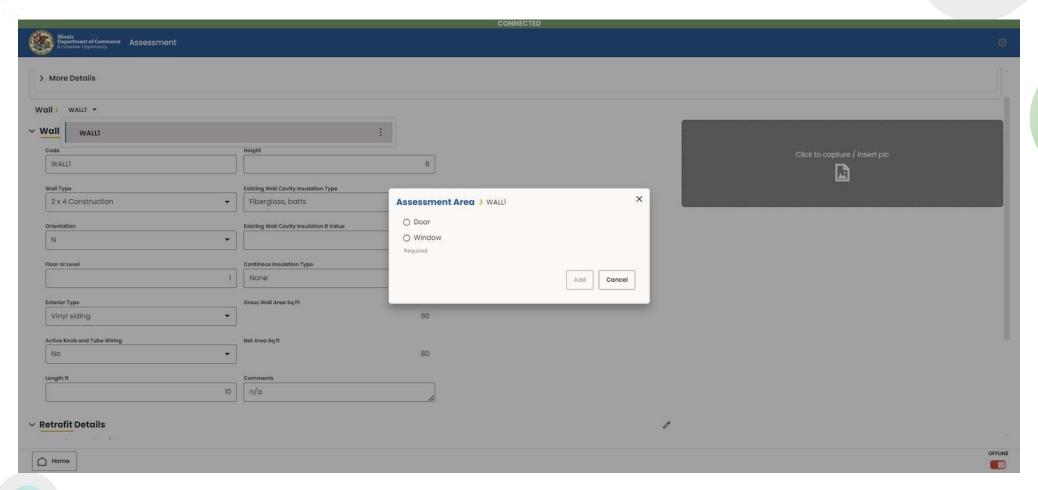








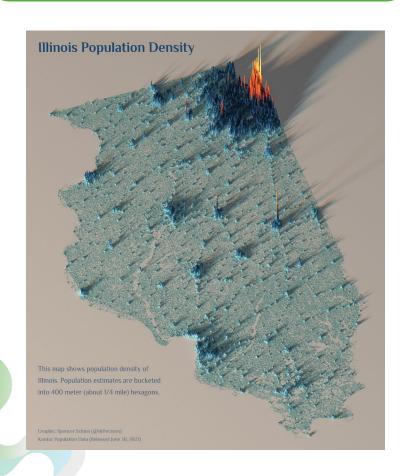




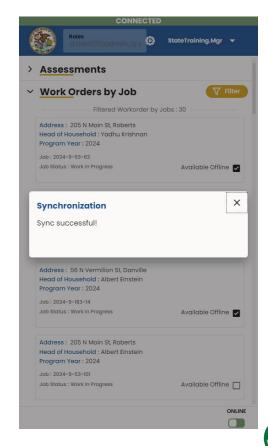




ASSESSMENT: OFFLINE CAPABILITIES

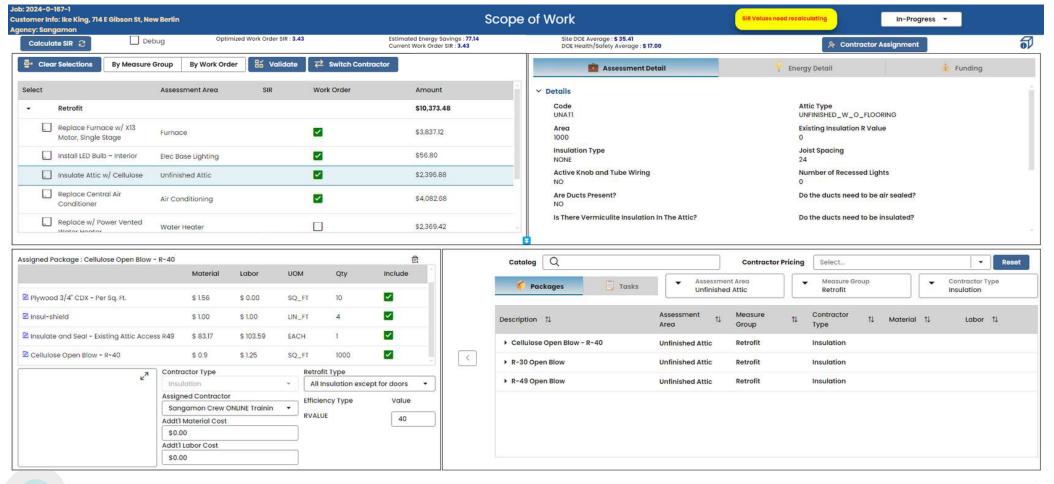






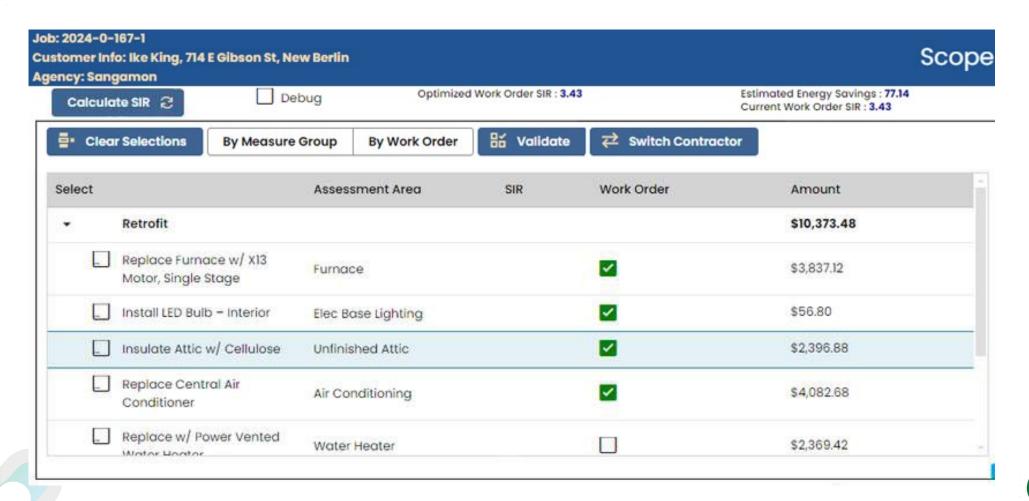


SCOPE OF WORK





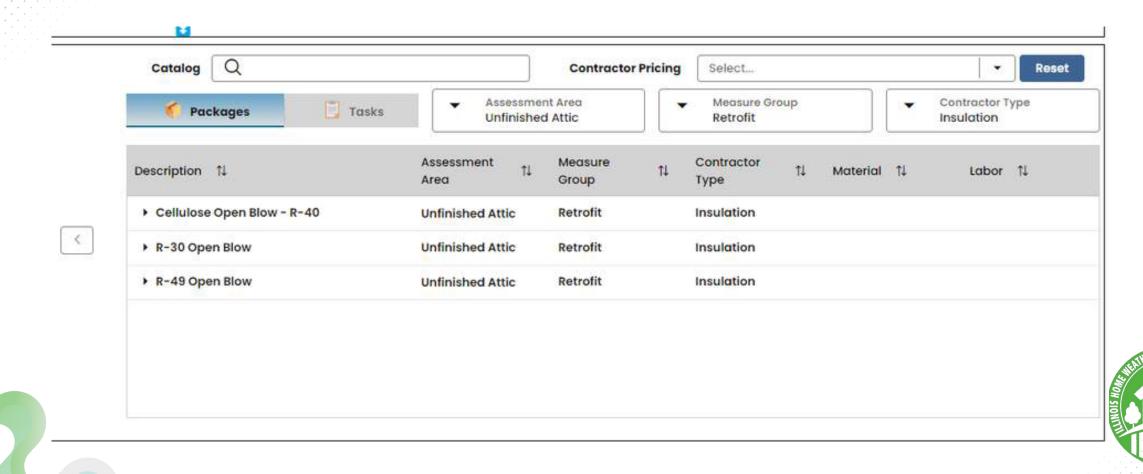


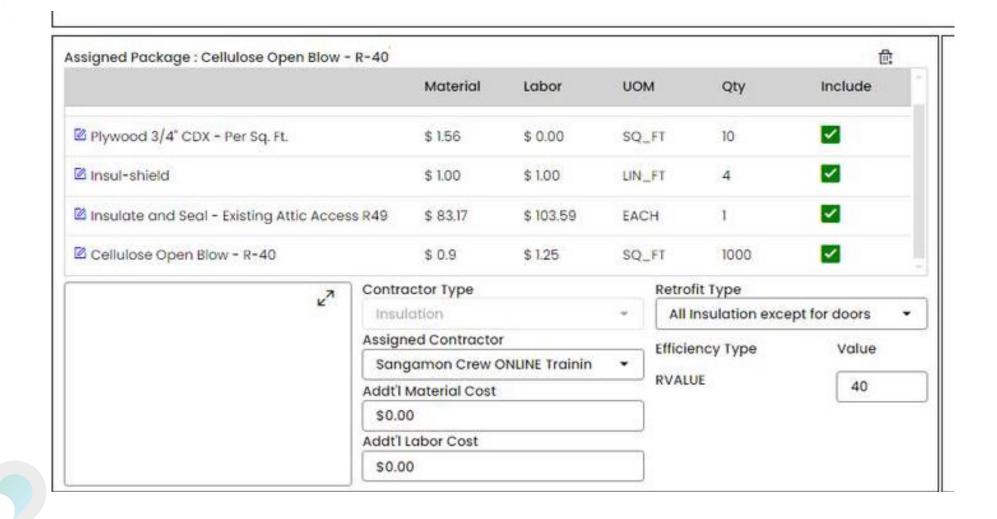






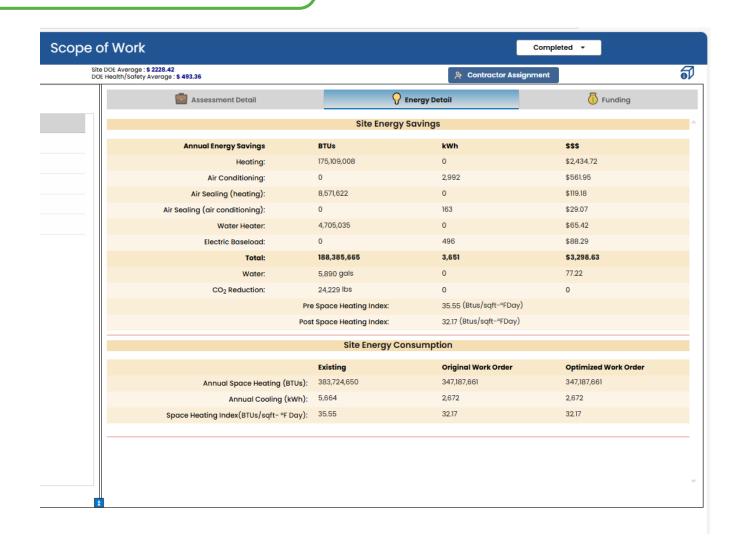






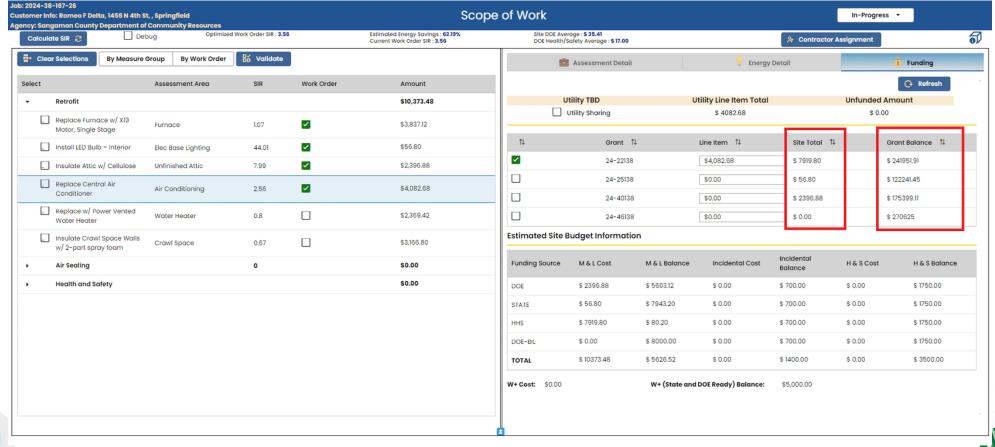


SCOPE OF WORK QUADRANT 2: ENERGY DETAIL





SCOPE OF WORK QUADRANT 2: FUNDING



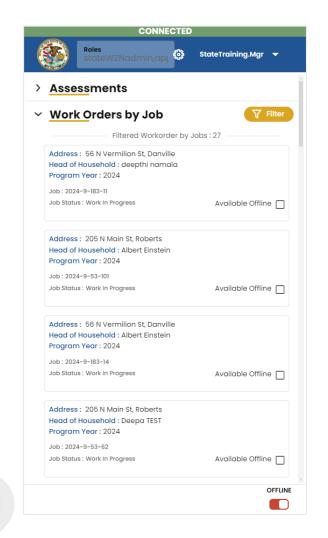
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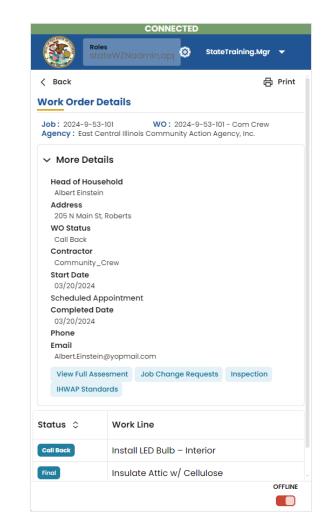


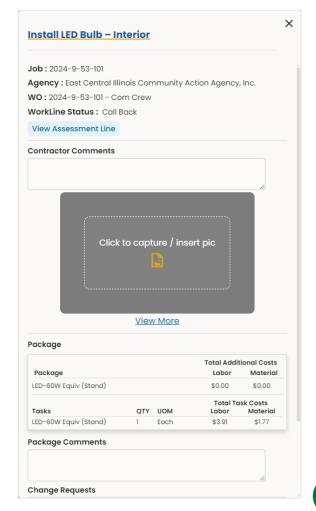




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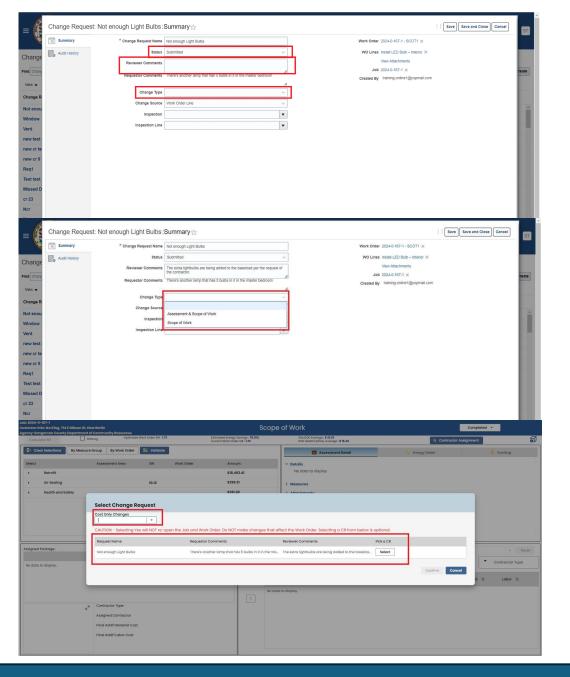








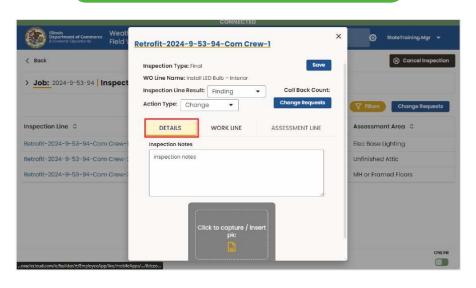
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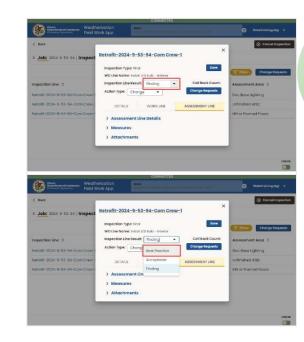


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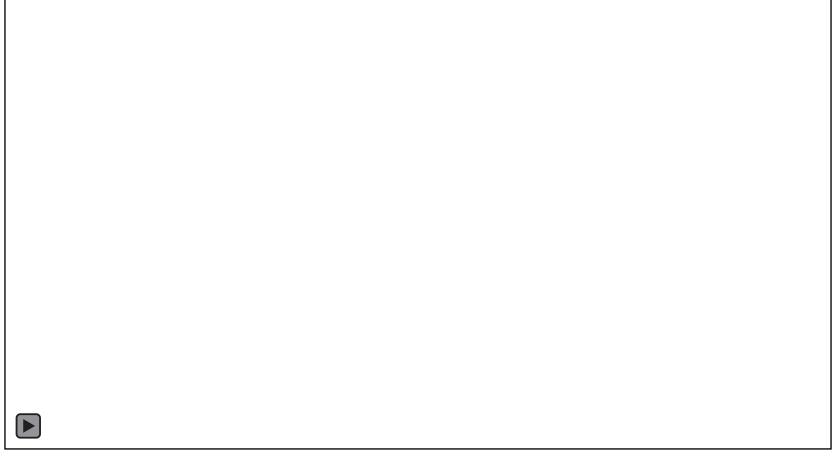
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Inspection Line © Retrofit-2024-9-53-94-Com Crew-	WO Line Name: Install LED Bulb - Interior Inspection Line Result: est Practice Call Back Count: Action Type: Select one Change Requests	Change Requests Assessment Area Elec Base Lighting
Retrofit-2024-9-53-94-Com Crew-1	DETAILS WORK LINE ASSESSMENT LINE	Unfinished Attic
Retrofit-2024-9-53-94-Com Craw-	> Assessment Line Details > Measures > Attachments	MH or Framed Floors
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CALL BACKS

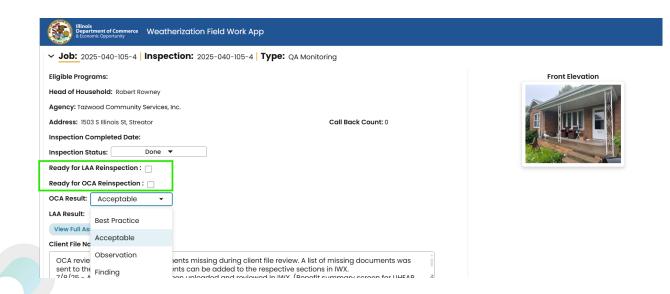
- If an inspector notes something wrong during the inspection, they can request a call back.
- This reopens the contractor's work order, with inspection comments.

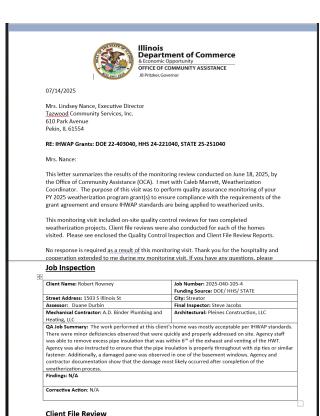




QUALITY ASSURANCE MONITORING

- At least one job in "Done" status
- Create a QA inspection
- Determine whether each line item is Best Practice, Acceptable, Observation, or Finding
- Observation/Finding = Call Back or Change Order
- Generate report





documents was sent to the agency so the documents can be added to the respective sections in IWX

eligibility, complete Desk Audit form, and Contractor Assurance of Work).

7/8/25 - All documentation has been uploaded and reviewed in IWX. (Benefit summary screen for LIHEAP

Funding Source: DOE/ HHS/ STATE



PROGRAMMATIC MONITORING

 Monitoring conducted by OCA weatherization specialists to ensure compliance with all IHWAP programmatic requirements









CHALLENGES

Challenges:

- Workload
- Bandwidth
- Organizational structures (procurement, subcontractors, IT department)
- System bugs

Would we do it all over again?

- For us, this *had* to be done
 - Weatherworks was coming to an end, and the new system had to be in place before it did
- In our opinion, IWx was worth it
 - It depends what your goals are
- If you want to build a system like this, IWx can serve as a blueprint for your energy modeling system
 - You don't have to start from scratch



KEY TAKEAWAYS

- 1. Do a discovery
- 2. Have subject matter experts
- 3. Vet your contractors thoroughly
- 4. Have the right people on your team
- 5. Know your capabilities
- 6. Have specific deliverables and milestones
- 7. Timing
- 8. Budget
- 9. Have training in mind from the beginning
- 10. Have a project manager on your side
- 11. Don't take "NO" for an answer from developers



CONCLUSION

