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Keep cool in the summer and warm in winter with free weatherization services Energy efficiency measures save your wallet in all seasons

Aurora, Colo. – While there have been record high temperatures this summer, Coloradoans know that when it comes to the weather, if you wait five minutes, it will change.

No matter what the weather, the Arapahoe County Weatherization Division, in partnership with the Colorado Energy Office, can help you beat the summer heat and the winter cold with free weatherization services that help make homes more energy-efficient and comfortable for low-income households in both Arapahoe and Adams counties.

Weatherization involves installing energy-efficiency upgrades in a home that can help keep the indoor temperature more consistent, reduce energy waste, and can lower monthly utility bills. These services are available to low-income households earning up to 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline (\$3,975 gross per month for a family of four).

"We want to continue to help citizens save money where they can," said Arapahoe County Commissioner Bill Holen. "Energy-efficiency measures will benefit you and your family year after year and keep the heat outside while maintaining your home at a more consistent, comfortable temperature."

Each home receives a free home energy audit to determine what energy saving services the home needs. Qualified energy auditors also perform health and safety tests on the combustion appliances to ensure they are operating safely. Based on the home energy audit, free weatherization services may include adding insulation to the attic, walls, and/or crawl space; sealing major air leaks; installing high-efficiency compact fluorescent light bulbs; and, making necessary repairs to furnaces and water heaters.

Weatherization assistance is available to single-family homes, mobile homes, and multi-family units. Applicants may rent or own their homes. Arapahoe County's Weatherization Division has been providing energy conservation services for over thirty years, and has weatherized 5,354 homes since 2009.

For more information or to apply for weatherization services, please contact the Arapahoe County Weatherization Division at 303-636-1982 or visit www.arapahoegov.com. Funding for weatherization services is provided by the Colorado Energy Office and the U.S. Department of Energy Denver Regional Office.

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