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Arapahoe County celebrates energy savings on Weatherization Day *Recognizing energy efficiency measures helping citizens year-round*

Littleton, Colo. – Arapahoe County commemorates Gov. Hickenlooper's proclamation declaring Oct. 30 to be Weatherization Day in Colorado recognizing the incentives offered to homeowners and helping citizens save energy and money year-round.

Arapahoe County's Weatherization Division has been providing energy conservation services for more than 30 years and has weatherized more than 5,000 homes since 2009.

"Weatherization Day serves as a reminder that the work our specialists do year-round to help individuals and families live in safe, healthy and energy-efficient homes is extremely important," said Arapahoe County Commissioner Nancy Jackson. "Our specialists not only provide fixes that allow for a more comfortable living, but long-term solutions to reduce the high energy burden faced by low-income families."

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.

The program provides services to low-income households in Arapahoe and Adams Counties earning up to 200 percent of the federal poverty guideline (\$4,041.66 gross per month for a family of four).

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.

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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