

## Energy Assistance

Do you need help paying your utility bills?

Do you want to weatherize your home?

[Pictures: Man on roof, man monitoring the temperature of a ceiling vent]

Energy assistance programs help low-income households reduce electric, heating, and cooling expenses.

The Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program may pay a portion of your utility bills.

For more information go to the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs “Help for Texans” website: <http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us/texans.htm>.

1. Select ‘Utility Bill Help’
2. Enter your city or county
3. Select ‘Find Help’

[Picture: Woman with energy saving light bulb]

The Public Utility Commission of Texas also has programs to help with utility bills, such as “LITE-UP Texas” and “Lifeline.”

Call 1-866-454-8387 for more information.

[Pictures: Man with stack of bags of insulation, woman teaching homeowner how to use programmable thermostat, caulking a window, tape measure showing level of insulation, measuring temperature of air coming out of a vent, measuring efficiency of stove, insulation being blown in attic, patching roof, caulking, adding insulation, holes in duct work, window air conditioner, torch outside, cooling system showing the energy rating, water heater tag, and hot water heater]

The Weatherization Program is designed to help low-income households control their energy costs by installing weatherization materials and through education.

The goal is to reduce your energy cost burden through energy efficiency.

The Weatherization Program provides:

-A review of your home’s energy efficiency, which identifies where air leaks may be occurring. Inefficient appliances are often the culprit.

-Installation of weatherization measures to increase the energy efficiency of your home – only if the structure can benefit from being weatherized.

-Weatherization work, which may include caulking; weather-stripping; adding ceiling, wall and floor insulation; patching holes; ductwork; and tune-up, repair or replacement of inefficient heating and cooling systems.

- The weatherization measures must meet specific energy savings goals.

The Weatherization Program also provides ideas for saving energy in your home.

Priority is given to aging Texans, people with disabilities, families with young children, households with high energy consumption, and homes with the highest energy costs in relation to income.

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