



WEATHERIZATION GRANT GUIDELINES

FUNDING	UTILITIES	MAXIMUMS	ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS	FUNDING CYCLE
BPA	Consumer Owned Electric Utilities Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Up to 10% of allocation for administration.Up to 30% per total BPA dwelling cost on average for H&S measures.Up to 30% per total BPA dwelling cost on average for energy related repairs.All cost-effective measures may be completed. No per unit expenditure average.Energy Star clothes washers & dryers are deemed cost effective up to \$800.Ductless Heat Pumps (HSPF2) are deemed cost effective up to \$6,000.Conventional Heat Pumps (HSPF2 and SEER2) are deemed cost effective up to \$9,000.Heat Pump Water Heaters are deemed cost effective. 40-gal up to \$2,800; Tier 3 & 4 up to \$3,000.100% of refrigerator cost100% of LED cost (No CFL's).200% of FPL income limit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">BPA funds can be used with, or in conjunction with LIHEAP and USDOE funding. <u>Cannot be used with ECHO funds.</u>BPA funds from OHCS may be combined on a project with local utility BPA funds; however, BPA funds from OHCS cannot be combined with direct utility BPA funds on <u>individual measures.</u>Re-weatherization is allowed.Major conservation measures may be completed on BPA homes that have electric heat as the primary heat source.Baseload measures may be completed on BPA homes that primarily heat with other fuel types.Existing non-energy star clothes washers may be replaced with Energy Star clothes washers.Deemed measures must not exceed the dollar limit and cannot be combined with any other BPA utility funding source. If the total cost exceeds the dollar limit, the entire amount may be included in the SIR, or the costs more than the dollar limit may be bought down using appropriate funds.LIHEAP funds and non-federal unrestricted funds may be used to “buy down” BPA measure costs.A cost-effective energy conservation measure must be completed before any H&S funds may be expended. The cost-effective measure does <u>not</u> have to utilize BPA funding.Fuel switching is allowed with OHCS approval.EIA averaged utility rates must be used to determine cost effectiveness. It is allowable to use current utility rates if they are higher, must be documented. Current EIA rates.ASHRAE compliance not required if baseload/energy ed only is completed and acceptable indoor air quality exists.	<p>October 1 -September 30 allocated annually.</p> <p>All funding must be expended within the program year.</p> <p>Final Inspection must be completed, and all measures passed by September 30.</p> <p><u>QCI required for all inspections.</u></p> <p>See the BPA memorandum for further detail</p>
DOE	FUEL BLIND – Can be used on all fuel types/utilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Average per unit expenditure average of \$8,497.Up to 15% of program allocation for H&S measures.Up to 15% of allocation for administration.200% of FPL income limit.T&TA funds may be utilized to purchase Energy Education materials.Electrical repairs limited to \$2,500.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">DOE funds may be used in conjunction with all other OHCS funding sources except <u>BIL</u> funding.Other OHCS funding sources used on individual measures may be bought down with appropriate funds.If DOE funds are used on any job in any amount, all USDOE guidelines must be followed.Re-weatherization is allowed 15 years after completion date. DOE funds may not be used for call backs.Other federal funds (LIHEAP) may <u>not</u> be used to “buy down” measure costs.LIHEAP may be used to pay for an <u>entire</u> measure that does not have an SIR of 1.0 on a DOE project.Non-federal unrestricted funds may be used “buy down” DOE measure costs.Fuel switching is allowed with the OHCS approval.EIA averaged utility rates must be used to determine cost effectiveness. It is allowable to use current utility rates if they are higher, must be documented. Current EIA rates.	<p>July 1-June 30 allocated annually.</p> <p>All funding must be expended within the program year.</p> <p>Final Inspection must be completed, and all measures passed by June 30.</p>

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plumbing repairs limited to \$1,500• Eligible for WRF.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A cost-effective energy conservation measure must be completed before any H&S funds may be expended on a project. The cost-effective measure does <u>not</u> have to utilize DOE funding.• ASHRAE compliance required if any DOE funds are expended on a project.• Buy American: Buy American Act applies to BIL funds. Projects must either be publicly owned or serve a public function to fall under the Buy American Act. Refer to WX Memo 2024-5	<p><u>QCI required for all inspections</u></p> <p>See the USDOE State Plan for further detail</p>
ECHO	Pacific Power and Portland General Electric only	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No per unit expenditure average.• Up to 20% of ECHO program allocation for H&S measures.• Electrical & plumbing H&S measure limits do not apply.• Up to 15% of allocation for administration.• Ductless Heat Pumps are deemed cost effective up to \$6,000.• Conventional Heat Pumps are deemed cost effective up to \$9,000.• Heat Pump Water Heaters are deemed cost effective. 40-gal up to \$2,800; Tier 3 & 4 up to \$3,000• 200% of FPL income limit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All available federal low-income weatherization grant funds <u>EXCEPT Bonneville Power Administration (BPA)</u> can be used with, or in conjunction with, ECHO Funds.• ECHO funds from OHCS may be combined on a project with ETO funds; however, ECHO funds from OHCS cannot be combined with ETO funds on individual measures, <u>excluding</u> agencies that are participating in pilot programs with ETO.• Re-weatherizing homes is allowed. A home may be weatherized two times with ECHO funds. A single measure can only be completed once.• One grouped SIR will be utilized for the entire project. Refer to WX Memo 2017-5 for details. Unless DOE/BIL DOE/ECHO Braiding Protocol is being used. Refer to WX Memo 2025-2.• Major conservation measures (wall, floor, ceiling insulation, etc.) may be completed on ECHO homes that have electric heat as a primary heat source.• Baseload measures (LED’s, refrigerators, etc.) may be completed on ECHO homes that primarily heat with other fuel types.• LIHEAP funds and non-federal unrestricted funds may be used to “buy down” ECHO measure costs.• Fuel switching from bulk fuel sources is allowed <u>without</u> OHCS approval. Fuel switching from metered fuels require OHCS approval. Refer to WX Memo 22-3 for details.• EIA averaged utility rates must be used to determine cost effectiveness. It is allowable to use current utility rates if they are higher, must be documented. Current EIA rates.• ASHRAE compliance not required if only baseload/energy ed activities are completed and acceptable indoor air quality exists.	<p>July 1-June 30 allocated Annually</p> <p>Up to 10% of each category may be rolled annually.</p> <p>See the ECHO Guidelines for further detail</p>

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LIHEAP	FUEL BLIND - Can be used on all fuel types/utilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No per unit expenditure average.• No limit on total H&S.• Electrical & plumbing H&S measure limits do not apply.• Up to 7.5% of allocation for administration.• 200% of FPL income limit.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• LIHEAP funds may be used in conjunction with all other OHCS funding sources.• No SIR requirement.• All conservation measures completed with LIHEAP must be included in the REM/Design improvement analysis.• <u>Cannot</u> be used to “buy down” the cost of measures funded with DOE/BIL funds.• <u>Can</u> be used to pay the entire cost of individual energy conservation measures that do not meet an SIR of 1.0 on projects that include DOE funds.• <u>Can</u> be used to “buy down” the cost of ECHO & BPA measures.• <u>Can</u> be blended with all other grants on individual measures when the measure is cost effective.• Fuel switching is allowed with LIHEAP funds with the OHCS approval.• Can be used for <u>energy related</u> repairs outside of the SIR calculation.• Re-weatherization is allowed.• Permanently installed Air Conditioning systems may be installed as a H&S measure.• ASHRAE not required if baseload/energy Ed only is completed, and acceptable indoor air quality exists.	<p>October 1-September 30 allocated Annually.</p> <p>Up to 10% of each category may be rolled annually.</p>
DOE BIL	FUEL BLIND - Can be used on all fuel types/utilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Average per unit expenditure average of \$ 8,497.• Up to 15% of program allocation for H&S measures.• Up to 15% of allocation for administration.• 200% of FPL income limit.• Electrical repairs limited to \$2,500.• Plumbing repairs limited to \$1,500• Eligible for WRF.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• DOE BIL funds may be used in conjunction with all other OHCS funding sources except DOE annual funding.• Other OHCS funding sources used on individual measures may be bought down with appropriate funds.• If BIL funds are used on any job in any amount, all USDOE guidelines must be followed.• Re-weatherization is allowed 15 years after completion date. BIL funds may not be used for call backs.• Other federal funds (LIHEAP) may <u>not</u> be used to “buy down” measure costs.• LIHEAP may be used to pay for an <u>entire</u> measure that does not have an SIR of 1.0 on a BIL project.• Non-federal unrestricted funds may be used “buy down” BIL measure costs.• Fuel switching is allowed with the OHCS approval.• EIA averaged utility rates must be used to determine cost effectiveness. It is allowable to use current utility rates if they are higher, must be documented. Current EIA rates.• A cost-effective energy conservation measure must be completed before any H&S funds may be expended on a project. The cost-effective measure does <u>not</u> have to utilize BIL funding.	<p>July 1, 2022 -June 30, 2029</p> <p>Final Inspection must be completed, and all measures passed by June 30, 2027.</p> <p>Allocations</p> <p>15% upon first approved application</p> <p>35% upon second approved application</p> <p>50% allocated by USDOE upon completion of 30% of projected production as well as general compliance with the grant requirements.</p> <p><u>QCI required for all inspections</u></p> <p>See the USDOE-BIL State Plan for further detail</p>

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