

# The Recovery Act Weatherization Leveraged Partnerships and Performance Assistance Project

***What is "Leveraging"?*** The word means: using the resources of the program and its organizations, such as people, time, skills, good reputation and funding, to attract more complementary resources.

Project funding from the Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program supports technical assistance, training and other resources for local Weatherizers. The Project runs from 2010 to 2013.

All the products are focused on building local and statewide capacity to initiate and manage effective partnerships that expand the extent and impact of Weatherization Assistance investments. The wide range of resources includes:

## A. The Leveraged Partnerships Web Site: [www.weatherizationplus.org](http://www.weatherizationplus.org)

- **Action Steps Page:** How to get started and how to develop your winning strategy
- **Partnerships Page:** How different leveraged partnerships work in case studies, reports, and briefs:
  - Utility Partnerships;
  - Financing for Affordable Housing Partnerships, Sustainable Development Projects;
  - Renewable Energy Project Funding;
  - Fee-for-Service ventures.
- **Applied Tools Page:** Materials to customize
  - Instructions and templates for advocating at utility commissions and for negotiations with potential partners;
  - Material on regulatory and legal issues affecting partnerships.
- **Background Data:** Pages to support local analysis and presentations
- **News**

## B. Individualized Technical Assistance

- **Individualized on-demand consultation** when opportunities arise, and entrepreneurial Weatherizers need input, material, tools, contacts and ideas.
- **Building leveraging capacity** in statewide Weatherization Associations
- **Facilitating exchanges information about promising practices and innovations** among local and state Weatherization networks to share
- **Developing linkages to other national networks and industry groups** that may have an interest in promoting residential energy efficiency.

## C. Support for performance and delivery of ARRA-Weatherization

- **Analysis and news of emerging innovations in funding and delivering** residential efficiency services, clean energy, and sustainable low-income community development.
- **Identifying and disseminating solutions adopted by Weatherizers** to expand their capacity for delivering excellent efficiency services

## D. Workshops and Webinars [See a schedule at [www.opportunitystudies.org](http://www.opportunitystudies.org)]

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