FACT SHEET



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Home Energy Retrofit Opportunities for Seniors Program (NRS 701A.450)

As part of Governor Brian Sandoval's effort to promote energy efficiency in the State, the Nevada Governor's Office of Energy (GOE) with support from the Nevada Housing Division (NHD) are proud to administer the H.E.R.O.S. program that provides funding and technical assistance for low-income seniors to make their homes more energy efficient. Funded by NRS 701A.450, the HEROS program provides energy efficient upgrades at no cost to the eligible homeowner.

- Energy Savings: Since the program's inception, 132 homes in Nevada were upgraded to become more energy efficient through the weatherization assistance program. On average, 5,060 kWh of electricity and 310 Therms of natural gas are saved in each home annually.
- Financial Benefits to Homeowners: Upgrading homes to be more energy efficient saves each of these low-income Nevada homeowners an average of \$800 in electricity and gas costs each year. Energy upgrades resulted in an average energy reduction of 30% in each home creating significant savings.
- Improved Health and Comfort: Investments in energy efficiency can create healthier and more comfortable living environments, lowering incidences of asthma and other illnesses.
- Quality Assurance: All contractors performing energy upgrades are Building Performance Institute certified and licensed by the State of Nevada to protect the homeowner.
- Nevada Jobs and Partnerships: Partnering with NHD, energy efficient assessments and upgrades involving 10 contractors and 37 **Efficiency Test Equipment** staff statewide. Other partners include the Nevada Rural Housing Authority, Rural Nevada Development Corporation, Community Services Agency, Urban League, Neighborhood Services, and HELP of Southern Nevada.



Figure 1. Blower Door Home Energy

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List of Eligible Measures

- 1. Duct Sealing
- 2. Shell Sealing
- 3. Air Conditioner/Evaporative Cooler Covers
- 4. Exhaust Fan w/Dampers
- 5. Broken Window Repair
- 6. Water Heater Blanket
- 7. Dual Pane Windows
- 8. Solar Screen (Southern Nevada Only)
- 9. Attic Insulation
- 10. CFL or LED Retrofits
- 11. Energy Star Rated Refrigerator from Approved Contractor
- 12. Air Conditioner Replacement
- 13. Furnace 95% AFUE Replacement
- 14. Air Conditioner Clean & Tune or repair
- 15. Furnace Clean & Tune or repair
- 16. Heat Pump Replacement
- 17. Water Heater Replacement
- 18. Heat Pump Clean & Tune or repair
- 19. Low Flow Showerhead or Faucets
- 20. Water Heater Pipe Wrap and Water Heater Blanket
- 21. Elastomeric Coating & Polyisocyanurate foam
- 22. Floor Insulation
- 23. Duct Insulation
- 24. Heat Pump Water Heater
- 25. Programmable thermostat installation