

FACT SHEET



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Home Energy Retrofit Opportunities for Seniors (HEROS) Program

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 HEROS 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:** In the first nine months, **92** homes in Nevada were upgraded to become more energy efficient through the weatherization assistance program. On average, **3,684 kWh** of electricity and **296 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 **\$671** 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 a healthier and more comfortable living environment within the home, lowering incidences of asthma and other illnesses.
- **Quality Assurance:** All contractors performing energy upgrades are Building Performance Institute (BPI) 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 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 Efficiency Test Equipment

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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