The Nevada Governor’s Office of Energy (GOE), in partnership with the Nevada Housing Division (NHD) administers the Home Energy Retrofit Opportunity for Seniors (HEROS) program, which provides funding and technical assistance for low-income seniors to make their homes more energy efficient. With funding made available by Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) chapter 701A.450, the HEROS program provides energy efficient upgrades at no cost to eligible homeowners.

Program Benefits

Energy Savings
Since the program’s inception in 2015, more than 930 homes in Nevada have been upgraded to become more energy efficient through the weatherization assistance program. On average, between 7,580 kWh of electricity and 282 Therms of natural gas are saved in each home annually.

Improved Health and Comfort
Investments in energy efficiency can create healthier and more comfortable living environments, lowering incidences of asthma, dangerous carbon monoxide levels, and other illnesses.

Financial Benefits to Homeowners
Upgrading homes to be more energy efficient saves each low-income Nevada homeowners an average of $1,244.64 in electricity and gas costs each year. Energy upgrades resulted in an average energy reduction of 64% in each home.

Quality Assurance
All contractors performing energy upgrades are Building Performance Institute (BPI) certified and licensed by the State of Nevada to protect the homeowner.

HEROS Partnerships Create Jobs

Partnering with NHD, energy efficient assessments and upgrades involve contractors and staff statewide. Other partners include the Rural Nevada Housing Authority, Rural Nevada Development Corporation, Community Services Agency, and HELP of Southern Nevada.

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ELIGIBLE MEASURES
1. Duct sealing
2. Shell sealing
3. Air conditioner/evaporative cooler covers
4. Exhaust fan with 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 lightbulb 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
26. Mini-split conversions

* Eligible measures are dependent on the property location and type of property being improved. Measures listed are not guaranteed to be included in the retrofit of a home. Please verify with the Nevada Housing Division (NHD) if an eligible measure is applicable to your property.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
- Seniors aged 60 years and older
- Must be an NV Energy customer
- Seniors who own and reside in their own homes
- Seniors with income at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines

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Staff from GOE, NHD and CSA inspect a Reno home recently weatherized through the HEROS program.

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