WHAT YOU DO MATTERS

Our Mission: To reduce energy costs for low-income families, particularly for the elderly, people with disabilities, and children, by improving the energy efficiency of their homes while ensuring their health and safety.

This year marks the 50th Anniversary of the War on Poverty as declared by President Johnson in 1964. The U.S. Department of Energy’s (DOE) Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) was created in 1976 to assist low-income families who lacked resources to invest in energy efficiency. The energy conservation resulting from your efforts helps our country reduce its dependence on foreign oil and decrease the cost of energy for families in need while improving the health and safety of their homes.

Thanks to you and your staff, just in the past ten (10) years the state of Indiana has provided weatherization services to over 55,000 homes. Thousands of kids get ready for school in warmer homes as a result of all the air sealing you have done and insulation you have put in. Your neighbor’s grandmother breathes cleaner air thanks to every furnace clean & tune.

You have seen programs come and programs go (ARRA), allowable expenses change, and housing stock improve (or not). You have managed programs when there was more money than you could spend only to turn around the next year and struggle as funding was cut. You crawl under houses and climb into attics no matter the temperature and still get your jobs done.

Through it all, you have trudged on and the vulnerable populations across Indiana have experienced a positive impact in their lives because of your efforts. Thank you for all you do each day!
SPRING SEMI-ANNUAL MANAGERS MEETING (SAMM)

The Spring Semi-Annual Managers Meetings have been scheduled. Per the Weatherization Policy and Procedure Manual, the WX manager or designee must attend the SAMM.

**Date:** Wed April 23, 2014  
**Location:** TRI-CAP  
607 Third Avenue  
Jasper, IN 47546  
**Time:** 9:30 (eastern)

**Date:** Tue April 29, 2014  
**Location:** AREA V  
1801 Smith Street  
Logansport, IN 46947  
**Time:** 9:30 (eastern)

Lunch will be provided—RSVP required
Pamela Emery pemery@ihcda.in.gov

We bid farewell to Justin Ackeret as he moves on and we welcome Kelley Goins as the new weatherization manager with Human Services. Kelley has been with H.S.I for 2 years and comes to weatherization via the Housing Choice Voucher and Energy Assistance Programs.

Crawl Spaces

Based on recent monitoring visits a reminder seems necessary for how the field guide addresses crawl spaces. Please review the following information:

Chapter 6 pg.15 Basement and Crawl Spaces:

- Insulate entire band joist with R-19 fiberglass or 2 part foam at a minimum thickness of 1.5” meant to provide an effective value of R-11.
- If the crawl space has a dirt or gravel floor install a continuous vapor barrier over ground extending 12-16” up the foundation overlap sections a minimum of 6”.
- Airseal major penetrations from basement zone to outdoors.
- Airseal all penetrations to the conditioned space.

Virtual — CLEAResult 2014

The Vectren-CLEAResult program has been renewed for 2014, effective March 1. All parameters remain the same regarding eligible measures and the process for entering data. Rebates received through the program are to be considered program income and must be used in support of your agency’s weatherization program.

For more specific details contact: 
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PROGRAM DEADLINES

**WX 2013-14 Funds:** The regular DOE Weatherization program closed on **MARCH 31, 2014**. Signed closeout forms are due to IH-CDA by **MAY 15, 2014** (45 days). Along with the closeout form, please provide page one (1) of the quarterly report to support your completion data.

**LIHEAP (WL) and STATE (WS) 2014 programs will close Sept 30, 2014.**

The number of completions on the closeout form must match the total number closed on the quarterly report.

**Claims submitted after the 45 day closeout period will be subject to denial.**