Home Energy Efficiency FAQ

What is Weatherization?

Weatherization is a process by which a resident retrofits or modifies their home to be energy efficient using different energy efficient materials and technologies.

What Can I Do to Weatherize My Home?

To weatherize your home, you can do several things. To increase your home's energy efficiency, you can install things like better insulation for ceilings, walls and floors, weather stripping doors and caulking windows, and install an energy efficient central air conditioning or window unit.

What Will Weatherization Cost Me?

Weatherization doesn't have to break the bank. Texas utilities, such as <u>CenterPoint</u> and <u>Oncor</u> offer no cost residential weatherization programs for single family and multi-family homes. There also the Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) that can help <u>low-income residents</u> who qualify to weatherize their home. However, if you are not a resident who qualifies, there are several low-cost steps that you can take to make your home more energy efficient.

How Can the Home Energy Efficiency Calculator Help Me?

The Home Energy Efficiency Calculator, housed on the Texas Clean Energy Hub, can help residents decide what energy efficiency measures are the best fit for them. The tool allows users to toggle on and off several common energy efficiency modifications that one can do for their home. It also offers tips for how residents measure how to make these modifications. The tool then outputs the cost-savings and payback a resident would have if those energy efficiency modifications were made. It is made to be a user friendly and simplistic tool to help you figure out what weatherization benefits can help you





