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ENERGY MATCHMAKERS

WAC 365-180-030 Definitions. (1) "Community" means the local program area served by the weatherizing agency.

(2) "Department" means the department of commerce.

(3) "Disadvantaged populations" means populations facing barriers to employment.

(4) "Energy matchmakers local coordinated plan" means a proposal(s) for use of funding for local low-income weatherization programs in a specific geographical area.

(5) "Family wage job" is defined as a job that pays, as a minimum, prevailing wage.

(6) "Low-income" means households at or below eighty percent of the state area median income. However, priority will be given to households at or below one hundred twenty-five percent of the federally established poverty level.

(7) "Nonutility sponsor" means an organization that is not an energy supplier and that submits a local coordinated plan.

(8) "Residence" means a house, including a stationary mobile home, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room occupied as separate living quarters; but excluding institutional buildings such as: A university, group care facility, nursing home, half-way residence, hospital, hotel, motel, etc.

(9) "Sponsor" means an organization that submits a match proposal as part of the energy matchmakers local coordinated plan.

(10) "Sponsor match" means the share, if any, of the cost of weatherization to be paid by the sponsor.

(11) "Weatherization" means materials or measures, including the education of the low-income household about energy saving behaviors in the home, and their installation or application, that are used to improve the thermal efficiency of a residence.

(12) "Weatherizing agency" means a public or nonprofit private organization, approved by the department, responsible for doing all aspects of the weatherization work.

WAC 365-180-070 Local coordinated plan—Funding proposal process—Award of contracts. (1) A sponsor shall make a formal proposal using forms issued by the department.

(2) The employment requirements of RCW 70.164.040 (3)(e), apply only to individuals hired specifically to repair homes prior to weatherization, and to construct or install weatherization materials in low-income residences.

(3) A review team will evaluate the energy matchmakers local coordinated plans, and will be composed of persons with knowledge of energy conservation and of community-based public and private service organizations.

(4) Plans which include a commitment of matching resources will be given priority for funding.

(5) The department shall have the final discretion to award funds.

(6) The department will enter into a contract with weatherizing agencies identified in successful local coordinated plans. This contract shall be signed by an official with authority to bind the weatherizing agency and returned to the department prior to the release of any funds under this program.


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