Weatherization Assistance Program
Weatherization lowers your energy bill and makes your home healthier.
Weatherization can include adding insulation to your walls, attic and foundation or crawlspace.

Weatherization can include stopping air leaks in your walls, attic, and foundation or crawlspace.

Weatherization almost never replaces windows and doors. Weatherization almost never does home repair.

Unfortunately, there are some reasons why we might not be able to weatherize your home.
Weatherization might disturb asbestos, which is dangerous to breathe in. A licensed professional (abatement contractor) is required to remove it.

Roof must be in good condition and without leaks.

Live Knob and Tube Wiring: Adding insulation might make a fire hazard.

Mold and Moisture: Air sealing would trap existing mold and moisture in the house and make it worse.
Plumbing leaks, missing drywall, missing plaster, structural damage, or other home repair needs can prevent weatherization.

Wayne Metro’s initial home assessment will help determine if your home is ready for weatherization! To start the process, apply!

Crawlspace: A crawlspace must be deep enough for contractors to work in (about 24 inches).
Step 1 – To apply, go to www.waynemetro.org and click Programs. Or call 313 388 9799 if you would like help applying.

Depending on funding, you may be put on an interest list. The wait may be long and the entire process may take 1-2 years from start to finish.

Weatherization is MAJOR work and makes a MAJOR impact on your home. It takes many steps and several visits. It takes teamwork between you and Wayne Metro! Before we visit your home, please make sure we can access your attic, crawlspace, and other areas.

Step 2 – The “initial home assessment”. This visit takes about 1 hour. It helps determine if your home is ready for weatherization.
Step 3 – If your home is ready for weatherization, an intake worker will reach out to you to do a full intake. You may need to provide additional documents at this time.

Step 4 – The “Energy Audit”. This visit takes about 3-4 hours. It must check every nook and cranny of your house for energy savings.

Step 5 – The information collected is entered into a statewide computer program. The computer program determines what work can be done in your home based on cost and savings.

Step 6 – Work starts! Work typically takes 2-5 days and involves several contractors. Workers will need to access all parts of your home.
Step 7 – “The Quality Control Inspection” – This visit takes about 2 hours. City permit inspections may also be required. If work was missed, the contractor must fix it. This step is required to get a warranty.

All weatherization work must be completed to make your home safe. Once work starts, you must ensure that all work can be completed.

Hooray! You now have a safer and healthier home! Now it is up to you to save as much energy, money, and help the environment as much as possible!

Clean bath and kitchen exhaust fans regularly.

Only use space heaters or window ACs if absolutely necessary. Dress for the season and save big money!
In winter set your thermostat to 68° in daytime and 62° at night. Sleeping under a blanket is cheap, heating bills are expensive!

Change your furnace filter regularly or your furnace may stop working properly...

Thank you! Weatherization is a major process. It takes teamwork and we appreciate your time and help!