

# Governor's Weekly Message: Reducing Home Utility Expenses While Protecting the Environment

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Wilmington, DE – In his weekly message, Governor Markell highlights Delaware's Weatherization Assistance Program, which insulates and weather-proofs homes at no cost to reduce the financial burden for low-income households, improve home safety, and protect the environment.

"As temperatures drop, some Delawareans worry about utility bills that spike this time every year and their ability to keep their families warm during the winter season," Governor Markell said. "Delawareans deserve a safe, healthy, and affordable place to call home, and the Weatherization Assistance Program is helping to make this a reality for more of our people, while supporting our economy and our environment. And that will keep Delaware moving forward."

Please note: This year the [Delaware Weatherization Assistance Program](#) celebrates 40 years of serving low-income households, especially families with children, seniors, and individuals with disabilities. The program has helped thousands of Delaware families, saving many participants 30 percent or more on their utility bills. The Delaware Department of Natural Resources Division of Energy and Climate has [marked this milestone with an informational video](#) that features personal testimonials from program participants and information about this valuable service. Delawareans are encouraged to view this video and to visit [de.gov/wap](http://de.gov/wap) to learn more about the program and its eligibility requirements.

Every week, the Governor's office releases a new Weekly Message in video, audio, and transcript form. The message is available on:

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