

6 Steps to a Better Home

How to participate in the Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP).



1 Find Out If You Qualify.

To qualify for free home improvements through LIWP, you must meet income qualifications (see reverse) and you must live in a neighborhood designated for community investment by the State of California. Call a participating LIWP contractor who can quickly pre-qualify you over the phone.

2 Make an Appointment.

If you are pre-qualified, you can immediately make an appointment for the LIWP contractor to visit your home. Rest assured that they are experienced, licensed and bonded professionals who have been vetted and approved to participate in LIWP.

3 Have Your Documents Ready.

Your contractor will tell you what documents they need to verify your income or participation in another program like SSI or Medi-Cal. Please have these documents ready when the contractor visits—or you can send them to your contractor in advance.

4 Learn What Home Upgrades You Get.

On the first visit, your contractor will assess your home to find problems and opportunities to save energy and money. He or she can then determine what home improvements you will receive at no cost (your home may only qualify for certain upgrades). In many cases, the contractor can begin installing upgrades during this first visit, which typically takes several hours.

5 Schedule Any Additional Appointments.

Your contractor may require one or more additional visits to complete the job. The contractor will do everything they can to work around your schedule. Once the work is complete, your home may be selected for a Quality Inspection by the LIWP program administrator—to make sure that your home is safe and that the upgrades were installed properly.

6 Give Yourself a High Five!

You can now enjoy a more comfortable, energy-saving home that will also save you money each month. And you can feel good, knowing that you did your part to fight climate change and protect California's environment.



What Is LIWP?

The Low-Income Weatherization Program (LIWP) provides thousands of dollars in energy-saving home improvements to residents living in communities that have been designated for investment. These home improvements—delivered at NO COST TO YOU—are designed to:

- Save energy
- Lower monthly utility bills
- Increase comfort and quality of life
- Improve indoor air quality and health
- Replace old or unsafe equipment
- Fight climate change

Do You Qualify for LIWP?

To qualify for LIWP home improvements at no cost, you must meet these requirements:

- 1. House Type:** Be a homeowner or renter in a single-family home or mobile home.
- 2. Location:** Be a California resident living in a community designated for investment by the State of California, because of its greater poverty, pollution, and health issues. A participating LIWP contractor can quickly determine if you live in an eligible community. Or, find out yourself at www.LIWPBayArea.org.
- 3. Income:** Your income must not exceed 80% of your county's Area Median Income (see chart below). You may be asked to provide documentation of your income OR documentation that you participate in another low-income program (see list on right).

You automatically meet the income eligibility requirements for LIWP if you already participate in one of these programs:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance
- Energy Savings Assistance (ESA) Program
- Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)
- Medi-Cal
- Medi-Cal for Families
- NSLP (National School Lunch Program)
- SNAP (Federal Supplemental Nutritional Assistance Program)
- CALFRESH
- SSI (Supplemental Security Income)
- TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
- CALWORKS
- Tribal Head Start
- Tribal TANF
- WIC (Women, Infants and Children)

# People in Household	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Los Angeles County	\$50,500	\$57,700	\$64,900	\$72,100	\$77,900	\$83,650	\$89,450	\$95,200	\$100,950	\$106,700	\$112,500	\$118,250
Santa Barbara County	\$50,450	\$57,650	\$64,850	\$72,050	\$77,850	\$83,600	\$89,350	\$95,150	\$100,850	\$106,650	\$112,400	\$118,150
Ventura County	\$55,950	\$63,950	\$71,950	\$79,900	\$86,300	\$92,700	\$99,100	\$105,500	\$111,850	\$118,250	\$124,650	\$131,050

Maximum allowable income to be eligible for LIWP.

Home Improvement Options

Your home may be eligible for 1 or more of these options.

Heating and Cooling

- Air conditioning or heater replacement (central systems only)*
- Air conditioning tune-up
- Air conditioning blower motor replacement
- Efficient fan controller
- Duct repair or replacement*
- Insulation (wall, floor, attic)
- Ceiling fans
- Whole house fan
- Weatherstripping and caulking

Appliances and Equipment

- Refrigerator replacement
- Window replacement
- Water heater replacement*
- Water heater blanket

Lights and Plug Loads

- Advanced power strips
- LED light bulbs
- LED night lights
- Vacancy sensor

Water Conservation

- Water-saving faucet
- Water-saving showerhead
- Thermostatic shower valve and showerhead

Solar Upgrades

- Rooftop solar photovoltaic (PV) system
- Solar hot water heating
- Eligibility: To qualify for solar PV, you must be a homeowner living in the home; you must meet the standard LIWP income and location requirements, and must show 12 months of energy bills.

* Requires energy audit of home, paid for by LIWP