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## SLVREC Residential Weatherization Program

### Background:

The SLVREC Residential Weatherization Program is an assistance program that provides energy and water efficiency improvements to the SLVREC residential customers that have household gross incomes at or below 200 percent of federal poverty guidelines. The SLVREC Weatherization program was launched in December of 2014 to help low-income San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative residential customers reduce their energy and water utilities costs through installation of energy and water efficiency measures.

### Qualification requirements:

**Applicant** must be a **SLVREC Member** and **must Own and Reside** in the home upon which weatherization services are to be performed (**rental properties do not qualify**). The **gross household income must be below 200% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines**. Homeowners who currently qualify for LEAP automatically qualify for the Residential Weatherization Program.

### Where to apply:

Applications are available at La Puente Outreach Services (719-587-3781), 929 State Street, Alamosa, CO. All applications must be submitted to La Puente Outreach for processing.

### Who does the work?

All work is performed by certified weatherization service specialists through **Energy Resource Center** located at 2311 Commerce Circle, Alamosa (719-587-9492).

### What work may be performed?

All qualified homes will receive an energy audit to identify critical areas of inefficiency. Pending audit results, the home **may** receive:

- Air seal measures, including caulking and weather stripping
- Up to 16 CFL replacement light bulbs
- ENERGY STAR rated refrigerator
- Water leak repairs
- Low flow shower heads and kitchen sink aerators
- Up to two low-flow toilets
- Energy-efficient water heater
- Furnace safety inspection and optimization for energy efficiency
- Furnace replacement: *Homeowners will be required to contribute \$500 for furnace replacement.*

### What is the cost to the homeowner?

No cost to homeowner\*! The SLVREC Roundup Program funds cover all residential weatherization upgrades performed. (\*unless furnace is replaced -then \$500 contribution is required)



# SLVREC Residential Weatherization Program (RWP) Qualification Application

## 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Last Name:	First Name:
Street Address:	
City:	Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell #
Mailing Address (PO Box)	Zip:
Co-Applicants name:	E-mail:

## 2. HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION:

Total number of persons residing in your home: \_\_\_\_\_ Adults over 18 in household: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Number of elderly persons (Age 62 or older) in your household: \_\_\_\_\_ Children under 19 in your household: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Disabled persons in your household: \_\_\_\_\_ Children under 5: \_\_\_\_\_ Children 5 to 18: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Single parent  Married  Widowed  Veteran  Native American Is this home for sale?  No  Yes  
 Do you own & live in this home?  Yes  No Homeowner length of residency in Colorado Springs: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type of Home:  House  Townhouse  Condo  Mobile  Modular \_\_\_\_\_  
 Water Source:  Well  City Water  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year Home was Built : \_\_\_\_\_  
 Has Energy Resource Center previously weatherized this house?  No  Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
 Furnace Location:  Basement  Crawlspace  Wall  Closet  Other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type Of Heating System:  
 Forced Air  Boiler  Gravity  Electric Baseboard  Wall / Spaceheater  other: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Type of Hot Water Heater:  Gas  Electric  Propane Type of Stove:  Gas  Electric  Propane

## 3. QUALIFICATION INFORMATION: **Call ERC @ (719) 587-9492 if you have any questions.**

Our household currently receives assistance from LEAP: HH# \_\_\_\_\_  
 Our household income is received from:  Job Income  Social Security  Retirement  Disability  Alimony  Child Support  
 Workers Comp  Unemployment  Self-employed occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Yearly Income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
 (before taxes) (gross)  
**\*\*\*Attach the following when returning this completed application in order to try & qualify for RWP services:**  
 Most recent **three months** of pay statements for all persons who receive income in the household including:  
 Job income, Retirement proof, Annuity, Social Security award letter, Disability award letter, Alimony, Child Support proof,  
 Workers Comp, Unemployment, Rental Income, Self Employment Business Ledgers for 3 months  
**\*\*\*\*\*Provide valid Copy of: Colorado Drivers License or CO ID, Military ID, or copy of passport for primary applicant & provide a recent Copy of a Colorado Springs Utilities Bill\*\*\*\*\***  
 (Do Not Write Below This Line) For ERC and La Puente Office Use Only  
 I Certify That This Client Is Eligible Under The Appropriate Funding Guidelines  
 \_\_\_\_\_ \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 La Puente Authorized Agent Date Approved Yearly Income POV Level % Current Value of Home  
 SLVREC Electric Customer  
 Weatherization work started: \_\_\_\_\_ work completed: \_\_\_\_\_ **JOB#** \_\_\_\_\_

4. Utility Information:

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**SLVREC Electric**    other provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Account # \_\_\_\_\_

**Propane/ N. Gas:**    provider: \_\_\_\_\_ Account # \_\_\_\_\_

Name that appears on the bill: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*\*A RECENT COPY OF YOUR SLVREC BILL IS REQUIRED FOR YOUR FILE\*\*\*\***

Please also call your propane or gas provider & have them fax ERC a printout of your Gas consumption & history charges for the past 12 months so this information can be entered in your computerized audit

**Energy Resource Center fax number (719)587-9497**

**5. Client Authorization and Release:** I understand that although all materials used by ERC comply with government regulations for toxicity and fire retardation, the possibility of certain individuals having an adverse reaction to some fumes or dust does exist, and if one of these materials is ingested, particularly by a child, there is a possibility of a negative reaction. I understand that it is my responsibility to inform ERC of any medical condition that could be aggravated by dust or fumes prior to insulation/weatherization. ERC cannot perform any of these services until all forms, including this agreement, are properly signed by the owner or the owner's agent and returned to our office. **IN THE EVENT OF ANY WILLFUL MISREPRESENTATION THE SIGNATORY MAY BE HELD LIABLE FOR ALL COSTS INVOLVED, INCLUDING LEGAL COSTS.**

I agree to permit representatives of Energy Resource Center (also known as ERC) and San Luis Valley Electric Coop to inspect work done on my property in order to assure quality, efficiency, and safety of work done. In addition, I will allow Colorado Springs Regional Building Department inspectors to check any work which requires a permit.

**I authorize the Energy Resource Center as Subcontractor for San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative** to process my application for weatherization and energy efficient services. I certify that all information provided on this application to determine my eligibility is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and I am enclosing the necessary income proof, ID and SLVREC utility information needed in order to qualify for RWP services.

I will let ERC know within 30 days or before receiving weatherization, whichever is sooner, if I have any changes in my household size or my income. I will notify ERC if I move from the address listed on this application, or if the home goes up for sale. *ERC cannot weatherize homes that are for sale!*

Is anyone in the household on oxygen:  Yes  No   Allergies in household:  Yes  No

Home style:  Ranch style    Bi-Level    Tri-Level    Condo/Townhouse    Mobile    other: \_\_\_\_\_

The exterior siding of my home is:  Brick    Wood    Stucco    Vinyl    Aluminum    Other: \_\_\_\_\_

How many bedrooms are in your home: \_\_\_\_\_   How many bathrooms: \_\_\_\_\_   How many kitchens: \_\_\_\_\_

You will be contacted by phone or by letter to schedule your weatherization audit & insulation work. Someone over 18 must be present while the work is being done.

**You must be a Homeowner and San Luis Valley Rural Electric Customer in order to qualify for the RWP program!**

**I understand that if my furnace has a standing pilot & over 20 years of age I will be required to contribute \$500 towards a new furnace install with an 80% or 95% efficient furnace. Full payment will be due on the day of install; payable to Energy Resource Center. (Boiler systems do not qualify for replacement through RWP) Insulation measures, if needed, & all other services will be provided at no cost to the homeowner.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Client signature



**PROPERTY OWNERS AUTHORIZATION TO WEATHERIZE**

I do hereby certify that I am the owner of the property located at: \_\_\_\_\_ I hereby authorize Energy Resource Center and its contractors to enter the property to perform weatherization work. Weatherization may include any or all of the following: insulation of attics, walls or subfloor areas, caulking & sealing of the structure. Cleaning & adjusting of combustion appliances to improve safety & efficiency. Replacement of a standing pilot furnace if over 20 years of age. Windows & doors will be checked for air leakage. A Low-flow toilet and showerheads may be installed to replace existing appliances and leaking faucets may be repaired.

(1) The owner releases ERC, its subcontractors, its Board of Directors and San Luis Valley Rural Electric from the responsibility for present or future damages incurred as a result of weakness of the property or mechanical defects of materials installed. **ERC has a one-year guarantee on any parts or materials installed.**

(2) If the attic area has existing knob & tube wiring, ERC will not be able to insulate over the existing wiring. ERC personnel will contact our Electrical Subcontractor to do a service call to assess the wiring and give ERC an estimate for the repair work needed.

**(3) All standing pilot furnaces must be replaced as part of this program. (Boiler systems do not qualify) Owners are required to contribute \$500 toward the cost of a new furnace (exemptions will only be considered for extraordinary circumstances). All other services will be provided at no cost to the homeowner.**

**PROPERTY OWNERS INSULATION WAIVER:** ERC strongly recommends installation of wall insulation, if needed. A refusal to allow sidewall insulation constitutes a refusal of all weatherization services. If wall insulation is needed, the insulators may drill into the exterior or interior wall of the property. Exterior wall drilling is the usual procedure. Exterior holes will be plugged, sealed & painted as close as possible to the existing paint. ERC cannot guarantee a perfect color match due to variations in fading and the color matching process. If interior holes must be drilled, small cracks may appear depending upon the condition & type of wall material. I understand that interior holes will be sealed & patched, providing the wall with a paintable surface but that patching may not cover these small cracks or match the original wall texture. Painting the interior patches is the responsibility of the homeowner. ERC will clean up general debris caused by our work. **Be advised, however, that adding insulation is inherently dusty and it will create some dust that must be cleaned up by the homeowner.**

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**OVERALL WEATHERIZATION AGREEMENT:** *I have read the above agreement & understand all the terms & conditions presented herein, & hereby grant permission to perform such weatherization measures as may be suited to this property under the standards established by the Colorado Energy Office Weatherization program and San Luis Valley Rural Electric Coop.*

I Agree to the above

***I swear or affirm under the penalty of the laws of the State of Colorado that:***

I am a United States citizen     I am a Permanent Resident of the U.S.     I am lawfully present in U.S.

***I understand that completing this application does not guarantee acceptance to the RWP program:***

Yes     No

Homeowner signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\*Please include with this completed application: Household income proof for the past 3 months from all persons that receive income in the household, a valid Colorado ID, military ID, or Passport. Recent copy of SLVREC utility bill\*\*\***

Please mail the RWP application to:

**Energy Resource Center  
1825 State Ave, #24, Alamosa, CO 81101  
Phone: (719) 587-9492 / fax (719) 587-9497  
Or  
e-mail: charlies@erc-co.org**





## Outreach Services Center

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The following is a confidentiality agreement to allow Energy Resource Center Staff to supply and/or collect information pertaining to the case in question from San Luis Valley Rural Electric Cooperative (SLVREC) in partnership with Energy Resource Center (ERC), but not limited to utility companies and homeownership agencies. Any information will be given without discrimination and with discretion for your rights.

I hereby give my permission to any duly authorized representative of Energy Resource Center Staff to supply information to or request information from the agencies mentioned above regarding my SLVREC Residential Weatherization Program application. I release Energy Resource Center Staff of any and all liability for supplying or requesting such information. This shall be in effect until I state in writing that it is no longer valid.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Lupita Garcia (ERC staff)

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Date