



Bayonne's low-income residents can qualify for weatherization assistance funding

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Low-income families in Bayonne can have heating systems in their homes replaced, windows caulked, and light bulbs replaced if they qualify for a weatherization program funded by the state, officials said.

The goal of the program, funded through the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, is to make homes more comfortable for the winter while conserving energy, said Eleanor Tiefenwerth, executive director of the Bayonne Economic Opportunity Foundation (BEOF).

To receive the assistance, the applicant must be a Bayonne resident, either a tenant or homeowner, and meet income guidelines of 200 percent of the federal poverty level.

If an applicant is 62 years or older and has a need for hand rails, grab bars, or any other item to make living more comfortable and safer, they can receive assistance from the Residential Maintenance Program, which is funded through the Hudson County Division of Aging.

Applications for both programs are available at the BEOF office, 555 Kennedy Blvd., Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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