

**Performance Indicators for the Vermont
Weatherization Assistance Program**

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The Vermont Weatherization Assistance Program is one of the most heavily evaluated programs in State government. To lend consistency among the information presented in this report, care has been taken to report the requested indicators in a fashion consistent with the previous evaluations.

1. Number of households weatherized in program year 2006.....1464 households
2. Average program expenditure/household for energy efficiency\$2,856 ¹
3. Average % energy savings21.6%
4. Average net present value per unit of energy and non-energy benefits combined ²
.....\$23,050
5. Total 1st year gallons saved for 709 fuel assistance households weatherized in
program year 2006.....119,821 gallons of #2 heating oil
6. Average annual savings/unit for heating fuels169 gallons of #2 heating oil
7. Gallons of oil saved related to equivalent number of homes heated:
*The total combined 1st year savings for the 1,464 homes weatherized in program
year 2006 amounts to 243,529 gallons of #2 heating oil. This is equivalent to the
amount of oil to heat 194 low-income homes at the pre-retrofit consumption rate
for the year.*
8. Projected number of households to be weatherized in the current program year
ending March 31, 2008.....1441 households
9. Projected program expenditures for the current program year ending March 31,
2008\$7,455,388 ³

¹ This figure includes the direct costs of the energy efficiency measures and a % of the OEO and indirect costs attributable to those measures.

² The energy benefits in this figure are based on first year fuel prices from 2005 (\$2.34 per gallon #2 heating oil) and non-energy benefits value as of 2005. The value of the energy and non-energy benefits represented is based on the net present value of these benefits over the expected 20 year average lifetime of the measures. Examples of non-energy benefits include reduced reliance on public assistance, environmental benefits from reduced greenhouse gas emissions, nursing home avoidance, etc.

³ This figure does not include \$650,000 budgeted for the Emergency Heating System Grant Program