

## **WEATHERIZATION SERVICES EXPAND TO THE BIG BEND AREA**

*Community Council of South Central Texas was granted 8 new counties by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs for Weatherization Assistance.*

Community Council of South Central Texas is proud to announce the expansion of its' Weatherization services by the addition of 8 Big Bend area counties. The counties were granted by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs and include; Brewster, Crane, Culberson, Hudspeth, Jeff Davis, Pecos, Presidio, and Terrell. This increases CCSCT's weatherization service area from 9 counties to 17.

"On behalf of the CCSCT Board of Directors and Weatherization Assistance Program staff, we looking forward to the opportunity to serve the Big Bend area of Texas," stated CCSCT Executive Director Bobby Deike, "... our organization has a very good track record for delivering quality services and reducing the energy burden for low income clients by installing allowable energy saving measures in their homes. In addition, we look forward to developing community partnerships in our efforts to make this program available to eligible low-income households."

The importance of the Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP) cannot be over emphasized. The Program prioritizes service to the elderly, persons with disabilities, and households with children. Since its inception in 1976, more than 7 million households have received energy efficiency improvements, such as heating and cooling upgrades, the addition of insulation, air sealing, improved home air quality and safety gains. The Program comprises a comprehensive series of energy efficiency measures that are based on sophisticated analyses of individual homes. These analyses take the whole-house approach, which maximizes energy and dollar savings. Because of this rigorous approach and analyses backing it up, weatherization has become a leader in advancing home energy science delivering energy-efficiency services to low-income households. WAP serves every county in the nation through its network of state and local agencies.

Application processing for Big Bend individuals and families that wish to apply are tentatively on hold until the finalization of the TDHCA contract, which may conclude by mid- November. Applications are available online at:  
<http://www.ccsct.org/weatherization-apply-for-services/>

The Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs is committed to expanding fair housing choice and opportunities for Texans through the administration and funding of affordable housing and homeownership opportunities, weatherization, and community-based services with the help of for-profits, nonprofits, and local governments. For more information about fair housing, funding opportunities, or services in your area, please visit [www.tdhca.state.tx.us](http://www.tdhca.state.tx.us) or the Learn about Fair Housing in Texas page.

CCSCT is a non-profit community action agency that empowers vulnerable families and individuals in the greater South Central Texas area to achieve self-sufficiency by eliminating barriers through innovative programs and strong community partnerships. For more information, visit [www.ccsct.org](http://www.ccsct.org) or follow us on the socials at [https://linktr.ee/ccsct\\_cares](https://linktr.ee/ccsct_cares).

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