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**NW Colorado Council of Governments Celebrates
1,000th Weatherized Home**

The Northwest Colorado Council of Governments (NWCCOG) has just completed the weatherization of their 1,000th residential home thanks to federal funding from the American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA). Production levels have increased dramatically in the past two years thanks to this boost in funding growing from an average of 250 to 450 homes weatherized each year and has broadened the program's impact by emphasizing job creation, technical training and support of local economies.

NWCCOG serves low income-qualifying households within a 13 county, 24,000 square mile region. Residents of these counties can qualify for energy saving upgrades including insulation, energy efficient furnaces and more. This work results in less energy use per home which saves residents money in utility costs while improving their safety and comfort.

“The Colorado Weatherization Program has achieved much success in utilizing the ARRA funding in an effective and efficient manner.” said TJ Deora, director of the Governor's Energy Office. “This program has been recognized nationally for providing some of the highest quality weatherization services. I am proud of the work that local agencies are doing to support job creation, energy savings and community investment to be achieved here in Colorado.”

NWCCOG Board Chair and Eagle County Commissioner Peter Runyon added “The Weatherization Program is a sound public investment for the nation and for our region, especially during times of economic insecurity. Our NWCCOG Weatherization team has done a remarkable job of quickly, efficiently and economically weatherizing 1,000 homes of citizens struggling with heating bills, and I am justifiably proud of their hard work.”

NWCCOG Weatherization is part of a statewide effort managed by the Governor's Energy Office (GEO).

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