



Weatherization Education Outreach Program

The Weatherization Education Outreach Program (WEOP) helps lower energy costs for income-eligible households.

Services are determined after an on-site energy audit.



WHAT SERVICES ARE INCLUDED?

Services might include but are not limited to:

1. Inspection of central HVAC systems.
2. If attic is accessible, attic insulation installed up to an R-38 (Energy Star).
3. If applicable, installation of programmable thermostat for central heating and cooling systems.
4. Replacement of incandescent bulbs with LED's (maximum of 8).
5. Replacement of exterior doors to mitigate air intrusion; replacement of exterior door locks; install door viewer.
6. Replace broken window panes; caulk exterior windows.
7. Inspection/replacement of any leaking water valves
8. Installation of low flow showerheads and aerators on faucets.
9. Inspection to ensure that all exterior lights are operational.
10. Inspect water heater; replace if necessary; install timer on water heater.

Where to Apply:

To apply for the weatherization grant you may obtain an application at FPUA Customer Service Lobby located at 206 S. 6th Street or from the Grants Administration Division at Fort Pierce City Hall.

Procedures: Complete application and return to City Hall or FPUA Customer Service Lobby. If approved you will be contacted via phone to schedule your Home Utility Assessment. The Home Utility Assessor will inspect your home and determine which forms of assistance will be available under the grant.

For additional Information, please contact a FPUA Customer Service Rep at 772-466-1600.

WEATHERIZATION BENEFITS:

- helps reduce energy costs
- conserves energy
- increases comfort in the home
- improves safety and health standards
- preserves housing stock
- provides jobs

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

The weatherization program has four steps:

1. An application is submitted to the local service provider to determine program eligibility.
2. An energy survey of the home is conducted to identify needs.
3. The home is weatherized.
4. Home is inspected to assure quality of work completed.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE WEOP PROGRAM?

Eligibility is based on household income relative to federal low-income guidelines.

You must own and occupy the home to be repaired.



Solar and Energy Loan Fund (SELF)

SELF is a non-profit community lending organization

SELF's mission is to help rebuild and empower underserved communities by providing access to affordable and innovative financing for assorted home renovations, including: weatherization, high-efficiency air conditioners, solar water heaters, solar photovoltaics (PV), roofs, windows, doors, hurricane shutters; and, more.



SELF strives to create positive social, economic and environmental impacts by helping people improve the health, safety and quality of life in their homes while reducing their operating costs and carbon footprint and increasing home equity and storm resilience.

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

SELF provides low interest rate loans (5.0-9.5%) and flexible approval terms in five easy steps:

1. Homeowner submits completed application and documents to determine eligibility. Note that SELF's lending standards are significantly less stringent than traditional banks;
2. SELF's loan officer meets individually with client to discuss recommended improvements, financing options, ability to repay a loan, and project management;
3. Property owners obtain quotes from SELF's approved contractor list and make final decisions about contractors, types of home improvements, and final quotes;
4. SELF loan is closed for specified amount of the selected quotes, less any utility cash rebates, and a letter is issued to the contractor(s) to proceed with home improvement projects; and,
5. After home improvements are satisfactorily completed, SELF then proceeds with final disbursement of funds to contractor(s).

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR A LOAN AND WHAT ARE THE BASIC REQUIREMENTS?

- ✓ Applicant must be the owner of the home.
- ✓ Credit Score of 500 or better.
- ✓ Minimum loan amount = \$1,000.
- ✓ \$25 application fee.



WHERE DO I APPLY?

Application documents are available on-line at www.solarenergyloanfund.org
For additional Information, please contact SELF by telephone at # (772) 468-1818.