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COLUSA-GLENN-TRINITY COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP RECEIVES FUNDING FOR ENERGY  
ASSISTANCE

Services available to improve the energy efficiency of low-income households

The Colusa-Glenn-Trinity Community Action Partnership (CGTCAP) has received over \$300,000 in funding under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to relieve the energy burden of low-income households in Colusa, Glenn and Trinity Counties. The US Census Bureau estimates that up to 20% of pre-tax income is spent on utilities in low-income households, with electricity and telephone service accounting for the bulk of utility expenses.

The CGTCAP's Weatherization Unit has assessed 30 homes to determine their energy burden and services to improve energy efficiency have been launched in each one. By September 2010, the Weatherization Unit conservatively estimates that over 70 households will have received services to reduce their energy burden and over 150 households are estimated to receive assistance by March 2012. This effort has added five new jobs so far, with the possibility of additional job creation as the program gears-up for the summer months.

CGTCAP's Weatherization Unit provides a variety of energy-saving measures including attic and wall insulation; repair/tune-up to heating and cooling units; repairs to ductwork; appliance replacement; and replacement of incandescent light bulbs with energy efficient, compact fluorescent bulbs. The work is performed by well-trained technicians and CGTCAP's Weatherization Unit benefits from the presence of over 75 years of combined experience.

The Colusa-Glenn-Trinity Community Action Partnership (CGTCAP) was formed in 1992 when it joined forces with the Glenn County Human Resource Agency to provide administrative oversight and coordination of its numerous funding streams. A wide variety of services in addition to Weatherization programs are offered through the CGTCAP, including housing rehabilitation, emergency shelter, victim assistance and food banks, among others.

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For more information about Weatherization services or any of the other programs available through the CGTCAP and the Human Resource Agency, please call: 530-934-6510 or 1-800-287-8711.