

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND AGENDA

Department of Energy Program Year 2026 State Plan and Application for the Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program Proposed by the Nevada Housing Division

The Nevada Housing Division will hold a public hearing at 3:00 pm on Tuesday, September 1, 2026. There will be no physical location to attend this meeting, but it will be held virtually and may be joined as follows:

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Purpose

The purpose of the public hearing is to receive comments from all interested parties regarding the proposed program year 2026 State Plan and Application pertaining to the Department of Energy (DOE), Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program, for the period of July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027. A copy of this Notice and the proposed State Plan and Application has been emailed to all Service Providers (Subgrantees) a minimum of 10 days in advance of the public hearing. Any member of the public desiring to receive the proposed State Plan and Application will be either emailed or mailed a copy upon request. To receive a copy please contact Tamera Saida at tsaida@housing.nv.gov or (702) 486-4311.

Briefly summarized are the changes from last year's approved State Plan and Application, along with other important details:

Department of Energy funding for the state of Nevada is \$1,592,102, which represents a slight increase over the program year 2025 award. This grant includes \$172,847 in Weatherization Readiness Funds, which will support efforts to reduce the number of deferrals by addressing deferral issues that previously would have rendered a home ineligible. These funds are expected to increase the number of homes the program can serve.

Because Nevada is currently in a three-year contract with DOE, the state will carry over the remaining Program Year 2025 funds, which will be approximately \$400,000. All service providers that requested funding for the upcoming program year will receive an award of DOE Weatherization Assistance Program funds appropriate for the population base of their service areas, with the Readiness funds also distributed in the same proportion. The individual carryover amounts will remain with each Subgrantee.

Due to higher service delivery costs and the greater number of qualifying DOE households in Nevada's rural areas, DOE funding allocated to rural regions is increased by a small percentage. In addition, the Fund for Energy Assistance and Conservation (FEAC) is more difficult to fully utilize in rural areas because FEAC requires participating utility providers to pay into the Universal Energy Charge. To address this, DOE funds were swapped equally for State funding.

Comments made during the public hearing and accepted by the Nevada Housing Division as beneficial to the Weatherization Assistance Program may result in modifications to the proposed State Plan and Application. If it is necessary to adjust the State Plan and Application pursuant to accepted comments, a revised version may become the final State Plan and Application for program year 2026.

Persons wishing to comment on the proposed State Plan and Application may participate in the virtual public hearing and provide comment during the designated time. Also, comments may be emailed to tsaida@housing.nv.gov or submitted in writing to the Nevada Housing Division: Attention: Tamera Saida, 3300 W. Sahara Ave. Suite 425, Las Vegas, NV 89102. Emailed or written comments must be received by the Nevada Housing Division on or before Friday, August 28, 5:00 p.m. to be considered.

PUBLIC HEARING AGENDA

1. Call to Order – Tamera Saida, Weatherization Program Supervisor, Nevada Housing Division
2. Public Comment. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an Agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. (Because of time considerations, the period for public comment by each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes and speakers are urged to avoid repetition of comments made by previous speakers.)
3. Introduction and Comments on the Proposed Program Year 2026 DOE State Plan and Application.
4. Public Comment. No action may be taken on a matter raised under this item of the agenda until the matter itself has been specifically included on an Agenda as an item upon which action will be taken. (Because of time considerations, the period for public comment by each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes and speakers are urged to avoid repetition of comments made by previous speakers)
5. Adjournment

Note: Items on this agenda may be taken in a different order than listed. Two or more agenda items may be combined for consideration. An item may be removed from this agenda or discussion relating to an item on this agenda may be delayed at any time.

Recording Warning

Note: The public hearing will be recorded for submittal to the Department of Energy along with the final State Plan and Application.

Public Posting and Notification

Consistent with the State of Nevada electronic public notification process that is used by other Federally funded programs, this notice and agenda have been posted on or before 9:00 a.m. and no later than 10 calendar days prior to the meeting at the following websites:

State of Nevada Public Notice Website at <http://notice.nv.gov>

Nevada Housing Division's website at:

https://housing.nv.gov/Resources/Meetings/2019/Public_Meetings_and_Agendas/

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Supporting documents for this meeting may be requested by emailing Tamera Saida at tsaida@housing.nv.gov or (702) 486-4311. The supporting documents are available at either of the Division's offices in Las Vegas or Carson City. Members of the public may use the remote technology system to hear and observe the meeting by using any of the links above to connect via video conferencing or by telephone. Members of the public will be allowed to provide public comment via video conferencing or telephone at the indicated agenda items.

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