

# WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM FOR NEW MILFORD RESIDENTS

The Mayor and Council have announced a free weatherization assistance program for residents of the Borough of New Milford who qualify according to federal income guidelines. The program is a national effort to help homeowners and tenants improve the energy efficiency of their homes. The program is administered locally by the Bergen County Community Action Partnership, BCCAP.

You are urged to participate in this program if you have trouble keeping your house or apartment warm during the winter and cool in the summer or if your energy bills are unusually high. This is how it works.

**Number 1:** Be sure that you meet the income requirements:

<b>Income Guidelines</b>	
<b>Family Size</b>	<b>Yearly Gross Income</b>
1	\$21,780.
2	\$29,420.
3	\$37,060.
4	\$44,700.
5	\$52,340.
6	\$59,980.
7	\$67,620.
8	\$75,260.

For family units of more than 8 members, add \$3,820 for each member. If you think you are slightly over the limit or you're not sure what your annual income is, fill out the application. Let BCCAP determine if you are eligible.

Veterans who are receiving cash benefits and recipients of Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, TANF, automatically qualify.

**Number 2:** Pick up an application packet from Borough Hall, 930 River Road, or at the Bergen County Community Action Partnership office located at 241 Moore Street, Hackensack. Return your completed application as quickly as possible to the BCCAP office.

**Number 3:** The Bergen County Community Action Partnership will make an appointment for a technician to visit your home to perform an energy audit. This is a way to examine your home to see if air is leaking out through the windows, doors, attic or any other penetrations. The furnace, boiler, stove, refrigerator and water heater are also checked. You will be informed of the results of the audit.

**Number 4:** Expert mechanics will repair or replace faulty windows and doors, install high-efficiency insulation and, if necessary, repair or replace boilers, furnaces, refrigerators and water heaters.

**The Mayor and Council unanimously support this program. "The investment of these funds in the Borough of New Milford is a major help to our residents," said Mayor Subrizi. "If you feel that you may qualify for this program, do not wait to pick up an application. Do it today."**

For more information, please call 201-457-0021.