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## **Weatherization Subgrant Awarded to Central Missouri Community Action**

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JEFFERSON CITY, MO – Sen. Kurt Schaefer is pleased to announce the issuance of a grant totaling \$504,292 in weatherization funds to the Central Missouri Community Action (CMCA) for assisting low-income Missourians in reducing home energy costs.

The funds come from the Department of Natural Resources' Energy Center and are used to help low-income families make their homes more energy-efficient. Families with children, the elderly and the physically disabled will be priorities of the program. The CMCA is one of 18 Missouri Agencies that implement the state's Low Income Weatherization Program, serving the counties of Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Cole, Cooper, Howard, Moniteau and Osage. The program has helped more than 155,000 Missouri homes since it began in 1978.

"These funds come at a crucial time for a large segment of our citizens," Sen. Schaefer said, "With the economic downturn, many families and individuals need this program to help with rising energy costs."

The department's Energy Center is a non-regulatory state office that works to stimulate the economy through renewable energy resources, efficiencies and technologies.

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