

PRIORITIZING SAFE AND HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

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Electric Service Upgrades for Income Sensitive Vermonters



- **WHAT:** As part of the Governor’s Climate Change Mitigation Package, the Administration, through the Public Service Department, is proposing to invest \$20 million of financial and technical assistance for income sensitive Vermonters to upgrade their basic level of electric service, internal wiring, and service panels. This program would be coordinated with (but not delivered by) the State’s Low and Moderate Income Weatherization programs.
- **WHY:** Necessary upgrades to electric service, internal wiring, and service panels are identified as a barrier to future clean energy technology adoption by both the Comprehensive Energy Plan and the Climate Action Plan. Income sensitive Vermonters are unlikely to otherwise implement such enabling upgrades.
- **WHO:** Income Sensitive Vermonters, directed at but not limited to those who are participating in a Weatherization program.
- **HOW:** Allocate funding to the Public Service Department to distribute pursuant to RFI/RFP process to best deliver these basic services to income sensitive Vermonters.
- **FUNDING:** \$20 million is included in the Governor’s FY23 recommended ARPA budget.

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