

Rochester Area Community Foundation

Rochester Energy Efficiency and Weatherization

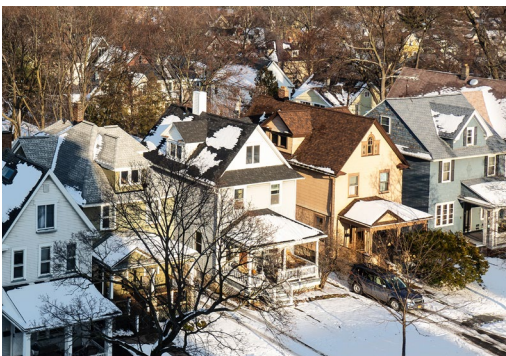
Rochester, New York

Challenge

To address the high concentration of aging housing stock in the Rochester area.

Project Summary

The average age of homes in the Rochester area is 93 years, making them less energy efficient and vulnerable to climate change and potentially having outdated electric, plumbing, and HVAC systems. The Rochester Area Community Foundation's Rochester Energy Efficiency and Weatherization (RENEW) initiative assists families with necessary energy-efficient home improvements. The initiative leveraged more than \$10.5 million in public and private funding to make more than 620 homes of income-eligible homeowners in Monroe County more energy efficient, healthier, and safer. These homeowners reported saving more than 20 percent on fuel costs, along with better physical and mental health outcomes. To date, the initiative has prevented more than 8,305 tons of residential carbon emissions.



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