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Weatherization Training Center

The U.S. Department of Education (DOE) Weatherization (WX) Training Center at Wright College has trained more than 200 Advanced Installer candidates and provided various workshops and educational opportunities for more than 900 attendees since 2010.

Wright College operates one of 39 WX Training Centers in the U.S., and one of only two in Illinois, along with the Building Research Council at University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, IL. The program is part of a unique inter-governmental partnership with the Community & Economic Development Agency of Cook County (CEDA), the IL Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity, and U.S. DOE. The WX Training Center at Wright has run 22 week-long training classes to date for personnel performing WX retrofits in low income housing throughout the Chicagoland area, and the project has begun to expand to offer other training modules, provide workforce development in the WX field to a wider audience of trainees, and eventually encompass an off-campus, dedicated WX Training site.

Residential energy efficiency retrofits and training in building science concepts are critical tools in addressing climate change, healthier homes, employment barriers, and improved economies.