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Urban League will test cooling systems at no charge

St. Louis city residents can have their air conditioning systems checked out by the Urban League of Metropolitan St. Louis.

The League's Weatherization Department will evaluate cooling systems, including central air conditioning and window units for possible repair or replacement.

The Urban League provides free weatherization services to the homeowners and tenants who need it most - with a special focus on senior citizens, the disabled and households with children.

Cost-tested weatherization services include the building, its heating and cooling systems, its electrical system and electricity consuming appliances.

Energy saving services include measures to reduce air infiltration, such as attic insulation and caulking; sealing the thermal envelope of the home by repairing or replacing old windows and doors; and repairing and replacing combustible appliances, such as furnaces, water heaters and boilers.

Weatherization is paid for through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act and regular annual funding from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Ameren UE and Laclede Gas.

For more information about the weatherization program, please contact Shelley McClendon, at (314) 615-3612.