



**CLARISA
TAVERAS**
(CARE PARTICIPANT)

WHAT IS THE CARE PROGRAM?

Colorado's Affordable Residential Energy (CARE) program provides income-qualified Gunnison Valley Residents with free home energy efficiency upgrades for homeowners and renters.

NOW A WARM & PLEASANT LIVING SPACE

"We weren't able to heat all the rooms before the upgrades. We used to use lots of blankets and could see our breaths in the morning. After the work done by GV-HEAT, the house isn't cold anymore and it feels a lot warmer" - Clarisa (pictured) Gunnison resident

Clarisa has noticed a big difference after the work was done to the home. Before the energy upgrades, she described energy bill as being "scary" to see each month. Now the bill is lower, and she is very happy and thankful for the work that was done. When coming home from her job, her home would be very cold. But after the upgrades, she now returns to a home that feels nice and warm. The project cost for this home was sizable. In addition to the CARE funding, homeowner Tricia Fieth contributed \$1,000 towards this project, which helped with installing the storm windows.

The air leakage of the home was reduced by 22%. This means that the conditioned interior air leaks 22% less to the outside than before. The goal for CARE homes is to reduce air leakage by 10%, meaning GV-HEAT contractors have exceeded expectations.

IMPROVEMENTS

PROJECT COST \$6,809

- 3 Standard LED lightbulbs
- Pipe insulation
- 1 Programmable thermostat
- 1 Smoke alarm
- 2 Carbon monoxide sensors
- Furnace tune and clean
- 1 Refrigerator
- Air sealing to reduce air leakage by 22%
- Rim insulation in basement
- 6 Storm windows
- Wall insulation

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