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## **Belmont Light Announces New Energy Efficiency Grant Program**

(Belmont, MA) – Belmont Light is pleased to announce the launch of the **Belmont Light Energy Grant Program**. A limited number of grants for insulation and heat pump heating systems are now available to Belmont residents through a special award from the state. Belmont Light customers can save energy and lower heating costs this winter by taking advantage of two new opportunities:

**100 Weatherization Grants** are available to Belmont residents to obtain \$1,500 worth of weatherization products and services for a co-pay of just \$299. Homes must be heated with oil, electricity, propane, pellets, or other fuels to qualify (homes heated with natural gas are eligible for weatherization benefits through their gas provider and the Mass Save® program).

**50 Heat Pump Grants** ranging between \$500 and \$1,500 are available for Belmont residents to put toward high efficiency heating and cooling heat pump systems. These grants are available for homes currently heated with any fuel type.

Grants will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis and require a pre-approval. Grants will remain available until they are all claimed, but customers are urged to apply quickly to ensure availability. All Belmont residents who are interested in learning more or applying for weatherization and heat pump grants should visit [www.BelmontLightEnergyGrant.com](http://www.BelmontLightEnergyGrant.com) or contact **Sagewell, Inc.**, the program administrator, at **617-963-8141** or [support@sagewell.com](mailto:support@sagewell.com).

Belmont Light is proud to offer these new opportunities to its customers after receiving energy efficiency funding from the Massachusetts Department of Energy Resources through a competitive grant process. The award from the state will also fund the installation of 100 new LED streetlights in Belmont in 2015.

Belmont Light General Manager Jim Palmer commented, “We are delighted that the Massachusetts DOER has recognized the innovative energy efficiency work Belmont Light and the Town of Belmont have done over the last few years, and has provided us a grant in recognition of our success. This is the first time that oil heated homes in Belmont have had access to insulation and heat pump grants and we expect them to be in high demand. Belmont residents have had some of the highest energy efficiency program participation rates in Massachusetts and the town should be proud of its progress.”

General Manager Palmer added that the timing of the grant opportunities works well for customers concerned about rising energy costs. “Taking energy efficiency measures now will help residents save on their heating costs this winter.”

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