

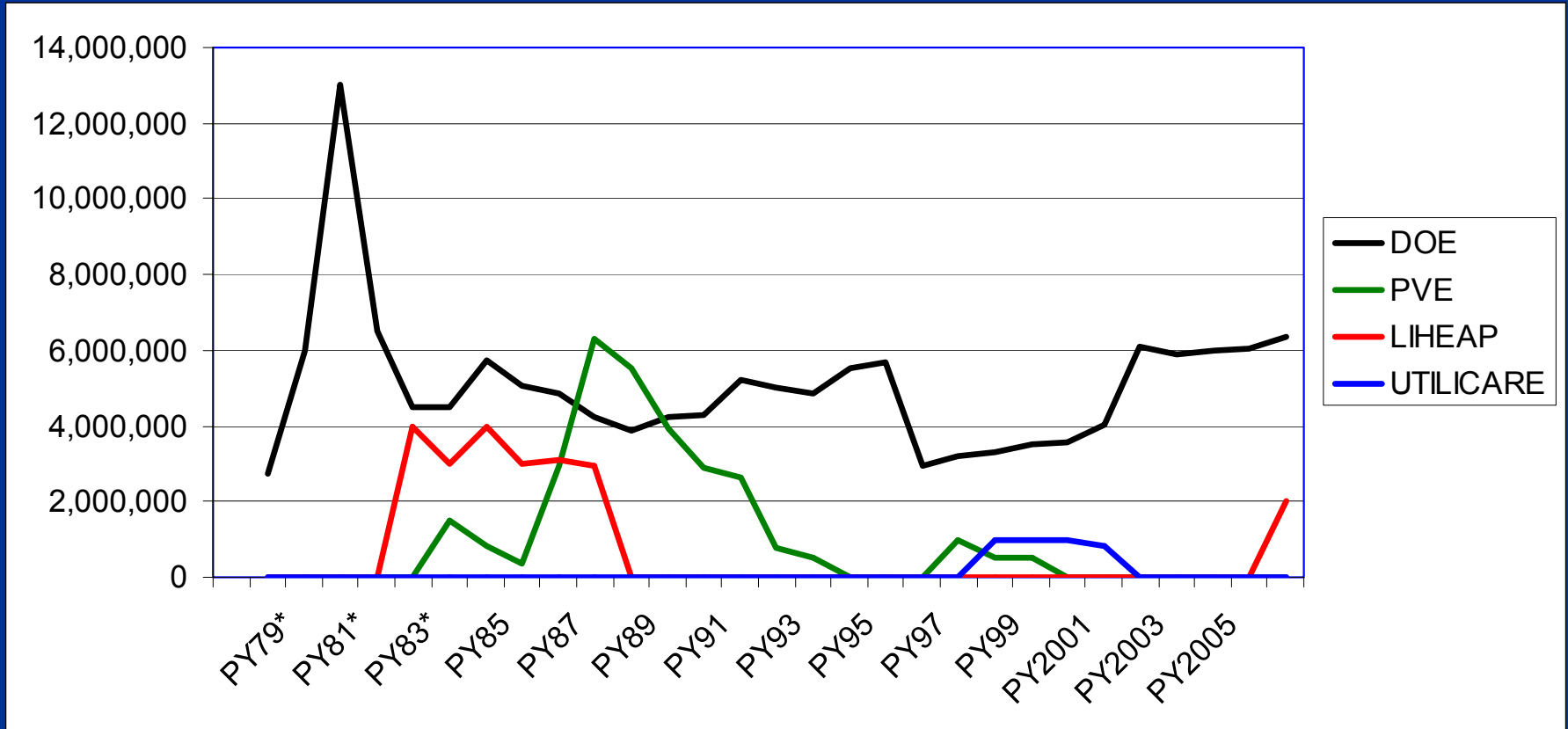


# Missouri Weatherization Works!

Our mission is to reduce the energy burden on Low-income residents by installing cost effective energy efficiency measures, while ensuring their health and safety

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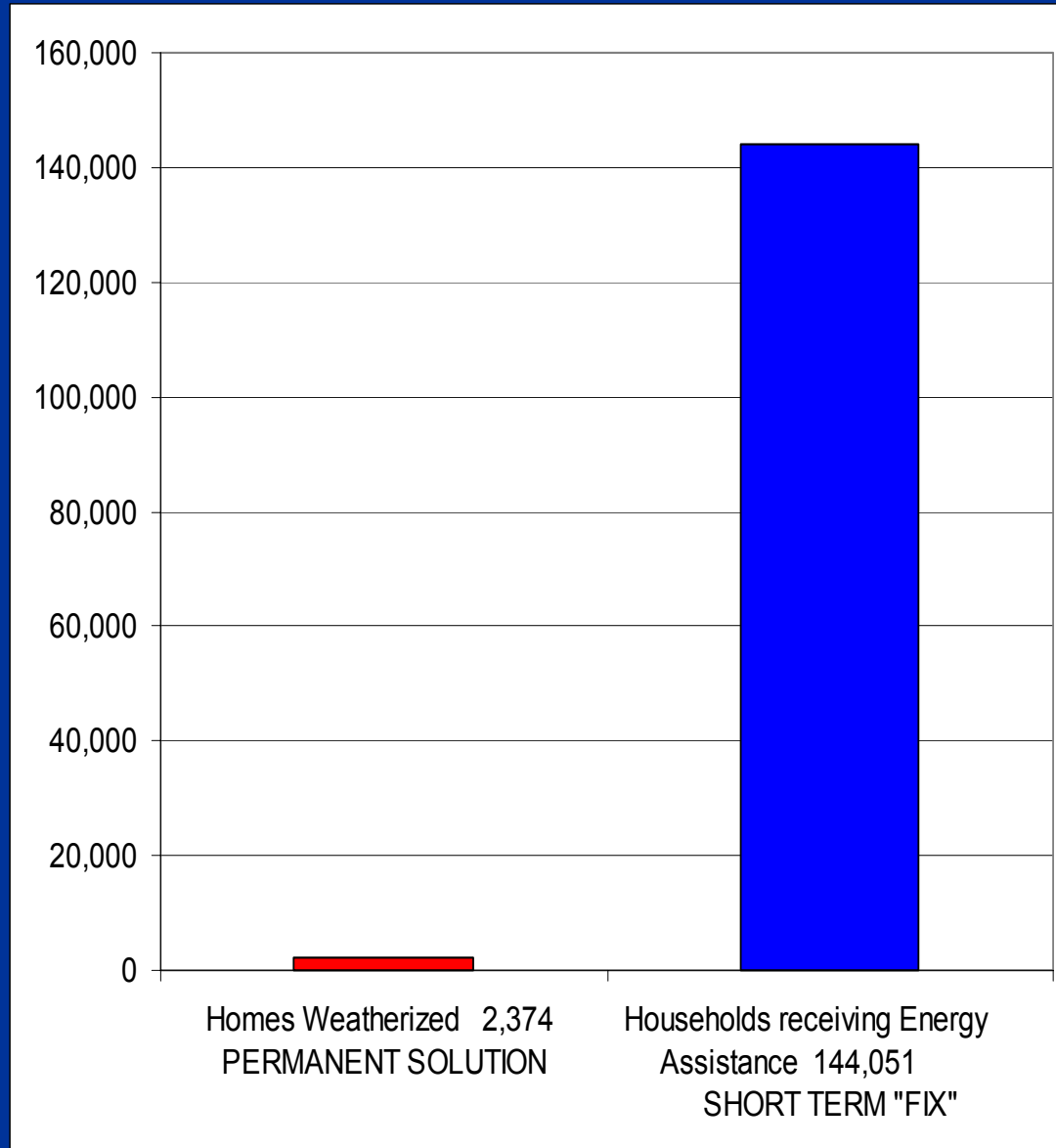
# Missouri's Weatherization Funding History



(No LIHEAP Funding from 1987-2006)

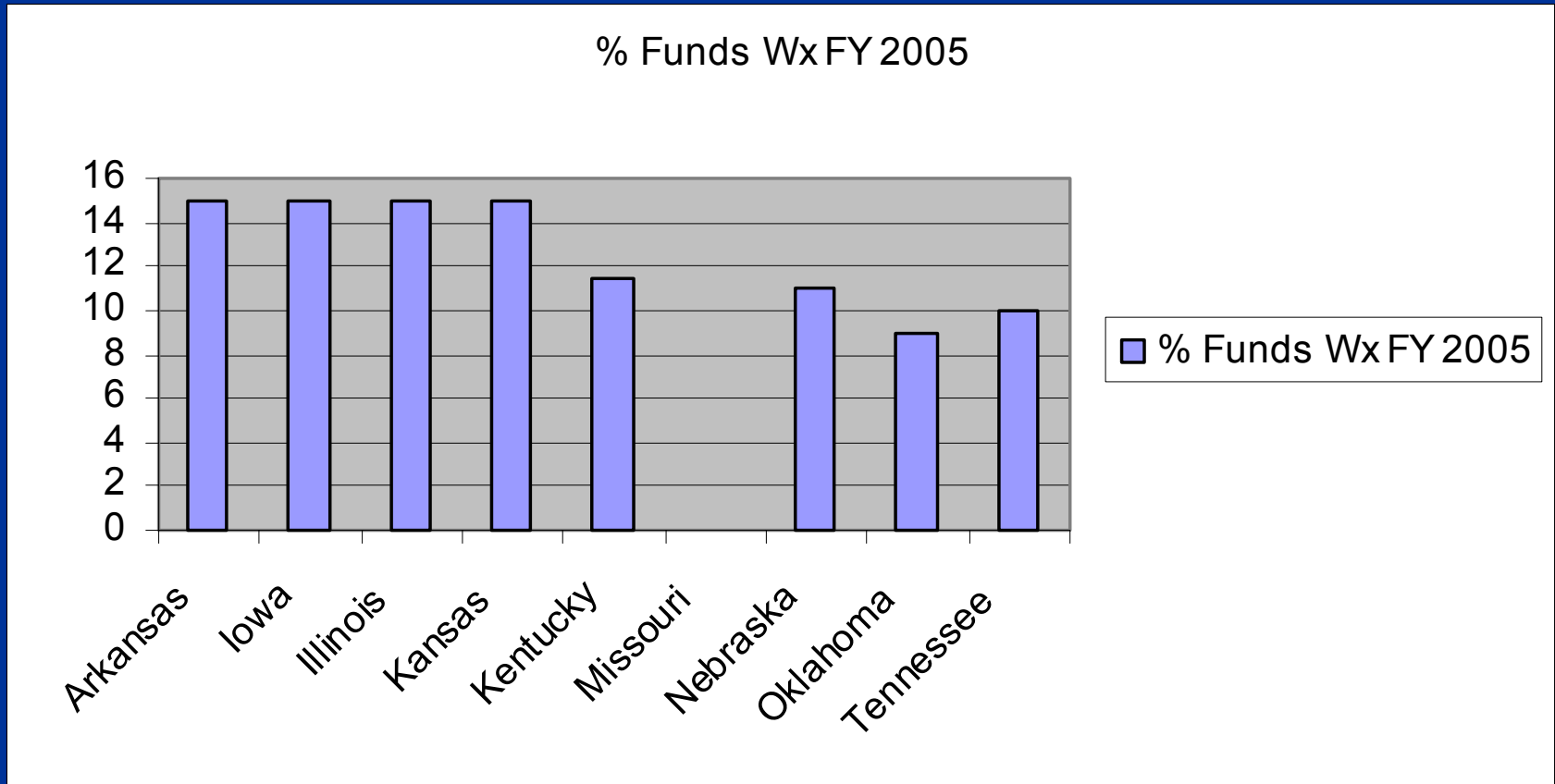
# Why Weatherization?

- Low-income families often choose between heat and other necessities
- 445,888 low-income households in Missouri



# 2005 % of LIHEAP Funds Allocated for Weatherization

## (Missouri and Surrounding States)



NOTE: 45 States Transfer LIHEAP Funds to Weatherization.  
Missouri is 1 of 5 that chooses not to.

# Program Funding

U. S. DOE provides core Weatherization program funding through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources.

- Missouri could transfer up to 25% of LIHEAP funds directly to the Weatherization Program (Public Law 97-35).
- Weatherization funds are used in partnership with other State and Federal housing programs to maximize benefits.
- Local agencies throughout Missouri leverage additional private resources.
- Local agencies solicit contributions from rental property owners serving low-income households.
- Some regulated utilities provide funding to the Weatherization Program.

# Weatherization Impact

- Heavy energy burden on low-income
  - Typically spend 16% of annual income on energy, compared with 5% for other households
  - Higher incidence of arrearages and disconnects
  - Higher utility deposits
  - Reduce dependency on public funds for utility/fuel assistance

# Weatherization Benefits to Missourians

The Weatherization Program benefits low-income Missourians by:

- Reducing energy consumption;
- Providing long-term relief from expensive energy bills;
- Alleviating arrearages and breaks destructive cycle of shut-offs and re-connections;
- Reducing substandard living conditions and reducing homelessness;
- Helping provide a safer, healthier living environment;
- Stimulating economic development.

# Weatherization Results!

- Average annual energy savings = \$358\* first-year savings per household
- Returns \$2.67 in energy and non-energy benefits for every \$1 invested in the program
- Avoids 1 metric ton of carbon dioxide emissions for every home weatherized
- Creates 52 direct jobs & 23 indirect jobs for every \$1 million of funding

**\* Calculated January 2006 based on 20-year EIA annual price projections discounted to present value.**



# Recommendation

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**Weatherization Policy Advisory Council  
Missouri Association for Community Action**

- Transfer 15% of LIHEAP Funds as allowed by Federal Law to Department of Natural Resources Weatherization Program.