

Window Dressers Q&A

From March 18, 2020 webinar, featuring a presentation by Doc Bagley of Strafford, VT, on volunteer efforts to build interior window inserts for low income residents, with support from the Window Dressers of Maine.

Who can I contact at Window Dressers to inquire about getting my town involved?

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Did people pay for their windows or get them for free? If they paid for windows, who determined the price and what was the price range?

A typical insert averages around \$40 for natural pine. \$50+ for white frames. Those whose income was above the Capstone weatherization guidelines paid full price for their frames. Many of those who were subsidized donated to the program (~\$10 per window on average)

How much did you need to raise and pay to Window Dressers for the frames?

Each town had a budget of \$4,500 and depending on how many subsidized inserts were to be paid for from the subsidy fund determined how much need to be raised.

How did you secure grants to help defray the cost? Did Window Dressers help with that?

We had folks with grant writing expertise who pursued the On-line applications. Window Dressers was available to help.

How will Covid-19 impact your effort?

For the moment, we have suspended all preparations for the 2020-21 season. The coronavirus situation is evolving so rapidly that we simply cannot plan for the fall right now. So, we are hitting Pause and we will see what the next two months brings. Hopefully by May or June, we'll have a better picture of our social reality for the summer and fall. In the meantime, we have instructed all volunteers to cease measuring appointments until further notice.