

Purpose of the Financial Assistance Working Group

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Purpose of FAWG

- Develop a framework for the delivery of emergency financial assistance to low-income energy consumers
- Develop a framework for the long-term coordination and administration of LEAP

FAWG function

- Each FAWG meeting will include:
 - An agenda
 - Materials for review and comment by FAWG members
 - Support information (e.g. oral presentations)
 - Plenary sessions and discussions
 - Subgroup discussions and reporting

Subgroup purpose

- Distribute expertise and experience
- Provide extensive opportunity for all FAWG members to express their ideas
- Foster discussion and consensus building
- Identify issues and areas of consensus
- Merge to create commonality in the framework

Decision making process

- Adopt minutes
- Agree to action items
- Identify issues
- Suggest resolutions to issues
- Identify areas of agreement
- Reach consensus, where possible

Coordination with the CWG

- Opportunity for FAWG to comment on overlapping issues
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- Follow the progress of each group