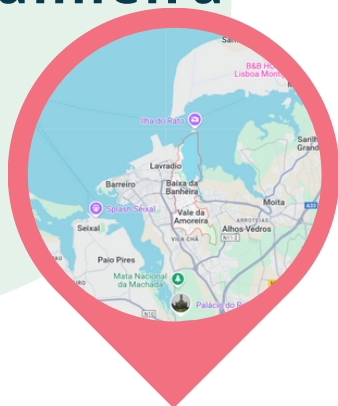


# Baixa da Banheira & Vale da Amoreira Portugal



## RESULTS

### 2nd technical assistance of the Energy Poverty Advisory Hub 2023-2024

The Union of the Civil Parishes of Baixa da Banheira and Vale da Amoreira, in collaboration with the health center USF Querer Mais, addressed energy poverty as a public health issue. Energy poverty affects health, especially for those with cardiovascular, respiratory, or rheumatologic conditions, as they are more vulnerable to **extreme home temperatures**.

#### Objectives

The objectives include developing a process to identify individuals in energy poverty, establishing methods for health center staff to recognize energy poverty using surveys and existing data, coordinating access to mitigation measures through collaboration with local partners, and consolidating and sharing knowledge to improve public access to resources.

#### Activities & Outcomes

The survey of 66 vulnerable families analysed energy poverty and health data, while support included promoting synergies with another EPAH TA replicating a OSS Transition Point NExt2U, energy bill analysis, and assistance with funding applications. Additionally, a **statistical tool and mapping** were created to guide future measures and prioritize areas for initial action. The results revealed a high vulnerability to energy poverty among the surveyed population, with potential **severe health consequences**.

#### Challenge

Resource constraints, including limited human resources, posed significant hurdles. Data gaps, particularly in local data related with health impacts, required additional efforts in primary data collection. Building trust with beneficiaries was another challenge, as initial mistrust from vulnerable consumers needed to be overcome.

The project will continue to gather surveys, explore the detailed relationship between energy poverty and health, and evaluate the follow-up support provided to families.



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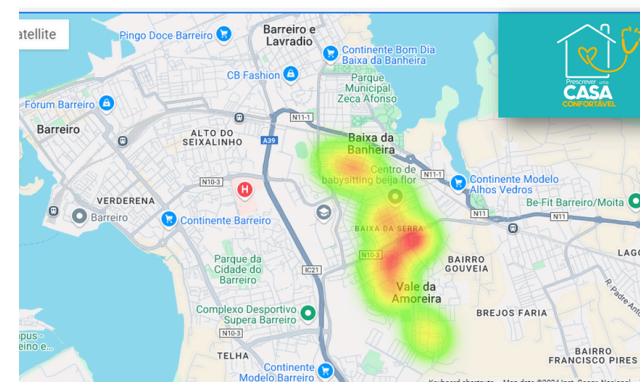
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Energy poverty phase: Diagnosis



Topics: Health, survey



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