

HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

HEAP helps low-income people pay the cost of heating their homes. If you are eligible, you may receive one regular HEAP benefit per program year and could also be eligible for emergency HEAP benefits if you are in danger of running out of fuel or having your utility service shut off.

HEAP MAY BE ABLE TO HELP YOU IF YOU HEAT YOUR HOME WITH:

- Electricity
- Natural Gas
- Oil
- Coal
- Propane
- Wood/Wood Pellets
- Kerosene
- Corn

HEATING EQUIPMENT REPAIR AND REPLACEMENT (HERR):

Heating Equipment Repair and Replacement (HERR) benefits are available to assist Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) eligible households with the cost to repair or replace the applicant's primary heating equipment. The applicant must own their dwelling, and the heating equipment must have been documented by a participating vendor to be inoperable or unsafe, and in need of repair and or replacement. Heating equipment replacement is also available, under limited circumstances and with medical documentation, to replace systems that are detrimental to a household member's health. Documentation must be in writing from a physician, physician's assistant, or nurse practitioner and must specify the reason why the current heating system is detrimental to the household member's health.

Benefit amounts based on the actual cost incurred to repair or replace your furnace, boiler, and/or other essential heating equipment, \$4,000 for a repair and \$8,000 for a replacement. Applicants who have had their heating system replaced by HERR within the 10 years prior to their application date are not eligible.

COOLING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Eligible households may receive one Cooling Assistance benefit per applicant household for the purchase and installation of an air conditioner or a fan to help your home stay cool. Only one air conditioner or fan, not to exceed \$800 with installation for a window, portable air conditioner, or fan and not to exceed \$1,000 for an existing wall sleeve unit will be provided per applicant household.

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A BENEFIT IF:

- Your household's gross monthly income is at or below the current income guidelines for your household size as posted on the following table
- Your household contains at least one individual with a documented medical condition that is exacerbated by extreme heat, or

- Your household contains a vulnerable member based on their age (elderly age 60 years or older, or young children under age 6) which meet all other component eligibility criteria, and
- You currently do not have a working air conditioner or the air conditioner you have is five years old or older, and
- You did not receive a HEAP funded air conditioner within the past five years.

HEATING EQUIPMENT CLEAN AND TUNE

Eligible households can receive energy efficiency services, which includes the cleaning of primary heating equipment, but may also include chimney cleaning, minor repairs, installation of carbon monoxide detectors or programmable thermostats, if needed, to allow for the safe, proper and efficient operation of the heating equipment. Benefit amounts based on the actual cost incurred to provide clean and tune services, up to a maximum of \$500. No additional HEAP cash benefits are available.

YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR A BENEFIT IF:

- You are the homeowner
- Your household's gross monthly income is at or below the current income guidelines for your household size as posted on the following table
- Your primary heating equipment is more than 12 months old
- Your primary heating equipment or chimney has not been cleaned within the last 12 months
- You do not have a service contract with your vendor that includes clean and tune services

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Eligibility and benefits are based on:

- Household size
- The primary heating sources
- The presence of a household member who is under age 6, age 60 or older or permanently disabled.
- You and your household members are United States Citizens or qualified aliens.
- Your household's gross monthly income is at or below the current income guides for your household size as posted in the table below.
- You receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits.
- You receive Temporary Assistance.
- You receive Code A Supplemental Security Income. (SSI Living Alone)

Regular benefits for households that pay directly for heat based on actual usage are paid directly to the vendor that supplies the source of the heat.

HEAP HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND GROSS MONTHLY INCOME

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	GROSS MONTHLY INCOME
1	\$3,473
2	\$4,542
3	\$5,611
4	\$6,680
5	\$7,749

6	\$8,818
7	\$9,018
8	\$9,218
9	\$9,419
10	\$9,619
11	\$9,820
EACH ADDITIONAL	ADD \$687