



# Getting LIHEAP in Pennsylvania

LIHEAP is the **Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program**. This program helps low-income families pay their heating bills.

**You don't need to be on welfare**  
**You don't need to have an unpaid heating bill** (your heat can still be on)  
**You can either rent or own your home**

LIHEAP is taking new applications for its *cash, weatherization and crisis* grants **beginning November 1, 2017.**\*

Applications for LIHEAP will not be accepted after April 6, 2018.  
***If you received LIHEAP last year you must reapply this year!***

There are three parts of LIHEAP. You can get all three.

1. **Cash grants.** These grants are to help with your heating bill; the minimum cash grant will be \$200 and the maximum grant is \$1000.
2. **Crisis grants.** These grants are up to **\$500** and given to families who have an emergency and are in danger of being without heat. The minimum crisis grant is \$25.
3. **Weatherization grants.** These grants help families insulate their houses and repair or replace heating systems to save money on heating.

To apply for a Cash or Crisis grant, go to your local County Assistance Office (CAO) or apply online at [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us). It can take up to 30 days to process a cash grant application. You can also call to apply or check on your application status: **1-877-857-7095**

For more information and to download LIHEAP applications starting 11/1/17—in English and Spanish—go to <http://www.dhs.state.pa.us/foradults/heatingassistanceliheap/index.htm>

*You are eligible for the Cash or Crisis grant if your yearly income before taxes is under:*

Household Size	Monthly Income	Yearly Income
1	\$1,507.50	\$18,090
2	\$2,030.00	\$24,360
3	\$2,552.50	\$30,630
4	\$3,075.00	\$36,900
Each additional person add		\$ 6,270

***Unlike previous years there will be no in-season supplemental grants issued to vulnerable households.***

*\*The more than 346,000 households in Pennsylvania who received LIHEAP last year will receive pre-season invitations to apply for cash grants; crisis grants will not be considered before November 1<sup>st</sup>.*

**If you need legal assistance, please apply for our services by calling North Penn Legal Services at 1-877-953-4250 (toll-free).**