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Home Energy Assistance Programs

LIHEAP Direct Vendor Payment

LIHEAP DVP is designed to assist income-eligible households with winter energy services, in the form of a one-time benefit payment to the utility companies that are applied directly to the household's energy bills. The amount of the payment is determined by income, household size, and fuel type.

ComEd Residential Special Hardship

ComEd's hardship fund provides a variable one-time credit equal to the past due balance up to \$500 on the ComEd bills of households with a demonstrated hardship case. The program is not available for disconnected accounts or accounts with evidence of tampering or fraud. Customers may only receive a grant once every two years. Utility customers must complete a COMED residential hardship application to determine eligibility.

DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO APPLY:

- Proof of gross income from all household members for the 30-day period to the application date.
- Copy of most recent heat and electric bills (if you pay for your home energy directly)
- Proof of Social Security Numbers of all household members
- If a member of your household receives TANF, you must bring their Medical Eligibility Card
- Applicants that have their utilities included in the rent must bring proof of rental agreement stating monthly rental amount, that utilities are included, and landlord contact information. (Rent costs must be greater than 30% of household gross income for 30 days prior to application).

DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO APPLY:

Please provide documentation for all circumstances. Proof of all hardships must be within 6 MONTHS. Disability proof must state disability and show monthly amount. Disconnected and final accounts will not be credited.

- Medical
- Military
- Senior
- Disability
- Loss of Employment or Unexpected Loss of Income
- Family Crisis
- Property Damage
- Victimized by Criminal Activity

INCOME GUIDELINES (EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 1, 2011)	
*Gross Income for 30 Days Prior to Application Date	
Family Size	LIHEAP
1	\$1,361
2	\$1,839
3	\$2,316
4	\$2,794
5	\$3,271
6	\$3,749

INCOME GUIDELINES 250%	
*Gross Income for 30 Days Prior to Application Date	
Family Size	ComEd
1	\$2,327
2	\$3,152
3	\$3,977
4	\$4,802
5	\$5,627
6	\$6,452

APPLY NOW! Funds are still available in Cook County for Utility Bill Payment Assistance.

Programs end when funds are exhausted. For More Information Contact CEDA Energy Hotline (800) 571-CEDA (2332)