

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency
PY21 LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Assistance Program for income eligible households of Stephenson and Jo Daviess Counties who are **homeowners** and whose **existing** heating systems are not functioning or have been red-tagged by their utility.

The purpose of the LIHEAP Furnace program is to restore heat to the household and is available from July 27, 2020 through April 30, 2021 or until funds are exhausted.

All income eligible homeowners may apply for emergency furnace assistance. The household must have active service with both primary and secondary heating utilities. Households with disconnected utilities are not eligible for this assistance.

To qualify for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program, the household must first apply and be approved for LIHEAP or PIPP assistance. Please call the office at 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 between 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. to receive an application packet. All applications will be taken by mail, email, phone, or fax in response to Covid-19.

INCOME GUIDELINES

| <u>Family Size</u> | <u>DVP 30 Day Income</u> | <u>PIPP 30 Day Income</u> |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 | \$2,127 | \$1,595 |
| 2 | \$2,873 | \$2,155 |
| 3 | \$3,620 | \$2,715 |
| 4 | \$4,367 | \$3,275 |
| 5 | \$5,113 | \$3,835 |
| For each additional person add | \$747 | For each additional person add \$560 |

**** The following documents will be required to apply for assistance. ****

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household. **No other document can be accepted as proof of social security number.**
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days including the application date such as pay check stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD current benefit letters, pension/retirement statements, child support, unemployment reports, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance notices, self employment reports and zero income.
- Complete current heat and electric bills
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Service
- Copy of real estate tax bill
- Copy of warranty deed, contract for deed, or quit claim deed (all of these must be stamped and registered with the county clerk); **or** Copy of current mortgage statement; **or** Copy of the original title if your home is a mobile home.

The office is closed to the public and outreach appointments are suspended until further notice.

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