

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency
2019 LIHEAP, PIPP, and Weatherization Assistance Programs

Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency has funding from the Department of Commerce & Economic Opportunity (DCEO) to assist residents of Jo Daviess and Stephenson Counties with home heating utility costs through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP), and Weatherization Programs.

Effective January 1, 2019, LIHEAP clients may only apply for the traditional Direct Vendor (DVP) one-time payment assistance. **No new PIPP applications may be taken after December 31, 2018.**

Starting December 3, 2018 all low- income eligible households may call to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance with their heating utility bills. LIHEAP applications will be taken until May 31, 2019 or until funding is exhausted.

Eligible households may call 800-883-1111 or 815-232-3141 from 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance at one of the following locations.

NICAA Main Office- Freeport	Stockton Banking Center	Warren Township Library
Hanover Village Hall	Citizens State Bank of Lena	East Dubuque Library
Illinois Bank & Trust- Galena Downtown	German-American State Bank – German Valley	

Income Guidelines To qualify, a household must have a 30 day gross income at or below 150% of the federal poverty level shown below for 30 days prior to and including the application date.

1-person household - \$1,518

2-person household - \$2,058

3-person household - \$2,598

4-person household - \$3,138

Add \$540 for each additional person in the household

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

- Social Security Cards for all members of the household
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days including the application date including 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 proof of zero income
- Complete current heat and electric bills **and** disconnect notices you have received
- Medical Card from Illinois Department of Human Services
- Copy of current lease or rent receipt
- Proof of homeownership, tax bill, or title (for mobile home) is required for weatherization assistance

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