

PY 18 LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program

An Emergency Furnace Assistance Program is available for LIHEAP 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 October 1, 2017 through March 31, 2018 or until funds have been exhausted.

Priority periods for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program are the following:

Beginning Monday, October 2, 2017, income eligible seniors (age 60 and older) and people receiving disability benefits may call to schedule an appointment to apply for assistance.

Starting November 1, 2017, families with children age 5 and under and households with an imminent disconnect notice may also call to schedule an appointment to apply.

Starting December 1, 2017 all other low- income eligible households may apply.

To qualify for the LIHEAP Emergency Furnace Program, the household must first apply for and be approved for LIHEAP assistance.

The household must have active service with both primary and secondary heating utilities. Households with disconnected utilities are not eligible for this assistance.

In addition to LIHEAP documents, the following documentation to show proof of home ownership is required:

- Copy of real estate tax bill
Or
- Copy of warranty deed, contract for deed, or quit claim deed (all of these must be stamped and registered with the county clerk)
Or
- If a mobile home, must have a copy of the mobile home title.

Please call 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 to make an appointment for assistance.