ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 2023

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) application to help pay energy and water bills is open from October 3, 2022, to May 15, 2023 at 5:00 PM Eastern Time. Please read below to learn how to apply.

For assistance and/or questions about the Energy Assistance Program, please visit <u>https://www.in.gov/ihcda/homeowners-and-renters/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap/</u>

Or contact the Community Programs team at LIHEAP@ihcda.in.gov.

What is the Energy Assistance Program (EAP)?

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) can help you pay your heat and electric bills, as well as water! EAP is a federallyfunded program through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) called the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). EAP provides a one-time annual benefit that can assist you with the high cost of home energy and can help if you are disconnected, or are about to get disconnected. However, an EAP benefit will not cover all of your annual heating and electrics costs, so you should continue to pay your bills regularly.

You can apply for an energy assistance benefit for Program Year 2023 from October 3, 2022 until May 15, 2023.

October 1, 2022	Opening Day of Federal 2023
October 3, 2022	Online application opens to the public. LSPs may distribute mail-in applications to households that do not qualify as at-risk.
November 1, 2022	Benefit notifications to applicants and vendors begin. In-person appointments begin. Appointments are not required to apply—you can submit your application electronically, via email or mail your application
December 1, 2022	Energy moratorium begins. Eligible EAP clients cannot be disconnected from electricity and heating service.
March 15, 2023	End of energy moratorium protection.
May 15, 2023	End of EAP application period at of 5:00 PM Eastern Time.