



## Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program



LIHEAP is a program that provides energy assistance to households in Washington state. This program is offered through a network of community agencies and local partners. If you qualify, your local LIHEAP agency will directly send a payment to your energy utilities company on behalf of your household. LIHEAP mainly focuses on assisting households by assisting financially with energy bills. In certain cases, LIHEAP may also help with repairs or replace unsafe, dysfunctional, and/or inoperative heating or cooling systems.

### Am I eligible to receive assistance?

Eligibility for LIHEAP is based on several factors. This includes household income, size, and heating costs. If you live in Washington state and your household has not received a LIHEAP grant during the current program year (October to September) you may be eligible. Visit the [LIHEAP Eligibility Guidelines](#) to learn more.\*

\*The eligibility guidelines are only a GUIDE. This does not determine your eligibility. To have your eligibility determined, you must contact a local LIHEAP provider.

### How do I apply?

To apply for LIHEAP, contact your local agency to schedule an appointment. Your local agency will help determine if you are eligible to apply for assistance. To find your local organization, visit <https://fortress.wa.gov/com/liheappublic/map.aspx>.

### How often can I apply for the LIHEAP program?

Households can only apply for the LIHEAP once each program year. The program runs from Oct. 1 through Sept. 30. You may apply each year.

## Portable Air Conditioning Units

DDA Clients living in an in-home setting may be able to access portable air conditioning units through LIHEAP. The AC Unit will be delivered to your home, but it does not include installation. There is a limit of one AC unit per household. You are encouraged to submit your request as soon as possible. Air purifier units are offered for clients who live in areas that have historically been impacted by smoke from wildfires.

## Contact Information

- LIHEAP@commerce.wa.gov
- (360)725-2857

## Links and Resources

- Washington State Department of Commerce: LIHEAP: <http://www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/energy/low-income-home-energy-assistance/>
- LIHEAP Eligibility Guidelines: <https://deptofcommerce.app.box.com/s/3fp0xz4y2x2p4hedw9ww4sk7ma36srlx>
- HHS LIHEAP Home Page: <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/low-income-home-energy-assistance-program-liheap>
- LIHEAP 101: What you need to know: <https://liheapch.acf.hhs.gov/pubs/LCIssueBriefs/FinalLIHEAPPrimer.pdf>