

## *Franklin Interfaith Council – A Call to Generosity for Heating Help Fund*

With a historic winter season in the books, the requests for heating assistance have been greater than usual and we need your help! Will you donate to help Franklin neighbors in need with their heating bills?

<https://franklinminterfaith.org/donate>

Since its inception in 1991, the Franklin Interfaith Council has raised funds to help Franklin residents in need of wintertime heating help. Historically used for only oil and propane distributions, the Council voted recently to also include winter electric and gas bills. Our Heating Help Fund (previously Fuel Assistance Fund) has been nearly depleted and the heating season isn't over yet! Distributions in a given year vary depending on need (\*see below). We have already helped 12 neighbors and expect to help a few more this season.

\*Heating Help Fund Distributions:

Oct 2023 – May 2024	\$5600 (9 neighbors)
Oct 2024 – May 2025	\$2100 (6 neighbors)
Oct 2025 – March 2026	\$5780 (12 neighbors)

For context, we typically raise about \$2100 every year for heating help at our annual Franklin Interfaith Thanksgiving Service. Thank you to all who have donated in years past! With carryover from previous years, we usually start the season with \$3.5 – 5k each October. This coming Fall 2026 we anticipate starting with next to nothing. And so we call on the generosity of residents of the great town of Franklin to donate so that we can continue to help our neighbors in need! All donations are tax-deductible. No amount is too small.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and continued support!