



What is LIHWAP?

LIHWAP stands for the **Low Income Household Water Assistance Program**.

LIHWAP offers a **one-time payment** to help you pay your **water or wastewater bills**.

LIHWAP can help you if you're **past due** on your water bill or even if you're **current** on payments.

LIHWAP helps pay bills accrued **anytime**. There are no date restrictions.

How Do I Apply?

Households can apply for LIHWAP assistance through a local LIHWAP service provider. Eligibility for LIHWAP services can vary depending on income, water system participation, place of residence, and other factors. Households whose utility payments are included in their rent may also be eligible for LIHWAP. Recipients of CalFresh, CalWORKs, and LIHEAP are automatically income-qualified for LIHWAP assistance. Contact your local LIHWAP service provider to learn more about how to apply by visiting csd.ca.gov/waterbill.

What Can I Qualify For?

LIHWAP provides one-time payments to low-income households that are eligible for assistance. The size of a benefit will vary depending on the household's residential water and wastewater bills. In addition, program participation is limited to households receiving services from water and wastewater providers enrolled in LIHWAP to receive the payment of assistance benefits. **Households that qualify for LIHWAP could reduce their water or wastewater charges by hundreds, or even thousands of dollars depending on their bill.**

If you are struggling to afford your water or wastewater bills, please visit csd.ca.gov/waterbill to see if you qualify for payment assistance through LIHWAP and to find the local service provider near you to apply.