



Energy Assistance is Available Now!

You do not need a turn-off notice to apply for energy assistance.

Do not delay. Submit an application today.

Utilities in Maryland are allowed to start sending out termination notices to customers on October 1, 2020. Customers will have 45 days to take action by making payments on their account, entering payment plans with their utility, and/or seeking assistance.

Who is eligible?

Renters, Homeowners, Residents of public housing, People living in sub-metered homes, Roomers/Boarders are all eligible for Energy Assistance grants.

The most important factors in determining who is eligible for energy assistance are the size of your household and how much money you made in the last 30 days. Our income eligibility guidelines are below:

Income eligibility Limits Effective July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021 (Based on 175% of the Federal Poverty Level)	
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	MAXIMUM MONTHLY INCOME STANDARDS
1	\$1,861
2	\$2,515
3	\$3,168
4	\$3,821
5	\$4,475
6	\$5,128
7	\$5,781
8	\$6,435
FOR EACH ADDITIONAL PERSON, ADD	\$654

What do I need to apply?

To apply for energy assistance you will need to provide copies of:

- The applicant's photo ID-Government-issued Identification cards (current or expired)
- Social Security Numbers for everyone who lives in your household
- A copy of your utility bill(s) or heating bill
- Proof of all income for everyone in the household for the last 30 days.

For a full list of documents we can accept, please visit our website:

<https://dhs.maryland.gov/office-of-home-energy-programs/acceptable-documents-energy-assistance/>

How much money will I receive?

The amount of money your household will receive depends on how much money your household brings in each month, the size of your household, and the amount of energy you use. You may be eligible to receive all of the following grants.

- **EUSP Bill Payment Grants:**
 - Average Benefit: \$447
- **MEAP Grants:**
 - Average Benefit: \$442
- **Electric Arrearage Grants:**
 - Minimum Benefit: \$300
 - Maximum Benefit: \$2,000
 - Average Benefit: \$862
 - Grant size is based on the size of your past due balance*
- **Gas Arrearage Grants:**
 - Minimum Benefit: \$300
 - Maximum Benefit: \$2,000
 - Average Benefit: \$607
 - Grant size is based on the size of your past due balance*

Will I receive less money if I am on a payment plan?

No. OHEP works closely with all Maryland utilities and heating companies to make sure we receive the most up-to date balances on every applicant's account. Your payment plan will not prevent you from receiving the full benefit for which you qualify. You may need to call your utility after receiving benefits to make changes to your payment plan.

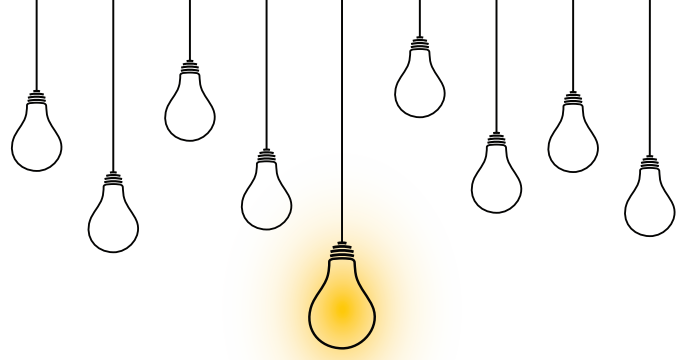
How can I apply for Energy Assistance?

You can apply online by visiting: <https://mydhrbenefits.dhr.state.md.us/>

Paper applications can be dropped off at your local OHEP office or submitted by mail.

Do I need a turn off notice to apply?

No! Do not wait to contact your utility if you are having difficulty paying your bill. Utilities must offer a minimum 12 month payment plan to everyone to protect accounts. If you receive assistance, you may be eligible for a 24 month payment plan from your utility. Payment plans will not affect your eligibility for energy assistance.



Do not wait to contact your local energy assistance office or apply online.

Allegany County Human Resources Development Commission, Inc.

(301)777-8550
energyassistance@alleganyhrdc.org

Anne Arundel County Equal Opportunities Committee, Inc.

(410)626-1900
energyprograms@aaccas.org

Baltimore City Community Action Partnership

(410)396-6406
OHEP@baltimorecity.gov

Baltimore County Dept. of Social Services

(410)853-3385
ohep.mailrequest@maryland.gov

Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties, Southern MD Tri County Community Action

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OHEP@smtccac.org

Caroline County Dept. Social Services

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Human Services Programs of Carroll County, Inc.

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Kent County Dept. of Social Services

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