

# **NOTICE TO ALL 2024 APPLICANTS**

Applications will **ONLY** be accepted during the following dates:

1/18/24 - 1/26/24

Applications received or postmarked <u>prior to</u> 8am on 1/18/24 <u>WILL NOT</u> be accepted.

Applications received or postmarked <u>after</u> 5pm on 1/26/24 <u>WILL NOT</u> be accepted.

Pending funding availability, EAC will open additional application acceptance windows on the following dates:

2/5/24 - 2/13/24 3/4/24 - 3/12/24

\*Faxed or emailed applications received outside of the acceptance window will be discarded.

\*Mailed applications postmarked outside of the acceptance window will not be accepted and marked return to sender.

\*Applications will be processed in the order they are received.

\*Your application is a screening tool and NOT a guarantee of service.

\*All services are dependent on available funding and client eligibility.

\*You are still responsible for paying your bill until your application is processed and you are notified of the outcome.



# PLEASE NOTE: Incomplete applications WILL NOT be processed!

- Applications will be accepted during **SCHEDULED DATES ONLY** via email, fax, mail, or drop-off and will be processed according to the date received.
- PLEASE NOTE that it can take anywhere from 2-4 weeks to process completed applications and in some
  cases, it may take longer depending on the time of the year and the number of applications already in
  progress.
- You are still responsible for paying your bill until your application is processed and you are notified of the outcome.
- This application is for screening purposes only and does not guarantee your eligibility to receive services.

# INSTRUCTIONS & DOCUMENTS REQUIRED BEFORE APPLICATION CAN BE ACCEPTED (All information MUST be for the CURRENT PROGRAM YEAR in which services are provided.)

- 1. Completed application with ALL required documents.
- 2. Driver's License, Texas ID, or Federal ID w/photo.
- 3. Social Security cards for ALL household members.
- 4. School records for all children listed on your application currently enrolled in school.
- 5. Proof of ALL income FOR THE PAST 30 DAYS for every household member 18 years or older who works or receives assistance. (This includes check stubs, Current Year Award Letter for Social Security (Regular), Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI), or Social Security Insurance (SSI), VA, TANF Letter, Retirement, Pension, Unemployment printout that shows the weekly payment amounts (not the overall benefit amount), BANK STATEMENTS ARE NOT ACCEPTED as income.
- 6. Proof of Child Support.
- 7. For self-employed clients or clients without income for the past 30 days, you must complete the Declaration of Income Statement declaring the amount of income received for the past 30 days.
- 8. If you or anyone in the household is disabled, you must complete the self-certification form of disability provided with the application.
- 9. Most recent utility bills.
- Complete ENTIRE application, answer ALL questions, and sign ALL pages where required. Incomplete applications WILL NOT be processed and will be RETURNED.
- If ALL required documents are not provided, your application WILL NOT be processed. You will be contacted once by email, phone, or mail to inform you of what is needed. You will have 7 business days to provide the information. After which, your application will be denied, and no services will be provided.

If you are <u>mailing</u> your application, you must provide copies of the required documents. Any documents you provide will be kept in your case file and will not be returned to you.

#### PLEASE HAND DELIVER, MAIL, EMAIL OR FAX YOUR APPLICATION TO THE LOCATION LISTED BELOW:

Mailing Address	Physical Address	Fax Number	Email	
	(Mail will NOT be delivered to this address)			
P.O. Box 1685	904 Whitson	(979) 245-5699	eac-energy@sbcglobal.net	
Bay City, Texas 77404	Bay City, Texas 77414			

# For Office Use Only Date Received: \_\_\_\_/2024 Time:\_\_\_ Rec. By: \_\_\_\_ Via:\_\_\_\_

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-	<b>Economic Action Committee</b>
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HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED ASSISTANCE F	YEARS?	☐ YES ☐ NO						
Head of Household Information								
Name:								
Mailing Address:								
City/State/Zip:		County:						
Physical Address: (if different from above)								
City/State/Zip:		County:						
Phone #: (We MUST be able to contact you)		Type: □ Cell	l □Work □Home					
Email:								
EACGC will ONLY communicate with Head Would you like to authorize EACGC to com	_	-	<del>-</del>					
Authorized Person Name:	Relationship to Applicant:		Person Phone #:					
By Signing this, I authorize EACGC to communicate with the person listed above regarding services requested on this application. I understand that I can revoke authorization at anytime by contacting EACGC.								
Applicant Signature:		Date:						
Household Type								
Number of people in household:								
☐ Single Parent Female	□ 2 Adults, No Children	☐ Two Pai	rent HH					
☐ Single Parent Male	☐ Single Person	□ Multi-G	Generational					
$\square$ Non-Related Adults w/children	☐ Other:							
Select ALL that apply to any member of the	` ,							
☐ Age 60 or over	□ Disabled	☐ Child as	ged 5 or younger					

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Housing Information								
Type of Residence: (C	heck ALL	that apply)						
□ House	□Ара	artment 🗆 Mobile	e Home/Trailer □ Duplex	□ Townhouse				
	□S	subsidized/Public Ho	using 🗆 Other:	-				
Housing Status: □ Own □ Purchasing □ Rent Monthly Payment:								
Are utilities included in rent?   Yes   No If yes, which utilities?								
Weatherization								
Weatherization reduce comfortable through th		-	reduces your energy cost, and r materials.	makes your home more				
Are you interested in	a Weathe	rization Program?	l Yes □ No					
Does your home's hea	ating/coo	ling system need se	rvice or repair? 🗆 Yes 🗆 No					
Utility Information								
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Presenting Needs/Priority Information
Services WILL NOT be provided unless this page is completed, and no area is left blank.  ****NO EXCEPTIONS****  ***If answers are not provided, your application will be deemed as incomplete and WILL NOT be processed.***
What do you need assistance with and why? (Check All that apply)
☐ Electric Bill ☐ Gas Bill ☐ Propane Bill ☐ Water Bill ☐ Medication ☐ Rent ☐ Food ☐ Clothes
□ Weatherization □ Child Care □ GED □ College Classes □ Uniforms/Tools □ Job Referral
Other:
Why do you need assistance from EACGC today? (This information is required, or no assistance will be provided.)
(This information is required, or no assistance witt be provided.)
If you are claiming no household income, explain how you are living day to day.
Is anyone living in your household age 14-24 not attending school or working? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If yes, who and why?
Case Management
Are you or anyone in your household willing and able to obtain a job, enroll in job training or engage in ways to increase your income by actively participating in EACGC's Transitioning Out of Poverty (TOPs) Program? Are you willing to make a commitment to follow-up on referrals, submit monthly income and meet with a Case Manager a minimum of once a month to successfully complete the Transitioning Out of Poverty (TOPs) Program?
□ Yes □ No
If yes, who?
Acknowledgement and Release of Information
I hereby give my permission to release any information and understand that it will be kept in the strictest of confidence. I understand that a photocopy or fax of this release is as valid as the original. I also give EACGC permission to share with, to inquire about, make pledges, and receive all information from other agencies, utility vendors and employers as needed. I understand that I may be subject to prosecution for providing false information.
Applicant Initial:
By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read, understand, and agree with the entire EACGC Intake Application. I certify that the information on this application is correct, and I also understand that receipt of assistance through misrepresentation or fraud is punishable by fine or imprisonment.
Applicant Signature:DATE



(Please complete this portion being disabled. Please Note		you are certifying yourself	
Applicant Name:			
Name of Person with a Disability:			
Relationship to the Applicant:		cant Other □ Parent □ G	
Person with a DisabilityAny individ	dual who is:		
<ul> <li>An individual described in 2</li> <li>Disabled as defined in 42 U</li> <li>Receiving benefits under 38</li> <li>An individual with a disability</li> </ul>	.S.C. 1382(a)(3)(A), 42 U.S.C 3 U.S.C. Chapter 11 or 15; or	C. §423, or in 42 U.S.C. §1500	
$\hfill \square$ I receive benefits as a result of	my disability.		
$\ \square$ I do not receive benefits as a re	sult of my disability.		
☐ I do not receive benefits as a re	esult of my disability, but I ha	ve applied for benefits.	
I hereby certify that the above informaccordance with the above state de			and belief and in
Signature of Person with Disability of	of His/Her Guardian	 Date	

#### Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) System and US Citizenship/US National

Applicant Certification Form for CEAP, DOE-WAP, LIHEAP-WAP Subrecipients, and SHTF, ESG, HHSP, EH (political subdivision only)

The program for which you are applying requires verification that you are a U.S. citizen, a non-citizen national, or a legal resident of the United States. Documentation of your status is required. This agency uses the Systematic Alien Verification for Entitlements (SAVE) System to verify the status of non-citizens.

	U.S. Citizen (Born or Naturalized) or U.S. National	Qualified Alien	Documentation P	rovided for:
Household Member Name	(Yes/No)	(Yes/No)	Citizenship/Qualified Alien	Identification
add additional household members, use another copy of this form	n.	•	•	

I AM AWARE THAT I AM SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION FOR PROVIDING FALSE OR FRAUDULA	ANT INFORMATION.	
Applicant's Signature		Date
Signature of agency staff certifying they verified the above documents	Print Staff Name	Date

# DECLARATION OF INCOME STATEMENT (DECLARACION DE INGRESOS)

Applicant Name (Nombre del Solicitante)	Applicant Last Name (Apellido)	Suffix (Sufijo)
Address (Dirección)	City (Ciudad)	Zip Code (Código Postal)

State the gross income for household members, 18 years and older, who have no documentation of the income received in the **30 day period** prior to the date of application for assistance: (Declarar el ingreso recibido por los miembros de su hogar, que tienen 18 años de edad ó mas, y que no tienen documentación de ingresos por los 30 dias antes del aplicar para asistencia)

Name (Nombre)	Gross Income Received (Ingreso Bruto
	Recibido)
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	Recibido)
My household has no documented proof of income due to	the following situation (Mi hogar no tiene
prueba para documentar los ingresos por medio de tal razon	•

prueba para documentar los ingresos por medio de tal razones):	situation (Mt nogur no tiene
I certify that the above information is true and correct to the best of my certifico que la información proveida de los ingresos es verdadera y correcto	•
I understand that the information will be verified to the extent possible; prosecution for providing false or fraudulent information. (Comprendo que la hasta donde sea posible y que puedo ser enjuiciado por haber proveido information).	and that I may be subject to a información será verificada
(Applicant Signature/Firma del Solicitante)	(Date/Fecha)



#### **Client Satisfaction Survey**

#### How Are We Doing?

income people live

Economic Action Committee of the Gulf Coast staff are committed to monitoring the services we provide as part of an on-going quality improvement process. We would appreciate your feedback on our performance. All submissions are confidential and will not affect benefits or services received.

1.	What (	County do you reside in	1?						
		Matagorda		Wharton					
2.	What was the purpose of your visit/call?								
		Utility Assistance		Food Assistance		Senior	Citizen Serv	ices	
		Case Management		Rental Assistance	e 🗆	School	Supplies fo	r my Childre	n
		Temporary Shelter		Legal Assistance		Educat	tion (College	Classes)	
		Job Supplies		Gas Card		Other:			_
3.	How d	id you learn about EAC	GC?						
		Someone told me		Internet Search		Newsp	aper		
		Utility Company		Radio		Board I	Representat	ive	
		211		Another Agency		Other:			_
4.	What	services have you ever	receive	ed from EACGC?					
		Utility Assistance		Food Assistance		Senior	Citizen Serv	ices	
		Case Management		Rental Assistance	e 🗆	School	Supplies fo	r my Childre	n
		Temporary Shelter		Legal Assistance		Educat	ion (College	Classes/Su	ipplies)
		Job Supplies		Gas Card		I have v	olunteered/	for EACGC	
		Other:			_				
5.	Please	e rate the following asp	ects of	your visit or conta	act with EA	CGC.			
					Strongly Agree	Agree	Neither Agree or Disagree	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
The office was easy to find, well-marked and convenient.									
I met with staff at or near the time of my appointment									
	I didn't have an appointment, but was served in a timely manner								
S	Staff were courteous, respectful, and friendly								
S	Staff was sensitive to my situation and needs								
Μ	My need or reason for my visit was/will be taken care of								
	EACGC <b>could not</b> meet my need(s), but I was referred to other provider(s)								
E	EACGC helps to improve the condition in which low-								

6.	6. If you answered <b>DISAGREE or STRONGLY DISAGREE</b> to any question above, please explain why:							
7.	Since you have participated or received EACGC services, are you and your family  More self-supporting Less self-supporting Somewhat self-supporting No change							
8.	Overall, how do you rate the quality of services EACGC provides?    Excellent							
	What level of confidence do you have in EACGC staff to deliver the services that you require?  Complete confidence A lot of confidence Some confidence No confidence No confidence Would you be willing to share your story with others by having it placed on our social media, website and/or annual report? We'd love for you to tell people how EACGC can help.							
	If yes, please fill out the contact information form below:							
N	ame:							
Α	ddress:							
Е	mail Address:							
P	hone Number:							

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# EAC

### **Energy Efficiency Tips**

#### This list is designed to assist you with tips on how to reduce you energy use and energy costs.

Change your HVAC filters at least once every three months and more often during the winter and summer.

Clean window unit filters regularly.

Set air-conditioner on 78 in summer and 68 in winter.

Use ceiling fans in the summer to help cool and during the winter to help draw down the heat that has risen to the ceiling.

Seal any air leaks and insulate when possible.

Put weather-stripping around all doors and windows as needed.

Use window coverings or blinds.

Ensure air intakes and vents are clear of items that could block air flow.

Replace old shower heads with newer low-flow models.

Lower your water heater temperature to 120 degrees.

Use natural lighting whenever possible.

Replace old incandescent light bulbs with CFL or LED bulbs.

Use table lamps, floor lamps or track lighting instead of ceiling lights to control and concentrate lighting.

Turn off lights when leaving a room.

Keep your refrigerator temperature set between 37-40 degrees and your freezer temperature at 5 degrees.

Inspect and clean your refrigerator seal regularly to ensure proper seal.

Clean your refrigerator coils monthly – you can gently remove dust build up with a broom or vacuum.

Limit how long and frequently you open the refrigerator.

Avoid opening oven while cooking.

Use dishwasher only when you have a full load.

Wash clothes in cold or warm water.

Use your dryer's moisture sensor if available to reduce unnecessary use.

Check your dryer vent regularly and clean your lint filter after every load.

Unplug items when not in use.

