

Tennessee Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is 100 percent federally funded through a grant from the Federal Department of Health and Human Services. LIHEAP provides funds to the states to help meet the utility costs of low-income eligible elderly and disabled adults. The program is administered through contracts to a network of 20 established non-profit and local government agencies experienced in providing energy assistance programs. Services are available in all 95 counties. Eligibility is based on established federal poverty guidelines. Activities consist of a special summer cooling program (\$325 max. payment) and regular and emergency heating assistance (\$250 max. payment). Eligible applicants can receive assistance once per year from two of the three programs. The assistance is in the form of a payment to the utility company or home energy provider.

Eligibility Requirements:

Household	Household	Household	Household
Size	Income	Size	Income
1	\$18,090	5	\$43,170
2	\$24,360	6	\$49,440
3	\$30,630	7	\$55,710
4	\$36,900	8	\$61,980

*For households with more than eight people, add \$6,270 per additional person. Always check with the appropriate managing agency to ensure the most accurate guidelines.

A person who participates or has family members who participate in certain other benefit programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or certain needs-tested Veterans benefits may be automatically eligible.

Administering Agency:

Tennessee Housing Development Agency

Link to partnering agency who administer applications: https://s3.amazonaws.com/thda.org/Documents/Business-Partners/Grant-Administrators/LIHEAP-Contacts-2.pdf

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