

What is Energy Assistance?

Energy Assistance Program (EAP) facts

- Renters & homeowners are eligible.
- Assets such as the home are not considered in determining eligibility.
- Grants range from \$200 to \$1,400, based on household size, income, and fuel cost.
- The average grant is about \$500.
- In addition to the initial grant, additional Crisis funds are available to:
 - - Help pay a past due bill or get an emergency fuel delivery.
 - - Help homeowners get their broken furnace repaired or replaced.

EAP changes made to help during COVID-19

- The application **deadline is extended to July 1**.
- The annual **Crisis maximum is increased to \$1,200** (up from \$600).
- EAP can **help households pay a past due bill**, even without a shut-off notice
- **Income eligibility is based on past one month** of income only.
- EAP still has **sufficient funds and expects more from the CARES Act**.

How to apply for EAP

- Households contact their local EAP service provider to apply for EAP.
- Households find their EAP provider:
 - - By calling **1-800-657-3710** & entering their zip code, or
 - - On this list of service providers by county at <https://mn.gov/commerce/consumers/consumer-assistance/energy-assistance/eap-provider.jsp>.
- Find general EAP information at <https://mn.gov/commerce/eap.jsp>.