

Do you need help paying your heating and electric bills?

Maryland's Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) provides grants to income-eligible households to make home energy costs more affordable. The program can also prevent utility cut-offs, restore lost energy services, and help households pay past-due electric bills.



Energy Assistance Program

What do I need to apply?

- Proof of identity for the applicant (driver's license, Maryland identification card, or employment identification)
- Copies of Social Security Cards for everyone in the household
- Most recent electric bill
- Most recent heating bill (if applicable)
- Proof of total gross income for everyone in the household for the last 30 days (most recent pay stubs or benefit letter for government checks: Social Security—Supplemental Security Income, Supplemental Security Disability Income, Veterans Benefit, Social Security, TCA, child support, or any others)
- Proof of address (current lease, mortgage statement, current driver's license, or water or phone bill)



How is eligibility determined?

Eligibility is determined by household income. OHEP offers several different programs. The Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) provides financial assistance with home heating bills. The Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP) provides financial assistance with electric bills. Eligible customers may receive help paying current electric bills, past due bills, and help with energy efficiency measures to reduce future electric bills.

To find the local home energy program office in your area, call 1-800-332-6347 | TTY (800) 735-2258, or visit us online at dhs.maryland.gov/energy.

How do I apply?

You may file an application online at <https://benefits.maryland.gov/home/#/>, by mail, fax, or other electronic means. Someone may drop an application off for you, or you may apply in person at either your local Department of Social Services, or your local Community Action Agency. A face-to-face interview may be requested.

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