

NORTHWESTERN ILLINOIS COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY  
PY22 LIHEAP/LIHWAP/WEATHERIZATION

**Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency is administrator of the Home Energy Assistance Program in Stephenson and Jo Daviess Counties. Funds are available to assist income-eligible households with their natural gas, propane, and electric heating bills, and emergency water bill assistance.**

The LIHEAP program began September 1, 2021 to assist income-eligible households with heating utilities.

**\* Applications for LIHEAP assistance will be taken until May 31, 2022. \***

**\* After May 31, 2022, no new applications for LIHEAP can be accepted. \***

**Applicants may apply for a DVP payment. The Direct Vendor Payment (DVP) provides a one-time benefit payment for income eligible households to gas or propane and electric utilities and for reconnection assistance until May 31, 2022.**

New enrollments for the PIPP program ended March 31, 2022 for the PY22 Program.  
The Emergency Furnace Program Assistance ended March 31, 2022 for the PY22 Program

**LIHWAP assistance with a one-time payment on their water/sewer bills is available for approved LIHEAP/PIPP applicants with one of the following conditions: water service disconnected or imminent disconnection, or past due water/sewer bill of \$250 or more.**

Please call the office at 815-232-3141 or 800-883-1111 between 8:00a.m. to 3:30p.m. to receive an application packet. Completed application packets and documents may be submitted by mail, email, drop box, or fax. Limited appointments for special needs may be made.

**INCOME GUIDELINES**

<u>Family Size</u>	<u>30 Day Income</u>	<u>Family Size</u>	<u>30 Day Income</u>	
1	\$2,147	6	\$5,930	
2	\$2,903	7	\$6,590	For more than 11 household
3	\$3,660	8	\$6,737	members, please add \$568 for each
4	\$4,417	9	\$6,883	additional person
5	\$5,173	10	\$7,029	
		11	\$7,285	

**\*\* To submit an application, you MUST submit ALL of the required documents. \*\***

- Proof of Social Security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for all household members. Individuals without an SSN or ITIN can still apply and NICAA will advise
- Proof of all gross income for all household members for 30 days prior and including the application date such as pay check stubs, SSA/SSI/SSD income, pension/retirement statements, unemployment reports, child support, TANF/AABD/Township GA assistance, self-employment reports and proof of zero income.
- Complete current heat and electric bills issued within the last 30 days
- Complete current water/sewer bill for emergency water bill assistance
- Copy of current lease if any utilities are included in the rent payment

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