Energy Assistance Program

COMMERCE DEPARTMENT

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 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 or tribe at <u>https://mn.gov/commerce/consumers/consumer-assistance/energy-assistance/eap-provider.jsp</u>.
- 29 local EAP service providers including Community Action Programs, counties, tribal governments and non-profits serve all areas of the state.
- Find general EAP information at <u>https://mn.gov/commerce/eap.jsp</u>.

Household Size	Annual Income	1 Month Max. Guidelines
1	\$27,047	\$2,253
2	\$35,370	\$2,947
3	\$43,692	\$3,641
4	\$52,014	\$4,334
5	\$60,336	\$5,028
6	\$68,658	\$5,721