

Are You Eligible For Winter Heating Assistance?

CONNECTICUT ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (CEAP)

Tolland Human Services is taking applications starting on **August 19, 2019** for the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program so that households will be preapproved when the program officially opens in **November**.

Energy Assistance - Winter Heating Assistance

Program Dates

Applications taken thru 4/30/20 (utility-heated with shut-off notice, thru 5/14/20)

- 11/13/19 First day for fuel authorization or deliveries.
- 3/12/20 Deadline for fuel authorizations
- 4/30/20 Last day that a household can apply to establish its eligibility for benefits unless the household is utility heated and has a shut off notice for its primary source of heat.
- 5/14/20 Last day that a utility heated household with a shut-off notice may apply

Eligibility for Energy Assistance is based on the **annual gross income, liquid assets** and the **size of the household**.

2019-2020 Gross Income Guidelines for homeowners, and renters (*additional criteria apply*).

Household Income Guidelines – 2019/2020						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Under \$36,171	Under \$47,300	Under \$58,430	Under \$69,559	Under \$80,688	Under \$91,818	Under \$93,905

On behalf of eligible households, the winter heating assistance pays for such heating sources as oil, natural gas, electricity, propane, kerosene, coal and wood. Homeowners and renters may apply. Households eligible for the winter heating program may also be eligible to receive weatherization assistance. This can help conserve energy and lower heating bills.

The Connecticut Energy Assistance Program and the Contingency Heating Assistance Program are administered by the Department of Social Services and coordinated by regional Community Action Agencies, in cooperation with municipal and other non-profit human service agencies. Tolland residents may contact any of the following for an appointment to apply for Energy assistance: seniors contact Rebecca Ellert, 860-870-3726; all other households contact Bridget Joy, Human Services Administrative Assistant, 860-871-3648, to schedule an appointment. Residents may also apply at the ACCESS Agency in Willimantic (860-450-7423). On the reverse side is a list of documents that may be required. If for any reason you cannot make a scheduled appointment, please contact the provider to reschedule. We are unable to process walk-in applications.

Apply Early for Maximum Benefits!

For more information about other federal & state programs and local initiatives:

Seniors, contact Rebecca Ellert, 860-870-3726

**All other households contact Bridget Joy, Human Services Administrative Assistant
@ 860-871-3648 for referral to the appropriate personnel.**

TOLLAND WINTER HEATING ASSISTANCE

You must provide the following information/documentation, as applicable to your household, on the day of your appointment (if you do not bring all documentation you will need to reschedule).

Required Family Member Information/Documentation:

- Social Security Number(s)
- Date of Birth

Required Income Information/Documentation:

- Proof of all household income from the **four (4) weeks prior** to your appointment
 - Paystubs with name and/or SSN **or** Statement on company letterhead from your employer stating your gross wages & date paid for the last four (4) weeks, signed by employer or payroll department
 - If self-employed bring most recent Federal tax return; income from previous six (6) months; itemized business expenses for previous six (6) months
 - Unemployment benefit history
 - Social Security, SSI, SSDI, Cash Assistance, Food Stamps, Rental Income (Monthly)
 - Pensions, VA, Bank Interest (CD, IRA)
 - Child Support, Alimony (Court Documents, Direct Deposit from Child Support Enforcement or other verification)

Required Asset Information/Documentation:

- All pages from your most recent bank statements showing for **all** household members, including children:
 - checking accounts, savings accounts, stocks/shares, bonds, certificates of deposit; individual retirement accounts (if account owner is at least 59 ½ years old) all with **name** and **account number**

Required Housing Information/Documentation:

- For Renters – Rent Receipt or Lease (with Landlord name, address & phone number)
 - Renter's Insurance (if applicable)
- For Home Owners – Mortgage Statement
 - Tax Bill & Homeowner's Insurance (if not included in your mortgage)
- Most recent Eversource bill

Other (if applicable):

- Value of all land, buildings or dwellings other than your home, owned by anyone in your household
- **2018 Federal Tax Return**

Appointment with: _____ **Phone:** _____

Date: _____ **Time:** _____

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