



HOME HEATING ASSISTANCE 2021-2022



The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally funded program that helps eligible households with heating costs during the winter months. Depending on your household income you may qualify if you own or rent your home, even if heat is included in your rent. Covered heating sources include oil, gas, electricity, propane, kerosene, wood and coal.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is based on household size and gross annual household income. Renters with heat included may still be eligible if rent exceeds 30% of gross annual household income.

2021/2022

Fuel Assistance Income Limits

Household Size	Gross Annual Household Income Up To
1	\$40,951
2	\$53,551
3	\$66,151
4	\$78,751

For households of 5 or more visit www.mass.gov for guidelines

HOW TO APPLY

To apply for Fuel Assistance, residents of all ages may contact the Carlisle Council on Aging at 978-371-2895 or Community Teamwork at 978-459-6161 to make an appointment. You may also apply online at www.commteam.org. The following documents are needed to complete your application:

- **Photo ID**
- **Current benefit statements (SSI, Pension)**
- **Social Security cards for all household members**
- **Proof of Income for past 30 days, including wages, Social Security, pension, annuities, and interest**
- **Current heating and electric bills**
- **Copy of Mortgage Statement, Real Estate Taxes, Homeowner's Insurance, or Lease**

BENEFIT INFORMATION

- The amount of your benefit is based on household size, gross annual household income, housing type and heating costs. If you are approved for the program you will receive a letter indicating your benefit amount.
- The Fuel Assistance program runs from November 1st to April 30th of each year. Payments are generally made directly to vendors for heating bills or oil deliveries occurring during this time frame.
- Households with heat included in rent will be reimbursed at the midpoint of the winter heating season.
- When you are approved for Fuel Assistance you are automatically eligible for a discount on your monthly National Grid or Eversource bill.

ENERGY CONSERVATION SERVICES

If you are approved for Fuel Assistance you may also be eligible for services to make your home more energy efficient. These services include free energy audits, appliance, lightbulb and thermostat replacement, insulation, weatherstripping, and other measures. You may also qualify for free repair or replacement of your primary heating system.

OTHER HEATING RESOURCES

The Carlisle Council on Aging has grant funds available to help residents of any age for whom winter heating costs present a financial burden. This includes those who do not qualify for LIHEAP as well as those who need assistance beyond what LIHEAP provides. Please contact the COA at 978-371-2895 for more information.