

# Heating Assistance is available to make ends easier to meet.

**(LIEAP)** This program is funded by the Federal Government and is administered through the Department of Health and Human Services. The awards are based on your previous 12 months' gross income, type of fuel used, and the size, type & location of your home. If your household receives benefits from Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) program, you may qualify automatically for weatherization or fuel assistance.

Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. encourages you to complete your application today for the federal energy assistance program so you can start receiving your benefits this heating season to cover fuel costs incurred from October 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017.

Starting on **October 1** you can download the application form from the **Montana.gov** website <http://dphhs.mt.gov/hcsd/energyassistance.aspx> or go to: [montana-dakota.com/customer-service/low-income-assistance-program/assistance-for-montana-customers](http://montana-dakota.com/customer-service/low-income-assistance-program/assistance-for-montana-customers).

Complete the form now and submit it to the District VII HRDC office or the Action for Eastern Montana office serving your community.

## **District VII HRDC**

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If you do not have access to the internet, contact District VII HRDC at 1-800-433-1411 or Action for Eastern Montana at 1-800-227-0703 for the application form. You may also contact Montana-Dakota at 1-800-638-3278.

## **Low Income Discount**

Montana-Dakota customers who are approved for the federal energy assistance program can also receive up to a 30% discount on their Montana-Dakota bill.

## **Furnace or Water Heater Repair/Replacement**

Montana-Dakota customers may also be eligible for assistance in repairing or replacing an unsafe furnace or water heater. Please contact District VII HRDC at 1-800-433-1411 or Action for Eastern Montana at 1-800-227-0703 to apply.

## **Energy Share Bill Assistance**

Energy Share is a private nonprofit organization with the goal of helping Montanans faced with energy emergencies meet their needs. Montana-Dakota customers who are experiencing difficulty keeping up with their utility bills due to an emergency or some situation that puts them behind may qualify for heating bill assistance through Energy Share. Please contact District VII HRDC at 1-800-433-1411 or Action for Eastern Montana at 1-800-227-0703 or the statewide Energy Share office at 1-888-779-7589.

