

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

## **Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)**

The purpose of the LIEAP is to help low and fixed income families pay their utility bills during the winter months. The priority families are the elderly (60+), those with disabilities and households with children under the age of 6. The program is funded by the Federal Government and administered through the Wyoming Department of Family Services (WYDFS). The awards are based on your household income, household size and the type of fuel used to heat your home.

Montana-Dakota encourages you to complete your application today for the federal energy assistance program so you can start receiving your benefits to pay home heating bills November through May. Applications for the LIEAP program are available October 1, 2018 and are accepted until February 28, 2019.

You can download the application form from the WYDFS web site at <http://dfsweb.wyo.gov/economic-assistance/lieap>. You may also request an application packet from your local DFS offices and Senior Centers in all counties.

## **Who should apply?**

- Households who buy their heating fuel from a fuel dealer or utility company, and households whose rent payments include the cost of heat, if they do not receive a rental subsidy.
- Households who need assistance with: non-repairable furnaces and fuel costs that are high due to houses that are older or in poor shape.
- Households who have difficulty paying fuel bills due to other rising costs and are in danger of losing their heating source.

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## **What Services are available?**

- Heating Assistance: LIEAP can pay for a portion of fuel used to heat the home you live in during the months your household is eligible between November through May during a particular heating season.
- Weatherization: The weatherization program helps low income people make their homes and apartments more energy efficient. Weatherization seals a home to keep warm air in and cold air out during the winter.
- Energy Intervention Assistance: If you are at risk for a heat loss emergency, assistance is available and handled on a case-by-case basis.

In order to determine the services you may qualify for, you must fill out the application form and submit it to:

**LIEAP Office**

**PO Box 827**

**Cheyenne, WY 82003**

**Toll Free Phone: 1-800-246-4221**

**FAX Number: 307-778-3943**

## **Energy Share Bill Assistance**

Energy Share of Wyoming is a private nonprofit organization established to help people in hardship circumstances with energy-related emergencies. It assists people with energy problems when no other resources are available to them and when these problems are caused by circumstances beyond their control. To apply please contact your local Salvation Army field representative, call toll-free 1-877-461-5719 or contact Montana-Dakota Utilities Co. at 1-800-638-3278. Applications can be made from December 1 to May 31.



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