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Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP)

HEAP hotline - 1-800-342-3009 (NY STATE) or Nassau County - 516-565-4327

- HEAP is a federal program to provide energy assistance to seniors and low income families. Eligibility is based on your gross income.
 - One person households earning less than \$1,963 per month are eligible
 - A family of four can earn up to \$3,776 per month and be eligible.
- HEAP Centers and applications are available to the public as of November 3, 2008
- **Non-Emergency heating and utility benefits (Regular HEAP)**
- Get an application online <http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/heap/application.asp>
- Contact Education and Assistance Corporation
175 Fulton Avenue , 4th Floor
Hempstead, New York 11550
Phone 516-565-4327
 - <http://www.eacinc.org/p-homeenergy.htm>
- Nassau County Senior Citizens Affairs
60 Charles Lindbergh Blvd , 2nd Floor North Entrance
Uniondale, NY 11553
Phone 516-227-7386
This office can also process applications for permanently disabled people
- Regular HEAP benefits are usually set at
 - \$800 for non utility heating fuel (oil, propane, or kerosene)
 - \$585 for utility heating fuel (natural gas, electricity, or wood)

HEATING AND UTILITY EMERGENCIES

Qualifying for Emergency HEAP Grants

- You meet the income requirements and regular HEAP requirements
- You have received Disconnection Notice (which must be presented) and/or have less than seven days of fuel or one quarter of a tank of fuel left
- Your heating system is unsafe or not in working order and you can't afford to pay for the repairs AND you meet income requirements

Information taken from the Long Island Power Authority website at <http://www.lipower.org/residential/financial/heap.html> and the NYS government office of temporary and disability assistance website <http://www.otda.state.ny.us/main/heap/application.asp>

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