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# News Release



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## Summer Crisis Program Starts July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 to September 30<sup>th</sup> 2021

The Ohio Development Services Agency and OIC of Clark County (HEAP) will help income-eligible Ohioans stay cool during the cold summer months. The Home Energy Assistance Summer Crisis Program provides eligible Ohioans assistance paying an electric bill or assistance paying for central air conditioning repairs. The program runs from July 1<sup>st</sup> 2021 until September 30<sup>th</sup> 2021.

To apply for the program, clients are required to schedule an appointment with OIC of Clark County (HEAP). Appointments can be scheduled by calling (937)342-3186.

Clients need to provide copies of the following documents for their phone appointment:

- Copies of their most recent energy bills;
- A list of all household members and proof of income for the last 30 days or 12 months for each member;
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members;
- Proof of disability (if applicable);
- Physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for a household member's health (if there isn't a household member over the age of 60). "Due to chronic illness, this client would benefit from continued electric service and/or air conditioning."
- A member of the household with a documented medical condition/COVID 19 diagnosis verified by a licensed medical professional who is qualified under Ohio law to write prescriptions (medical office letterhead or a completed and signed Development "Medical Eligibility Form" issued no more than one year prior to the date the client applies for the SCP)

Last year more than 922 families in Clark County were assisted through the Home Energy Assistance Summer Crisis Program.

Now in our 50th year as the Community Action Agency for Clark County, OIC strives to assist those families and individuals with energy and rental assistance needs.

The Summer Crisis Program assists low-income households with an older household member (60 years or older), that can provide physician documentation that cooling assistance is needed for a household member's health, have been diagnosed with COVID-19, have a disconnect notice, have been shut off, are trying to establish new service on their electric bill, or require air conditioning. Conditions can include such things as lung disease, Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease, or asthma.

For more information about the features of the Summer Crisis Program, contact OIC of Clark County(HEAP)Julie Vaughan at 937-323-6461 Fax: 937-324-4580 email: [help@oicofclarkco.org](mailto:help@oicofclarkco.org). To be connected to your local Energy Assistance provider call (800)282-0880 (hearing impaired clients may dial 711 for assistance), or visit [www.energyhelp.ohio.gov](http://www.energyhelp.ohio.gov).

**FOR APPOINTMENTS YOU MUST:**  
Call **937-342-3186** or go online @<https://app.capappointments.com>

**HEAP Income Eligibility (175% of Federal Poverty Guidelines)**

<b>Size of Household</b>	<b>Yearly Income</b>	<b>30-Day Income Limit</b>
1	\$22,540	\$1,852.60
2	\$30,485	\$2,505.62
3	\$38,430	\$3,158.63
4	\$46,375	\$3,811.64
5	\$54,320	\$4,464.66
6	\$62,265	\$5,117.67
7	\$70,210	\$5,770.68
8	\$78,155	\$6,423.70

Households with more than eight members should add \$7,945 to the yearly income or \$653.01 to the 30-day income for each additional member.