



Connecticut Energy Assistance Program – CEAP: 2021-2022

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The following information is based on the 2021-2022 Connecticut Energy Assistance Program.

Energy assistance through the Connecticut Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) helps low income households pay their primary heat source bills. Energy payments are determined by family size and gross income, and by whether a household is classified as “vulnerable”. Vulnerable households have a member who is under age 6, who is age 60+, or who is any age and disabled.

INCOME GUIDELINES:

Household with income at or below 60% of the State Median Income. A vulnerable household as defined above may qualify for a higher basic benefit.

BASIC BENEFIT (for all primary heat source households):

From \$410-940, depending on income, or \$475-1,015, if there is a vulnerable person as defined above in the household.

CRISIS BENEFIT (for deliverable fuel heated households):

Available for households that heat with a deliverable fuel (oil, wood and wood pellets, propane, kerosene, coal): Levels 1-4 (households up to 200% of federal poverty guideline), the benefit is \$1,010. Level 5 (households from 200% of the federal poverty guideline to 60% of the state median income), the benefit is \$500.

SAFETY NET: (for deliverable fuel heated households):

For Level 1-4 households that heat with a deliverable fuel (oil, wood and wood pellets, propane, kerosene, coal): \$700. Eligible households may be eligible to receive up to two Safety Net deliveries of \$700 each. Vulnerable households may be eligible to receive up to three Safety Net deliveries of \$700 each. Households must complete a risk assessment to determine if they qualify for Safety Net Assistance benefits.

RENTAL ASSISTANCE BENEFIT:

For households up to 60% of the state median income guidelines whose heat is included in their rent are eligible for Rental Assistance Benefits that range from: \$225-\$475, depending on income level. Some households with heat included in their rent and receive SNAP benefits may qualify for a payment of \$40, which is issued directly by DSS (This results in a recalculation of their SNAP benefits that might result in increased SNAP benefits).

ASSET LIMIT:

There is no Liquid Assets Test for the 2021-2022 CEAP program year

PRIORITIZED SERVICE:

Deliverable fuel heated households who are either without heating fuel, or within one week of being without heating fuel at the time of application, will be eligible to receive prioritized services, including prompt eligibility processing. Households applying under these circumstances will receive a fuel delivery authorization within 18 hours after determination of eligibility.

APPLICATION:



To start your application, you can:

- Contact your local Community Action Agency (CAA)
 - Visit ct.gov/heatinghelp to find the CAA serving your town.
- Or text CTWARM to 898211.
- Or call 2-1-1

Applicants may apply for energy assistance in person at their local CAA or intake site, or may download the energy application from the DSS website or request one from their local CAA and mail the completed application, with all required supporting documentation, to their local CAA. People who are homebound have the option of applying by mail. Receiving an application in the mail does NOT mean that the household has applied.

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08/02/21: First day that households can begin to apply for CEAP.

11/01/21: First day for authorization of fuel deliveries (oil, wood and wood pellets, propane, kerosene, coal).

05/02/22: Deadline for deliverable fuel authorizations or deliveries from Basic Benefits, Crisis Assistance, or Safety Net Assistance, **for clients already awarded CEAP benefits.**

05/31/22: Last day to apply for CEAP.

06/15/22: Last day for submission of deliverable fuel bills.

2021-2022 TIMETABLE FOR HOUSEHOLDS THAT HEAT WITH ELECTRICITY OR GAS:

05/31/22: Last day a household heated with gas or electricity can apply.

How to Apply:

To find your local CEAP application site, click [this link](#) and then enter your zip code or address in the second search box and hit Enter. Click More Details to view the hours of operation, address and phone number of the site.

For the Connecticut Department of Social Services webpage on the program, visit: www.ct.gov/staywarm

You can also Text CTWARM to 898211

What to Bring With You When You Apply: Checklist of Required Documentation:

English version – <http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/w1105checklist.pdf>

Spanish version – <http://www.ct.gov/dss/lib/dss/pdfs/w1105sspanishchecklist.pdf>

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