



OHEP

Energy Assistance



FY 2022 Income Eligibility Guidelines

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PLEASE NOTE NEW INCOME LIMITS

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Maximum Monthly Gross 30 Days Before Application Date</u>
1	\$ 1,878
2	\$ 2,540
3	\$ 3,203
4	\$ 3,865
5	\$ 4,527
6	\$ 5,189
Each Additional Person Add	\$ + 662

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1	\$ 2,147
2	\$ 2,903
3	\$ 3,660
4	\$ 4,417
5	\$ 5,173
6	\$ 5,930
Each Additional Person Add	\$ + 757

Program Components

	Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP)	Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP)	Arrearage Retirement Assistance (ARA)	Gas Arrearage Retirement Assistance (GARA)
Frequency of Grant	Annual (State fiscal year)	Annual (State fiscal year)	Every 5 years (certain exceptions may apply)	Every 5 years (certain exceptions may apply)
Grant Requirement	Account does not have to be in the Applicant's name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Account <u>must</u> be in the Applicant's name Requires Budget Billing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant <u>must</u> receive EUSP grant to be eligible Applicant must have a past-due electric balance of at least \$300 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant must receive MEAP grant to be eligible Applicant must have a past-due gas balance of at least \$300 *Account must be in Applicant's name
How Benefit is Applied	One-time credit to the fuel supplier	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pays a portion of customer's current electric bill Grant is applied in monthly credits to electric supplier 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assists customers with large past-due electric bills, up to \$2,000 Grant is applied as a one-time credit to electric supplier 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assists customers with large past-due gas bills, up to \$2,000 Grant is applied as a one-time credit to gas supplier



55-Day Hold

- Customers may receive a 55-day hold on their **electric & heating** accounts if they apply within 14 days of the issuance of a termination notice. Completed application with a termination notice needed to qualify for a hold.
- Customers may only receive **one** 55-day hold per program year
- Customers may not receive a 55-day hold on approved application
- The 55-day hold may be terminated if the customer is determined ineligible for OHEP or does not complete the application requirements

You can use one of the following ways to send us your documentations and the application



By Mail:

The Office of Home Energy Programs

1301 Piccard Dr, 4th Fl

Rockville, MD 20852

Speak to us by phone: 240-777-4050

(M-F 8:30-5)

Send by Fax: 240-777-4099

Apply online:

<https://dhs.maryland.gov/office-of-home-energy-programs/>

Send by Email:

OHEP@MONTGOMERYCOUNTYMD.GOV

We are open for walk ins:

Lobby hours M- F 8:30- 4:30

