



MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
OFFICE OF HOME ENERGY PROGRAMS
ENERGY ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

Step 1

Complete the enclosed application

Step 2

Include copies of the required documents listed below

Step 3

Return your application and documents to your local OHEP office (Location listed on back)

Photo ID for the Applicant (Please submit one of the following)

- Driver's license or other government issued identification card

Proof of Residence (Please submit one of the following)

- Unexpired driver's license with current address listed
- Current lease or housing letter (within last 12 months) or rent receipt from landlord with address listed
- Mortgage statement within last 30 days
- Current property tax bill or receipt

Proof of ALL Gross Income for All Household Members

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Wages (Employment)/ Tips/Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Disability Assistance Program (TDAP) | <input type="checkbox"/> Armed Forces Dependent Allowance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Self-Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Pensions | <input type="checkbox"/> Criminal Injuries Compensation Board Payments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rental Income | <input type="checkbox"/> Money/Income from Annuities, IRAs, or other Retirement Accounts | <input type="checkbox"/> Monetary Gifts and Loans, excluding student loans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Social Security | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Employee strike funds where there is no employee contribution |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SSI/SSDI | <input type="checkbox"/> Alimony or Spousal Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments received by home care providers for adult care |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dividends | <input type="checkbox"/> Workman's Compensation Benefits | <input type="checkbox"/> Railroad Retirement Benefits |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interest from Savings or Checking Accounts | <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment Insurance Benefits | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Interest or Dividends received from the redemption of bonds | <input type="checkbox"/> Veteran's Pension | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Estate or Trust Fund Income | <input type="checkbox"/> Mine Worker's Benefits | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Royalties | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) | | |

- If any adult household member (18 years or older) has not received any income in the last 30 days, a Declaration of Zero Income form must be signed. If no one in your household has received any income in the last 30 days, a Household Worksheet must be completed. Forms may be found at <http://www.dhr.state.md.us/energy> or by calling the number below.

Social Security Number Verification for all Household Members

- Social Security cards or other federal government-issued documents with name and SSN

Energy Bill Verification

- Most recent electric and heating (if applicable) bill

To check the status of your application online, visit myohepstatus.org.

Please allow 15 days from submission for the application to be displayed.

To check the status of your application over the phone or for other questions about the Office of Home Energy Programs, call 1-800-332-6347.

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Cumberland, MD 21502
(301)784-7000
ACDSS.OHEP@maryland.gov

Anne Arundel CountyAnnapolis Office

251 West Street
Annapolis, MD 21404-1951
(410)626-1900
energyprograms@aaccac.org

Glen Burnie Office

613 Global Way
Linthicum, MD 21090

Baltimore City

Please apply at your nearest location

Southeast Community Action Center

3411 Bank Street, 21224
(410) 545-6518

Eastern Community Action Center

1731 E. Chase Street, 21213
(410) 545-0136

Northern Community Action Center

5225 York Road, 21212
(410) 396-6084

Northwest Community Action Center

3939 Reisterstown Road, 21215
(443) 984-1384

Southern Community Action Center

606 Cherry Hill Road, 21225
(410) 545-0900

The email address for Baltimore City is:
OHEP@baltimorecity.gov

Baltimore County

6401 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21212
(410) 853-3385
ohep.mailrequest@maryland.gov

Calvert County

3720 Solomon's Island Road
Huntingtown, MD 20639
(410) 535-1010
OHEP@smtccac.org

Caroline County

300 Market Street
P.O.Box 400
Denton, MD 21629
(410) 819-4500
caroline.care@maryland.gov

Carroll County

10 Distillery Drive, Suite G-1
P.O. Box 489
Westminster, MD 21158
(410) 857-2999
OHEP@hspinc.org

Cecil County

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Elkton, MD 21921
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Dorchester County

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Frederick County

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Frederick, MD 21705
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Garrett County

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Oakland, MD 21550-1397
(301) 334-9431
OHEP@garrettcac.org

Harford County

1321 B Woodbridge Station Way
Edgewood, MD 21040
(410) 612-9909
MEAP@harfordcaa.org

Howard County

9820 Patuxent Woods Drive
Columbia, MD 21046
(410) 313-6440
clientassistance@cac-hc.org

Kent County

350 High Street
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 810-7600
Kent.ohep@maryland.gov

Montgomery County

1301 Piccard Drive
Rockville, MD 20850
(240) 777-4450
ohep@montgomerycountymd.gov

Prince George's County

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Landover, MD 20785
(301) 909-6300
pgcdss.energy@maryland.gov

Queen Anne's County

125 Comet Drive
Centreville, MD 21617
(410) 758-8000
QAC.OHEP@maryland.gov

Somerset County

12409 Loretta Road
Princess Anne, MD 21853
(410) 651-1805
Energywicomico@shoreup.org

St. Mary's County

21775 Great Mills Road,
Lexington Park, MD 20653
301-475-5574
OHEP@smtccac.org

Talbot County

126 Port Street
Easton, MD 21601-2631
(410) 763-6745
energy@nsctalbotmd.org

Washington County

117 Summit Avenue
Hagerstown, MD 21740
(301) 797-4161
WashingtonCountyOHEP@wccac.org

Wicomico County

500 Snow Hill Road
Salisbury, MD 21804
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Energywicomico@shoreup.org

Worcester County

6352 Worcester Highway
Newark, MD 21841
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PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION. Be sure to fill out all information clearly and completely.

In order to be eligible for electric grants, the bill must be in the applicant's name. You must provide documentation to prove information provided on this application. Documentation includes a copy of the applicant's photo ID, proof of where you live (this can be your utility bill), copies of Social Security Cards for everyone in your household, and proof of all gross (pre-tax) income for everyone in your household for the last 30 days. If your household received no income in the 30 days prior to this application, you must sign a Declaration of Zero Income and provide additional information.

Name

Primary Phone Number Home Cell Work Friend/Relative

Mailing Address

Secondary Phone Number Home Cell Work Friend/Relative

City, State, Zip

Street Address (If different from your mailing address or if you have moved)

Email Address

Social Security Number

1. LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

Do you live in a:

- Apartment or Multi-Family Double, Row or Townhouse Single Family Home Mobile Home

Are you a (Check one):

- Homeowner Renter Roomer/Boarder

*If you rent:

Is your rent reduced through help from HUD or Subsidized Housing (Section 8)? Yes* No

*If you answered yes to this question, do you receive Utility Allowance? Yes No

2. RENTERS ONLY

Is your heat included in the rent? Yes No

Landlord's Name/Apartment Complex: _____

Landlord's Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Landlord's Phone Number: (____) _____ Email Address: _____

3. CRISIS INFORMATION

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> My electricity has been disconnected | <input type="checkbox"/> I have received notice that my electricity and/or gas will be disconnected |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have no heating fuel and/or gas | <input type="checkbox"/> I have less than 3 days of heating fuel |
| <input type="checkbox"/> My heating system, cooling system, or water heater is broken. | <input type="checkbox"/> My tank has been removed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I have received an eviction notice (If you have an eviction notice, you may be referred to another program) | <input type="checkbox"/> The loss of electric/gas service will aggravate an existing serious illness or prevent the use of life support equipment. (Physician's Certification is required). |

4. HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION - Fill in all spaces below for ALL Household members, even if they are not related to you or helping financially.

Total # of household members is _____ Total # of household members 18 years and over is _____

Please use the following choices for "Race":

- 1. Black or African-American
- 2. White
- 3. Hispanic
- 4. Asian, Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
- 5. American Indian or Alaskan Native
- 6. Multi-Racial
- 7. Other

For each household member in the table below, list all sources of income received in the last 30 days. **Documentation of income for each household member 18 years or older must be provided with this application.** For examples of income, and which documents we can accept for your income type, refer to the application instructions included in this packet. If any household members who are 18 years or older have not received any income in the last 30 days, you will need a Declaration of Zero Income form.

FIRST & LAST NAME	SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	BIRTHDATE M/D/YR	RELATIONSHIP TO APPLICANT	SEX M/F	RACE CODE	AMERICAN CITIZEN (YES or NO)	DISABLED (YES or NO)	VETERAN (YES or NO)	SOURCES OF INCOME	GROSS 30 DAY AMOUNT
1.		/ /	APPLICANT							
2.		/ /								
3.		/ /								
4.		/ /								
5.		/ /								
6.		/ /								
7.		/ /								
8.		/ /								

Please list additional household members on a separate paper.

5. ELECTRIC GRANT - Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP)

- I want to apply for EUSP. I understand I will be enrolled in budget billing for 12 months to receive an EUSP benefit.
- I do not want to apply for EUSP and understand that I will not receive a benefit for my electric costs. (Proceed to section 6)

My electric company is: _____ Name on the account: _____

Account number: _____ Turn-off notice: YES NO My service is off: YES NO

6. HEATING GRANT - Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP)

- I want to apply for a MEAP grant. The heating bill does not need to be in my name to qualify.
- I do not want to apply for MEAP. (Proceed to section 8)

CHECK ONE BOX BELOW FOR THE MAIN HEATING SOURCE OF YOUR HOME:

Electricity Utility Gas Propane Oil Kerosene Coal Wood Pellets

My heat supplier or fuel company is: _____ Name on the account: _____

Account number: _____ Turn-off notice: YES NO My service is off: YES NO

7. PREVENT SHUT-OFF WITH REGULAR PAYMENT - Universal Service Protection Program (USPP)

USPP helps me prevent a shut-off as long as I continue to pay the minimum monthly payment as required by my utility supplier. All MEAP eligible customers may participate in USPP. Participation also requires 12 months of budget billing. Budget billing spreads your annual utility bills into even monthly payments. Failure to make consecutive payments may result in my removal from USPP. I understand that I do not have to participate in USPP to receive MEAP benefits and no money will be paid to my account through USPP.

- I want to enroll in USPP.

8. PAST-DUE ELECTRIC BILLS - Arrearage Retirement Assistance (ARA)

I have a past-due electric bill and would like to receive an Electric Arrearage grant to help pay the balance. I must have a past-due electric balance of at least \$300 to be considered for the grant, and I may receive up to \$2,000 for my current past-due bills. This grant is only available once every seven years, though certain waivers to this rule may apply. Electric Arrearage grants are in addition to electric benefits applicants may receive each year through the EUSP program. I must receive EUSP, enroll in budget billing, and the electric bill must be in my name to qualify for an electric arrearage grant.

- I want to apply and be screened for an arrearage grant and understand that, if I receive this benefit, I may not be eligible for another Electric Arrearage grant for five years.

9. PAST-DUE GAS BILLS - Gas Arrearage Retirement Assistance (GARA)

I have a past-due gas bill and would like to receive a Gas Arrearage grant to help pay the balance. I may receive up to \$2,000, once every seven years, though certain waivers to this rule may apply. Gas Arrearage grants are in addition to heating benefits applicants may receive each year through the MEAP program. I must have a past due gas balance of at least \$300 to be considered for the grant. I must receive MEAP to be eligible for a gas arrearage grant and the gas bill must be in my name.

- I want to apply and be screened for a Gas Arrearage grant and understand that, if I receive this benefit, I may not be eligible for another Gas Arrearage grant for five years.

10. ENERGY EFFICIENCY FOR YOUR HOME – DHCD Energy Efficiency Programs

I am interested in having energy efficiency improvements made to my home. This may help me reduce my overall utility consumption and help to reduce my utility bills while creating a healthier home environment. Please refer me to the energy efficiency programs provided by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). The energy efficiency improvements such as, furnace clean and tune, added insulation, and energy efficient light bulbs are offered at no additional cost to income eligible Marylanders. Landlord approval will be required for renters participating in this program. I understand I do not need to participate in DHCD's energy efficiency programs to receive OHEP benefits.

- YES. I want to receive energy efficiency improvements. I understand that my application information will be referred to DHCD AND I give my permission for DHCD to access my utility consumption data through my utility provider(s) in order to determine the energy efficiency improvements for which I may be eligible.

11. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & SIGNATURE – You or your representative must sign this application before submitting.

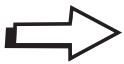
I swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that all the information I gave to the Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) in this Energy Assistance Application is true, correct, and complete to the best of my ability, belief, and knowledge. I am the representative of the individual household members identified in this application, and I submit this application on behalf of myself and the other individual household members. I authorize OHEP and/or the Office of Inspector General (OIG) to investigate and confirm the accuracy and completeness of all household income and other information provided with this application, including but not limited to the use of governmental and consumer reporting agency data regarding employment income.

I consent to allow my gas, electric, oil company, or any other energy provider to provide relevant account information to OHEP and for OHEP to communicate with those providers regarding this application. I allow OHEP to release and exchange relevant information with other agencies and my gas, electric, oil company, or other energy provider in order to make appropriate referrals to services that may assist me to lower my energy bill or help me to better afford my energy costs or help me with the completion of my application. I consent for my information to be entered into other secure databases for tracking of services, statistical information, and program evaluation.

I understand that by checking 'YES' to question #10, I understand that OHEP will refer all necessary information from my application to DHCD's energy efficiency programs. I also give my permission for DHCD to access my utility consumption data through my utility provider(s) in order to determine the energy efficiency improvements for which I may be eligible. I understand that if I decide to participate in any of the energy efficiency programs at a later date, this application is my authorization for the programs to access my utility consumption data.

An appeal can be filed to change the decision on this application or if help is not given in a reasonable time. The appeal must be filed within 30 days of the decision. The local agency will tell me how to file. Free legal advice may be available through the Legal Aid Bureau by calling toll-free 1-800-999-8904.

Maryland has a fraud law that will be vigorously enforced for intentional misrepresentations of information contained on this application. Punishment can occur for not telling the truth when applying for assistance to pay home energy costs. If a household member intentionally misrepresents information, that member may be disqualified from the program for a set amount of time.



Applicant's Signature

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY:

COUNTY	CENTER	DATE RECEIVED	# IN HH	SUB/HUD <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	TOTAL HH INCOME
ELECTRIC ARREARAGE			GAS ARREARAGE		
SCREENED FOR ARA <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	QUALIFIES & IS DOCUMENTED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DOES NOT QUALIFY BECAUSE: <input type="checkbox"/> RECEIVED IN 5 YRS <input type="checkbox"/> ARREARAGE < \$300	SCREENED FOR GARA <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	QUALIFIES & IS DOCUMENTED <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	DOES NOT QUALIFY BECAUSE: <input type="checkbox"/> RECEIVED IN 5 YRS <input type="checkbox"/> ARREARAGE < \$300
WORKER'S COMMENTS					
	MEAP	EUSP	ELECTRIC ARREARAGE	GAS ARREARAGE	POVERTY LEVEL
ANNUAL USAGE*					
BENEFIT AMOUNT					
WORKER SIGNATURE	DATE	CERTIFIER SIGNATURE	DATE		

*If no usage, indicate the type of fuel or whether the heat is sub-metered.