



COMMUNITY ACTION WAYNE/MEDINA

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2024 WINTER CRISIS PROGRAM

NOVEMBER 1, 2023 - MARCH 31,
2024

PIPP Enrollment and
PIPP Plus Recertification is available
all year round

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SCHEDULING FACE-TO-FACE INTERVIEW APPOINTMENTS:

* Scheduled In-Person Appointments: Call 330-461-9333 or online at <https://app.capappointments.com>

* Same Day Appointments available Monday thru Thursday based on availability

- Apply Online by visiting www.energyhelp.ohio.gov

WINTER CRISIS PROGRAM is a one-time benefit during the winter months to help with reconnecting or stopping disconnection of a utility service, transferring services, or obtaining new service. The program offers **up to \$175** towards households' utility services. Funding is also available for first PIPP enrollment, PIPP defaults and households with bulk fuel usage, Applicants wishing to apply for bulk fuel must have 25% or less fuel capacity and have an established account in their name at the time of application.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants applying for Winter Crisis must be at or below 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines, reside in Wayne or Medina County, provide required documents and schedule an appointment.

PIPP PLUS PROGRAM is a year-round payment plan that offers households' affordable monthly payments to help maintain services. Each time a household makes their PIPP Plus payment on time and in full, they will receive credits towards old utility debt and prevent new utility debt from occurring.

ELIGIBILITY: Applicants must be at or below 175 % of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.

2023-2024 INCOME GUIDELINES		
Size of Household*	<u>175 % PIPP, HEAP, WCP and SCP</u>	
	30-DAY INCOME LIMITS	12-MONTH INCOME LIMIT
1	\$2,097.12	\$25,515
2	\$2,836.43	\$34,510
3	\$3,575.75	\$43,505
4	\$4,315.07	\$52,500
5	\$5,054.38	\$61,495
6	\$5,793.70	\$70,490
7	\$6,533.01	\$79,485
8	\$7,272.32	\$88,480

*Households with more than eight members must add \$8,995 to yearly income or \$739.31 to the 30-day income for each additional member.

CAW/M reserves the right to request additional information for individuals applying for the HEAP benefit.

***** Please see reverse side of this flier for important documentation information *****

Documentation needed to apply for services:

(All documentation is required each time you apply for services)

- Agency Interview is required for crisis appointments
- Social Security Numbers for all household members
- Birth dates for all household members
- Disability documentation, if applicable
- Proof of U.S. Citizenship for all household members– Birth Certificate, Baptismal records (must show place and date), U.S. Passport, Voter registration card, Military Service Record, Verified Citizenship from OWF Program, Indian Census Record, Social Security Card

OR

- Proof of Legal Resident/Qualified Alien-Naturalization Papers/Certification of Citizenship, INS ID Card, Alien Registration Cards/Re-entry permits, Permanent Visa, INS Form
- Most recent utility bills and/or account numbers
- Household income documentation for 30 days or 12 months prior to the application date. **Self-employment and seasonal households must provide 12 months of documentation including most recent filed IRS 1040 with all schedules.**
- **Reporting Zero income:** Must provide written statement from income source with contact info (name, address, phone and date) detailing how your bills are paid (rent, food, utility etc.) for past 30 days. If applicable, must provide current Subsidized housing Contract Cover Letter/ Annual Lease Addendum, Rental Lease and Food Stamp printout. Please know that further documentation maybe requested, such as “**Wage and Income Transcript** for all household members over 18 years of age.
- Please know that further documentation may be requested such as (IRS Transcript) and others.

Examples of Accepted Income

Please note: This is **only an example** of typical income sources and **is not** inclusive of all income documentation that may be required. If you have any questions about your income documentation, ask to speak to a HEAP staff member **before you apply** for services.

Employment Wages: Last (2) check stubs for monthly wages. Last (3) check stubs for bi-weekly wages . Last (5) check stubs for weekly wages or Employment Verification from employer showing GROSS income for the last 30 days.

Utility Allowances: Subsidized Housing HAP Contract/Annual Lease Addendum

Social Security, SSI & SSDI: Current Award Letter, copy of check or bank statement

Pensions, VA, Alimony: Current Award Letter, copy of check or bank statement

Unemployment, Employment Disability, Worker’s Compensation: Last (2) stubs if paid monthly. Last (3) stubs if paid bi-weekly. Last (5)stubs if paid weekly or Award Letter showing benefit amount and time period.

Self-employment- Self-employment form for the past 12 months and complete prior year IRS 1040 including all schedules that were submit to the IRS.

Seasonal Worker: past 12 month’s income from the date of the application.

All documentation is needed for assistance. Other qualifications may apply.