
ATTENTION OF:
All Louisiana Low Income Home Energy
Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Providers

NOTICE: LHP-2023-04

ISSUED: September 27, 2023

This notice remains in effect until amended,
superseded, or rescinded

SUBJECT: Amendment to Notices LHP-2022-02 and LHP-2023-01

On November 10, 2022, LHC issued Notice: LHP-2022-02 – Louisiana LIHEAP Continuing Appropriations Act (CAA) 2023 Supplemental Funding. This notice provided instructions on how to qualify applicants and disburse the Continuing Appropriations Act (CAA) 2023 Supplemental funds.

On August 1, 2023, LHC issued Notice: LHP-2023-01 – Louisiana LIHEAP Disaster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023, Funding Guidelines. This notice provided instructions on how to qualify applicants and disburse the FY23 Disaster Supplemental funds.

Subgrantees must expend all Supplemental funds by **December 31, 2023** to avoid any risk of loss of funds.

Some parishes have currently expended all Heating, Cooling, and Crisis Assistance funds; however, Supplemental funds remain. This Notice hereby amends Notices LHP-2022-02 and LHP-2023-01 in regards to Benefit Determination. All other requirements remain in effect.

Benefit Determination

Effective November 15, 2022, the FY2023 LIHEAP program began. Clients are eligible for one benefit from each regular allocation (Heating, Cooling, Crisis) as described in the Louisiana LIHEAP Service Delivery Guide (effective February 1, 2022) and the FY2023 Louisiana LIHEAP Model Plan.

In addition to the FY2023 regular benefits, each household will receive one **\$200 supplemental benefit** paired with one qualifying application until all CAA 2023 Supplemental funds are expended. No additional appointment or application will be necessary.

In addition to the FY2023 regular benefits, each household will receive one **\$200 supplemental benefit** paired with one qualifying application until all FY23 Disaster Supplemental funds are expended. No additional appointment or application will be necessary.

In the event that a parish has exhausted all Heating, Cooling, Crisis Client Assistance funds, then Subgrantees may continue to qualify applicants for both CAA 2023 Supplemental funds and FY23 Disaster Supplemental funds utilizing a new application for new clients until all funds are expended.

While the regular LIHEAP allocations have a prescribed utility vendor that must be paid, for the purpose of the Supplemental funds, clients must be given the opportunity to determine which utility vendor to apply the supplemental benefit. Clients may choose their heating vendor or cooling vendor or both. Subgrantees should strongly encourage clients to apply the supplemental benefit to any utility in arrearages.

If you have any questions regarding this notice, please contact the LHC Energy Assistance Department at E4@lhc.la.gov or Lauren Holmes at lhartley@lhc.la.gov.

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