

MICHIGAN ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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IMPORTANT: Home Heating and Weatherization Assistance; Please Share with Community

Dear UP Organization,

The Superior Watershed Partnership (SWP) is pleased to announce that we have received a Michigan Energy Assistance Program (MEAP) award for an eighth year. Through this program the SWP Climate & Energy Office, along with participating SVdP conferences, Community Action Agencies, and Tribes in the Upper Peninsula will assist low-income households at their local Neighbors in Need offices by distributing and accepting applications for eligible clients. MEAP funds are intended to assist with overdue energy bills via direct payments – including electricity, natural gas, fire wood, fuel oil and propane - while providing services to help increase home energy efficiency. Up to \$2000 in MEAP funds are available to each households that falls at or below the 150% Federal Poverty Level. For example, a family of four with an annual income level at or below \$3031.00 per month may qualify. The table below show total maximum yearly income by household size to qualify for SER, which can be broken down to the monthly allowable amount simply by dividing by 12.

2021 FEDERAL POVERTY LEVELS	
Size of Household	150%
1	\$19,140
2	\$25,860
3	\$32,580
4	\$39,300
5	\$46,020
6	\$52,740
7	\$59,460
8	\$66,180

In addition to energy bill assistance, qualifying households can also receive a free energy kit and information on other state and federal energy conservation programs.

Enclosed you will find a program flier to post (please make copies if needed) and a list of all of the participating partner locations. It is our hope that you will share this important program with your members. Please don't hesitate to contact the SWP office if you have any questions.

The locations and contact information for all UP SVdP locations and other program information are available on the SWP website at: www.superiorwatersheds.org/energy-conservation

Best wishes,



Carl Lindquist
Executive Director

Michigan Energy Assistance Program

Superior Watershed Partnership (SWPMEAP)

The MEAP is funded by a low-income energy assistance funding factor approved by the Michigan Public Service Commission and with LIHEAP Assurance 16 funds provided by the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services.

- Help with MI Bridges Application
- Energy assistance for Heat & Electric
- Affordable Payment Plans
- Needs assessment & referrals
- Energy Conservation & Money Wise Workshop
- Free \$50 energy conservation kit
- Free Department of Energy Home Energy Score for income-eligible households.
- Up to 100 income-eligible households receive weatherization services based off their Home Energy Score Report (up to \$500 in supplies)
- Up to 5 income-qualified households receive free residential solar array roof or ground mount arrays.



QUALIFY FOR FREE WEATHERIZATION AND RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ARRAY WITH THE ECC

1. CONNECT WITH THE SUPERIOR WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP.
2. GET STATE EMERGENCY RELIEF (SER) APPROVED.
3. SCHEDULE A HOME ENERGY SCORE WITH THE SWP ENERGY CONSERVATION CORPS.
4. SOLAR ASSESSMENT WILL BE DONE DURING THE SCORE.
5. RECEIVE THE HOME ENERGY SCORE REPORT.
6. RECEIVE UTILITY REFERRALS AND/OR WEATHERIZATION WITH THE SWP (UP TO \$500 IN SUPPLIES).
7. UP TO 5 HOUSEHOLDS WILL BE SELECTED TO RECEIVE A FREE RESIDENTIAL SOLAR ARRAY.

For the 2021 Grant term, the SWP will select up to 5 Keweenaw Bay Indian Community tribal members or descendent households in Baraga, Houghton and Marquette Counties to receive a free residential solar array to be installed by September 30th 2021!



**NEED HELP WITH
YOUR HEAT &
ELECTRIC BILLS?
WE CAN HELP!
CALL US AT
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