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**Need Help Paying Your Heating & Energy Bills?
Energy Assistance Applications Are Now Available**

St. Louis Park, Minn., Oct. 1, 2018- Community Action Partnership of Hennepin County (CAP-HC) is now accepting applications for its Energy Assistance Program (EAP). EAP is a federally funded program that provides financial assistance to low-income households to maintain electric and heat services during the winter heating months. Assistance is available to all eligible Hennepin County residents, including the City of Minneapolis.

CAP-HC staff will be available at the following Hennepin County locations to accept applications and answer client questions:

<p>CAP-HC Office 8800 Highway 7, Suite 401 St. Louis Park, MN 55426 Hours: M,W, F 8:00 AM- 4:30 PM Tue, TH, 8:00 AM- 7:00 PM</p>	<p>Northwest Family Service Center 7051 Brooklyn Blvd. Brooklyn Center, MN 55429 Hours: M,W,F 9:00 AM – 3:00PM or by appointment</p>	<p>VEAP Community Service Center 9600 Aldrich Ave S. Bloomington, MN 55420 Hours: Thurs 9:00 AM– 5:00 PM</p>
<p>Minnesota Council of Churches 2100 Plymouth Ave N., #112, Minneapolis, MN 55411 Hours: Tue, W, F 8:00AM – 4:30PM M, Th 8:00AM - 7:00PM</p>	<p>Hennepin County 2215 E Lake St Minneapolis, MN 55407 Hours: Thurs. 9:00AM- 4:00PM</p>	

During the 2018-2019 heating program season, CAP-HC will also have staff available at three conveniently located Minneapolis community partner locations to ensure that all Minneapolis residents can easily access this vital program.

<p>Center For Changing Lives Lutheran Social Services 2400 Park Avenue S. Minneapolis, MN 55404 Hours: M-F 8:00 AM- 4:30 PM</p>	<p>Minneapolis Urban League 2100 Plymouth Ave N., #112 Minneapolis, MN 55411 Hours: M – F 8:30 AM – 5:00 PM</p>	<p>Sabathani Community Center 310 E 38th St., #211 Minneapolis, MN 55409 Hours: M – F 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM</p>
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Important notes regarding CAP-HC's Energy Assistance Program:

- Energy Assistance applications are available now through May 31st, 2019.
- Both renters and homeowners can apply.
- It is a grant, not a loan. Benefit recipients do not have to pay the money back.
- The grant is intended to cover a portion of the household's energy and heating bill. It is important that those who receive energy assistance continue to make payments and/or request a reasonable payment plan with their energy provider.
- The grant is paid directly to the electric and heat provider.
- Homeowners may be eligible for emergency furnace repair or replacement.
- Applicants are encouraged to apply before they face an emergency.
- Applications are processed on a first-come, first-served basis.

Who is eligible?

Eligibility for this program is based upon [income guidelines](#) corresponding to household size.

How to apply?

Download the 2018-2019 EAP from the link below or request an application by calling CAP-HC at 952-930-3541.

[2018 – 2019 Energy Assistance Application](#)

To contact the Energy Assistance Program:

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Fax: 952-697-1313

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Web: www.caphennepin.org

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