

**HEAP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE**

The Ohio Development Services Agency wants to remind Ohioans that assistance is available to help with their home energy bills. The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) helps Ohioans at or below 175 percent of the federal poverty guidelines pay their heating bills.

Applied directly to the customer's utility or bulk fuel bill, the benefit can help manage heating costs. Ohioans can visit [www.energyhelp.ohio.gov](http://www.energyhelp.ohio.gov) to apply online, download a copy of the application or find contact information for a local Energy Assistance Provider (EAP). When applying, individuals need to have copies of the following documents:

- Most recent utility bills.
- A list of all household members (including birth dates and Social Security numbers).
- Proof of income for the past 30 days for all household members (12 months for certain income types).
- Proof of U.S. citizenship or legal residency for all household members.
- Benefits are applied to an individual's energy bill after January 1st. Applications for the HEAP program must be received by May 31, 2021.

For more information call the Center at 740-474-8831.