

2006 LIHEAP/DOE

The federally funded Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) helps low-income households meet their immediate home heating and cooling needs. LIHEAP partners with the U.S. Department of Energy Weatherization Assistance Program (DOE WAP) in providing weatherization services to reduce the energy costs of eligible low-income households.

2006 LIHEAP/DOE Grant (<i>LIHEAP 2-year contract: 1/1/06-12/31/07</i>)	\$159,117,773
Low-Income Households in CA*	3,072,625
CA Households Served in 2006 (<i>LIHEAP: 1/1/06-3/30/07</i>)	251,326
Percentage of CA Low-Income Households Served	8%

LIHEAP - Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) provides a direct payment to a low-income client's utility bill to help offset the cost of heating/cooling their home.

	CA Households Served	Average Payment	Average Energy Cost Reduction
Gas/Electric	147,274	\$275	26%
Wood/Propane/Oil	5,400	\$346	32%

LIHEAP - Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) provides assistance to low-income households that are in a crisis situation; such as those having received a 24- or 48-hour disconnect notice, or service termination by their utility company, or an energy-related crisis or life-threatening emergency exists within the applicant's household.

	CA Shut-Off/Crisis Avoided	Average Payment	Average Energy Cost Reduction
Gas/Electric	59,878	\$394	20%
Wood/Propane/Oil	5,398	\$443	23%
Heating/Cooling Repair	9,195	\$1,214	N/A
Heating/Cooling Replacement	868	\$885	N/A

Weatherization Services provide weather-stripping, insulation, caulking, water heater blankets, refrigerator replacement, heating/cooling system repairs, and compact fluorescent lamps to make dwellings more energy efficient, thereby reducing energy usage/costs, while safeguarding the health and safety of the household.

CA Households Served	Average Service Cost	Average Savings	Average Energy Cost Reduction
LIHEAP – 19,087	\$1,382	\$300 Annually	28% Annually
DOE – 4,226	\$1,271		

* 2000 U.S. Census - 60% of State Median Income