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Online application for CARES Act LIHEAP Now Available

Window Rock, Ariz - The Navajo Family Assistance Services (NFAS) office, under the Navajo Nation Division of Social Services (DSS), administers the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), a federally funded assistance program for eligible households in managing expenses with home energy bills, energy crises, weatherization, and energy-related minor home repairs.

NFAS announced that their automated online application for the *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (Public Law 116-136)* LIHEAP application is open. "Eligible, enrolled members of the Navajo Tribe residing anywhere in New Mexico, Arizona, and Utah, who suffered negative impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic and did not previously receive state CARES Act LIHEAP funds, may apply at DSS' website," stated Roselyn Begay, Delegated NFAS Manager.

A fillable, printable PDF file of the application is also available on the website and can be downloaded and printed from the homepage of the DSS website, www.nndss.navajo-nsn.gov.

Navajo Division of Social Services' offices will be available to provide applications at all DSS locations throughout the Navajo Nation, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. (MDT). Call (928) 871-6851 to find your nearest location.

Complete, signed applications with copies of required documentation may be submitted no later than end of business (5 p.m. MDT) on September 9, 2021, via postal mail, in-person, by email, or online as follows:

By postal mail:

Division of Social Services
RE: NFAS - CARES Act LIHEAP
P.O. Box 4590
Window Rock, Arizona 86515

By email:

sophina.yazzie@navajo-nsn.gov

Online Application Portal:

DSS website, www.nndss.navajo-nsn.gov,
click on the Application Portal button.

In-person:

Delivered to any DSS location.
Call (928) 871-6851 for nearest location.

Applicants should be aware, all required documents must have matching names on the Birth Certificate, Certificate of Indian Blood, Social Security Card, and Identification Card. If the required documents are not submitted, the application will be held until documentation is provided.

Information: DSS Office of the Executive Director, (928) 871-6851 or ndss.info@navajo-nsn.gov.

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The Navajo Division of Social Services (NDSS) is under the Executive Branch of the Navajo Nation's three-branch government. Under the leadership of the NDSS Executive Director, NDSS programs and Departments provide social services and human services, consistent with professional social work ethics and values, and human services in accordance with Navajo cultural values to help reduce and alleviate hardship.

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