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“LIHEAP Applications Available”

Window Rock, AZ – 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.

The NFAS program would like to announce the Fiscal Year 2022 LIHEAP applications are now available.

Eligible Navajo households on the Navajo Nation, and on designated near reservation communities, may apply for a one-time payment. Amount of LIHEAP funds provided are based upon the household size. The availability of funds will determine how long the LIHEAP applications will be accepted.

For eligibility, an applicant must meet Financial Eligibility Criteria which includes monthly gross income not exceeding 60% of State Median Income for a household. Households above the income median with household members receiving benefits from Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Social Security Benefits (SSB) or Supplemental Security Income (SSI) will be deemed categorically eligible. However, applicants must still meet the Financial Eligibility Criteria to receive assistance.

The following documents are required:

- Earned income statements for household members.
- Certificate(s) of Indian Blood (CIB) or Tribal Identification Card(s) of the household members.
- Social security card(s) of the household members.
- A government-issued identification card (e.g., driver’s license, state identification card, tribal identification card, or passport) will be required of the applicant only.
- Proof of residency.
- Receipts for previous LIHEAP award.
- TANF/SNAP/SSI/SSB current award letters with approval period.

If you or someone you know needs energy assistance, complete an application for assistance to determine eligibility. To download the application visit, www.nndss.navajo-nsn.gov. Call your local NFAS field office to have an application emailed or faxed to you.

For more information, contact your nearest NFAS Field Office: Chinle, AZ, (928) 674-2039; Dilkon, AZ, (928) 657-8171; Window Rock, AZ, (928) 871-4664; Gallup, NM, (505) 726-2699; Shiprock, NM, (505) 368-1177.

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