



1. What is the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)?

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally funded program that helps low income New Mexicans pay for home heating and cooling costs one time each program year.

2. Funding

LIHEAP is funded from a grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

► New Mexico Grantees

- New Mexico Human Services Department (HSD)
- Five Sandoval, Laguna, Jemez, Jicarilla, Navajo, Nambe and Zuni Tribes/Pueblos

► Funding Requirements

- Mandatory Participant Application Period through March 15th
- 150% Maximum Eligibility Poverty Level or State Median Income Option - 60%
- 110% Minimum Poverty Level
- 10% Administrative Cost Limit
- 10% Carry Forward Limit
- FFY 2011-2012 REACH Grant award of \$385,000

► Options

- Weatherization funding up to 15%

► HSD Historical Funding

Year	Base Grant	State Funds	Emergency Contingency Funds	Leveraging Funds	Total Funding	Funding to MFA for Weatherization	
2012	\$11,786,556 (as of 12/2011)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,786,556 (as of 12/2011)	Maximum funding \$1,928,905 (depending on amount of federal funding)	No more than 15% of total federal grant to State
2011	\$20,573,372	\$0	\$1,007,223	\$0	\$21,580,595	\$771,562	4%
2010	\$20,574,983	\$0	\$2,194,207	\$18,397	\$22,787,587	\$3,343,124	15%
2009	\$22,918,844	\$1,900,000	\$2,346,755	\$92,852	\$27,165,599	\$3,437,826	15%
2008	\$9,535,262	\$2,000,000	\$1,175,835	Not Authorized	\$12,714,049	\$1,920,056	15% Fed/25% State
2007	\$9,358,167	\$6,000,000	\$508,870	\$553,832	\$16,420,869	\$1,403,725	15%
2006	\$9,392,231	\$21,260,000	\$523,567	\$15,881	\$31,191,679	\$900,000	9%
2005	\$8,934,013	\$0	\$982,691	\$9,714	\$9,926,418	\$1,487,500	15%
2004	\$8,474,722	\$0	\$191,282	\$319	\$8,666,323	\$1,200,000	14%
2003	\$8,469,606	\$0	\$583,707	\$176	\$9,053,489	\$1,050,000	12%
2002	\$8,043,979	\$0	\$2,245,669	\$0	\$10,289,648	\$0	0%
2001	\$6,600,853	\$2,000,000	\$2,380,284	\$0	\$10,981,137	\$0	0%



► **FFY 2011 Tribal Federal Funding % Share**

	Federal # Households	Fed % Share of NM Funds	FFY 11 Base Grant	FFY 11 Emergency Funds	FFY 11 Federal Funds Total
Five Sandoval	262	0.1690%	\$37,384	\$1,850	\$39,234
Jicarilla	261	0.1684%	\$37,242	\$1,843	\$39,085
Navajo Nation	9,939	6.4127%	\$1,418,174	\$70,177	\$1,488,351
Jemez	200	0.1290%	\$28,538	\$1,412	\$29,950
Laguna	520	0.3355%	\$74,198	\$3,672	\$77,870
Nambe	205	0.1323%	\$29,251	\$1,447	\$30,698
Zuni	952	0.6142%	\$135,839	\$6,722	\$142,561
Totals	12,339	7.9612%	\$1,760,626	\$87,123	\$ 1,847,749

3. FFY 2012 Program Elements

► **Eligibility**

- Heating or Cooling Expense
- 150% Federal Poverty Guidelines
- Citizenship or Qualified Immigrant
- Identification
- Social Security Number

Income Eligibility - 150% of FPG			
Household Size	Monthly		Annual
1	\$	1,362	\$ 16,335
2	\$	1,839	\$ 22,065
3	\$	2,317	\$ 27,795
4	\$	2,794	\$ 33,525
5	\$	3,272	\$ 39,255
6	\$	3,749	\$ 44,985
7	\$	4,227	\$ 50,715
8	\$	4,704	\$ 56,445
Each +	\$	478	\$ 5,730



► **Benefit Level – FFY 2012**

- \$16 Point Value
- 2 - 14 possible points
- 7.2 average points per household
- Average Benefit \$116
- Propane fuel type - 2 points additional

B. Energy Cost (utility cost/income)
3 Points – 16% or higher
2 Points – 11% to 15%
1 Point – 6% to 10%
0 Points – Up to 5%

A. Vulnerable Household Member
2 Points for each Household Member Type
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Age 5 or Younger ○ Age 60 or Older ○ Disabled

C. Income				
HH Size	3 Points		2 Points	
1	\$	908	\$	1,362
2	\$	1,226	\$	1,839
3	\$	1,545	\$	2,317
4	\$	1,863	\$	2,794
5	\$	2,181	\$	3,272
6	\$	2,500	\$	3,749
7	\$	2,818	\$	4,227
8	\$	3,136	\$	4,704
Each +	\$	319	\$	478

► **Benefit Delivery**

- Vendor Payment – Over 100 vendors statewide.
- Direct Participant Payment – When vendors don't participate in LIHEAP or utilities are included in rent or households cut their own firewood.

4. LIHEAP Households Served and Average Benefit Amounts

	Served	Point Value	Average Benefit
2012 (through 1/4/12)	31,779	\$16	\$123
2011	74,592	\$25	\$181
2010	80,013	\$25	\$194
2009	69,477	\$40	\$298
2008	65,960	\$19	\$135
2007	62,269	\$19	\$127
2006	71,794	\$65 (\$25 in 07/06)	\$417

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