



Energy Assistance Programs

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Flathead County: **WE'VE MOVED! Our new address is:**
(Main Office*) **1820 US Highway 93 S, Kalispell, MT 59901**
PO Box 88, Kalispell, MT 59903
406-758-5433 or 1-800-344-5979, Fax 406-206-0199

Lake County: 110 Main Street, Suite M-1, Polson, MT 59860
406-883-3470, Fax 406-883-3481

Lincoln County: 933 Farm To Market Rd, Suite B, Libby, MT 59923
406-293-2712, Fax 406-293-2979

*CAPNM serves Flathead, Lake, Lincoln and Sanders Counties

LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) – Helps by paying a portion of a household's main/primary heating costs during the "heating season" which is usually October 1 – April 30. Applications may be picked up at any of our offices, mailed, e-mailed or printed out from CAPNM's website October 1 - April 30. A "check list" of required items is included on the application and on our website.

Weatherization Assistance Program – LIHEAP approved households are prioritized based upon homes with high heating costs and if household members are elderly, disabled or children under 18. Priority lists are updated twice a year; however, a household must continue to be approved for LIHEAP each heating season to remain on the list. Upon reaching the top, the Weatherization Department contacts the household to set up an appointment to conduct an energy audit. An energy auditor will evaluate your home's energy efficiency and make recommendations of the measures that could be done to the home to provide the biggest energy savings. Based upon those recommendations, a combination of weatherization measures such as wall, attic, and floor insulation may be installed, doors and windows may be repaired. Call our Weatherization Department directly at 406-758-5402 for more information.

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2024/25 LIHEAP Heating Season

Number of Household Members	<u>Income Limit</u> 1 Month Prior to Application Submitted (Averaged by 12)	<u>Income Limit</u> 12 Month Average (using 1 Month Prior to Application Submitted)	<u>Resource Limit</u> (excludes home, vehicles & some retirement accounts)
1	\$2,675	\$32,102	\$13,675
2	\$3,498	\$41,979	\$20,920
3	\$4,321	\$51,857	\$22,315
4	\$5,144	\$61,735	\$23,710
5	\$5,967	\$71,612	\$25,105
6	\$6,790	\$81,490	\$26,500

Application Submitted in the month of:	Provide <u>income</u> verification for the month of:	Application Submitted in the month of:	Provide <u>income</u> verification for the month of:
Sept 2024	Aug 2024	Jan 2025	Dec 2024
Oct 2024	Sept 2024	Feb 2025	Jan 2025
Nov 2024	Oct 2024	March 2025	Feb 2025
Dec 2024	Nov 2024	April 2025	March 2025

Emergency Heating System Repair and/or Replacement – If you own your home and the primary heating system is not working or poses a health and/or safety threat, CAPNM may be able to help. You'll need to be approved for the current LIHEAP heating season. If you rent, your landlord is responsible for your heating system.

Do-It-Yourself (DIY) Conservation Materials – LIHEAP approved households may receive materials (plastic window kits, light bulbs, low flow showerhead, etc.) they can install in their home. To receive DIY supplies, the household must be approved for the current LIHEAP heating season and request the items from CAPNM.

Energy Share of Montana – Helps Montana residents faced with an energy crisis meet their need and move toward self-reliance. Eligibility for Energy Share is not determined solely on income but also on the extenuating circumstances a household is facing. Energy Share is primarily funded by State-mandated Universal System Benefits Program (USBP) charges, donations from private individuals and corporations, and repayments by previous recipients. Applications are available year around and may be picked up at any CAPNM office, mailed or e-mailed.



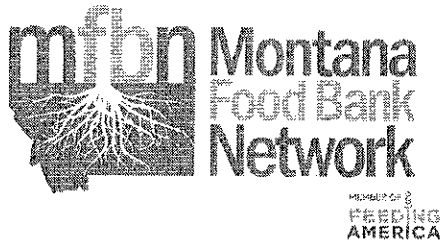
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Information on how you can improve the comfort level of your home, conserve energy and lower your heating/electricity costs are available upon request.



Dear Partners,

The new federal Summer EBT program (also known as SUN Bucks) provides families with \$120 per eligible child for groceries. 2024 is the first year this program exists, so we are asking for your help in spreading the word to families!

Your organization is crucial in communicating that if families receive Summer EBT in the mail in fall 2024, they *can and should* spend benefits before they expire. Benefits can be used at any store that accepts SNAP. If households do not receive benefits this year, families can fill out the application for Summer EBT 2025.

Enclosed you will find a **Summer EBT flyer** providing information directly to families: 1. Who will *most likely* get benefits; 2. how to use benefits; 3. S-EBT will not affect other benefits. **Please copy this flyer and post at multiple locations**, and/or distribute to community members. Important to note:

- One card will be issued per household. *Ex: if a household has 4 eligible children, then \$480 will be loaded on one S-EBT debit card and sent to household.*
- The application period is currently closed for summer 2024.
- For CEP schools: students who are not directly certified through SNAP, FDPIR, TANF, Medicaid need to apply for Summer EBT 2025 (even if they are receiving free meals at school).
- Funds for Summer EBT benefits are *not* coming out of school or state budgets. Summer EBT benefits are paid for by federal dollars.

We hope you'll join us in connecting even more families to this incredible program! If you have any questions or would like digital copies, social media posts, or other resources, please contact us at (406) 541-4950.

Thank you,

Samantha Dennison
Montana Food Bank Network
childnutrition@mfnb.org



New Grocery Benefit!

Summer EBT

\$120 per eligible child



Who will get Summer EBT?



S-EBT 2024: families who were directly certified for free/reduced price school meals through public assistance programs (like SNAP) *or* who submitted an application before August 2024 should receive S-EBT in the mail in fall 2024.

S-EBT 2025: Scan or visit dca.opi.mt.gov/frapp for application information.

How can I use Summer EBT?

Summer EBT (or SUN Bucks) **must be used within 122 days from when funds are issued.** Benefits will be mailed on a debit-style EBT card that can be used at stores, farmers markets, and online retailers that accept SNAP.

Will Summer EBT affect other benefits?

Summer EBT will not affect other benefits you receive. S-EBT will be issued *in addition* to other benefits. S-EBT will not affect immigration status.

**The Office of Public Instruction can answer child specific questions.
Contact the hot-line at (406) 444-0044 or email S-EBT@mt.gov**

