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Kendall-Grundy Community Action Services (KGCA) Announces the Start of the LIHEAP Energy Assistance Program

Yorkville, IL; Morris, IL— The Kendall-Grundy Community Action Services (KGCA), a division of the Kendall County Health Department, is pleased to announce that funds are available for heating assistance through the federally funded Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), and state funded Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP), to assist income-eligible households residing in Kendall and Grundy Counties with their energy bills (natural gas, propane and electric bills) and furnace assistance. **All households in need are encouraged to apply.**

LIHEAP provides one-time benefits to income eligible homeowners and renters to help with energy bills and for reconnection of energy service. LIHEAP will begin tomorrow, **September 1, 2021**. Applications will be taken on a first-come, first-served basis through May 31, 2022, or until funding is exhausted. Households must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level to receive a benefit from the LIHEAP Program. Propane customers are encouraged to apply in September to take greater advantage of lower propane prices.

Beginning September 1, 2020 there will be an option to accept a one-time payment to your utility provider, or to enroll in PIPP. PIPP is a bill payment program that assists eligible customers by paying a monthly state benefit as long as the customer makes a pre-determined monthly payment before the due date each month. PIPP is available for eligible households who are customers of one of the following utilities: Ameren Illinois, ComEd, Nicor Gas, North Shores Gas and Peoples Gas. PIPP applicants will be enrolled on a first-come, first-served basis and until the earlier of March 31, 2022, or until funding by county and utility is exhausted.

30-day income guidelines for LIHEAP and PIPP are based on Federal Poverty Guidelines, State Median Income and the number of persons in the household. The program guidelines are as follows:

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2022 Poverty Guidelines:

Family Size	Gross monthly income
1	\$ 2,147
2	\$ 2,903
3	\$ 3,660
4	\$ 4,417
5	\$ 5,173
6	\$ 5,930

Applications will be taken for residents of Kendall County and Grundy County by phone appointment, or in person at the KGCA Yorkville office or Morris office.

To submit an application, you <u>MUST</u> submit <u>ALL</u> documentation required:

- 1. Proof of gross income from all household members for the prior 30-day period beginning with the date of application.
- 2. Proof of Social Security numbers or Individual Taxpayer Identification Number (ITIN) for all household members. Individuals without an SSN or ITIN can still apply and KGCA will advise accordingly.
- 3. A copy of current heat and electric bills issued within the last 30 days.
- 4. Other documents may be needed based on your household situation. If you have questions regarding this, please call our office.
- 5. A copy of rental agreement (if renting) showing that utilities are included, the monthly rental amount and landlord contact.

Please call KGCA at 630-553-9100 (Kendall County), or 815-941-3262 (Grundy County) to schedule an appointment, or for further information.



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