

# SARATOGA COUNTY

## Services

Child Protective 884-4151  
Preventive 884-4152  
Foster Care 884-4157  
Family/Adult 884-4159  
Fraud 884-4163  
Support/Collection 884-4142



## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

## Eligibility

SNAP 884-4155  
HEAP 884-4146  
Medicaid 884-4148  
Temporary Assist. 884-4144

Tina Potter  
Commissioner

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Patrick Maxwell  
Deputy Commissioner

September 20, 2021

Dear Supervisor:

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) for the 2021-22 year is scheduled to commence on Friday, October 1, 2021 for regular benefits and close on March 15, 2022. The emergency benefit component will open January 3, 2022 and remain open through March 15, 2022. The Furnace Repair/Replacement component for the 2020-21 HEAP year will close on September 30, 2021 and reopen for the 2021-22 HEAP year on October 1, 2021. Although there are established closing dates they are contingent on available funding.

The Office for Temporary Disability Assistance (ODTA) has developed the 2021-22 State Plan based on federal funding projections for LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) funding. The HEAP benefit amounts remain the same as last year.

Until the HEAP program is operational, any household facing an energy related crisis will be served through our Temporary Assistance emergency programs.

Regular and Emergency grant applications will be accepted Monday through Friday 9-5pm at the Department of Social Services. Mail-in and on-line application acceptance will be available prior to the opening of the program to households that received a 2020-21 benefit. After the official opening of the program, mail-in and on-line access is available to all households.

As in previous years, the Office for the Aging (OFA) will accept and process applications for disabled adults and the 60 and over population.

Most households in receipt of recurring Family Assistance, Safety Net Assistance, SNAP and select SSI recipients are categorically income eligible to receive a HEAP grant. Households not categorically eligible must meet gross income guidelines for the month of application.

I have enclosed a summary sheet of the 2021-22 HEAP Program highlights for reference when assisting your constituents with energy related issues. If you have any questions about this year's HEAP Program, please feel free to contact me at 884-4140.

Sincerely,

Tina Potter, Commissioner

## 2021-2022 HEAP Program

- 2021-2022 Home Energy Assistance Program opens October 1, 2021

- Income Eligibility

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Monthly Income</u>
1	\$2,729
2	\$3,569
3	\$4,409
4	\$5,249
5	\$6,088
6	\$6,928
7	\$7,086
8	\$7,243
9	\$7,401
10	\$7,558
11	\$7,715

- Regular Benefit Amounts

- Deliverable Fuels (Oil, Kerosene and Propane) - \$675
- Deliverable Wood products (wood, pellets, coal, corn) - \$525
- Utilities/Municipal Electric Heat (includes natural gas) - \$350

- Applications

- Mail
- Fax
- On-line
- Office drop off