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### Economic Security Corporation of Southwest Area's Summer Energy Crisis Intervention Program

The Missouri Department of Social Services has released its Summer Cooling assistance services to provide payment assistance for low-income Missourians with their summer cooling bills if they are in crisis.

There are some changes to the Summer Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

#### Summer Crisis Intervention Program:

- Meet 60% of the State of Missouri's SMI income level (chart below) for Missourians to income qualify.
  - Maximum benefit is up to \$600 per household
  - Deadline for assistance will be until September 30, 2021
  - There is an on-line application that can be used to make application from smart phones, tablets, laptops or desktop computers.

# of Persons	Monthly Income	60% SMI Yearly Income
1	\$ 2,211	\$ 26,531
2	\$ 2,891	\$ 34,694
3	\$ 3,571	\$ 42,858
4	\$ 4,252	\$ 51,021
5	\$ 4,932	\$ 59,184
6	\$ 5,612	\$ 67,348

To Be Eligible for the Summer Cooling Program:

- Meet or be below 60% of Missouri's SMI guidelines, and
- Must have a shut-off notice or services been terminated, and
- Be responsible for paying home cooling bill, and
- Have less than \$3,000 in bank accounts, retirement accounts or investments, and
- Be a U.S. citizen or legally admitted for permanent residents.

We will continue to engage using mobile phones, social media (Facebook), website ([www.escswa.org](http://www.escswa.org)) or Energy Assistance's direct email: <mailto:liheap@escswa.org>. If you need to reach any of the staff at these offices please use, the following direct phone lines/email:

ESC Central Office in Joplin:

- Utility Assistance: 417-781-0352, select option 515 or [liheap@escswa.org](mailto:liheap@escswa.org)

Other ESC Office Locations in Southwest Missouri:

- ESC's Neosho Office: 417-451-2206
- ESC's Anderson Office: 417-845-6011
- ESC's Lamar Office: 417-682-5591

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Funding for the Summer Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP) is provided through the Missouri Department of Social Services, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

**About Economic Security Corporation:** Since 1965, Economic Security Corporation has been a leader in developing solutions and bringing resources to Barton, Jasper, Newton and McDonald County. It offers a diversity of services meeting basic human needs for food and shelter, while enriching people's lives by providing access to increased education, skills, and building relationships for the future. ESC is a private nonprofit organization that receives federal, state and local funding; foundation grants; and donations from individuals and businesses in our community. To learn more about Economic Security Corporation please visit [www.escswa.org](http://www.escswa.org).

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