STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OF ENERGY, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES (R07/2021)



HOME ENERGY PLUS PROGRAM http://homeenergyplus.wi.gov

# **Home Energy Plus Application**

To apply for Energy Assistance online go to <a href="https://energybenefit.wi.gov">https://energybenefit.wi.gov</a>

For Office Use Only – shaded areas to be completed by agency						
Application Date (mm/dd/ccyy):	Wo	orker Nu	mber:			Withdrawn
Outreach Type:	nate Site				☐ Home	Visit  Mail Phone
This form is authorized under Wisconsin State Statute 16.27(2)(a). All information on the application is required in order to determine eligibility for benefits under the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance Program and the Wisconsin Weatherization Assistance Program. Collection of your Social Security number is not prohibited by federal law and is required for tracking applicant benefits granted by this Program. By providing application information, you are authorizing the Wisconsin Department of Administration and its authorized agents to verify the data provided against federal, state, county, energy provider, employer and landlord databases or records. The information collected on this form may be disclosed to energy programs operating under the Wisconsin Public Benefit Program Authority or Wisconsin Public Service Commission Approval, and may be used for the purposes of referral, research, evaluation, and analysis.						
Territory (County or Tribe) in which you live	ve:		Person ID (1	This number is	provided by	y the Program):
2. First Name:	Middle Initial:		Last Name:	(As show	on Social	Security card)
3. Alias First Name (if applicable):			Alias Last N	lame (if applica	ıble):	
4. Birth Date (mm/dd/ccyy):			5. Gender	: □ F		
6. Primary Phone Number:						
( )	☐ Ho	ome	□ Work	Cellular	☐ Cor	ntact
Secondary Phone Number:						
( )	☐ Ho	ome	Work	Cellular	☐ Cor	ntact
7. Email address:						
8. Preferred method of household communi	cation: Prir	mary Ph	one	☐ Email	☐ Ma	il Text message
9. Housing type you live in:						
☐ Single family house				For offi	ce use only	/: Ineligible Dwelling
2 to 4-unit building (including condos	) – Number of	units/ap	partments in	n your building	g:	
☐ Apartment or multi-unit building (inclu	ıding condos) -	- Numbe	er of units/a	partments in y	our buildi/	ing:
☐ Mobile home						
☐ Rooming house, motel, hotel, YMCA	or YWCA					
Other (describe)						
10. Mailing Address (if different than reside	ence address)	):				
Address						
City				Sta	ate	Zip
11. Residence Address (must complete):						
Address						
City				Sta	ate	Zip

<ul><li>12. Own or rent your residence: (choose rent if no one living in the ho</li><li>☐ Own</li><li>☐ Rent If rent, the following landlord information</li></ul>	NOTE: Choose 'Own' if you own a mobile home and pay lot rent					
Management Company or Business Name (if applicable):	Point of Contact or Landle	ord Name:				
Landlord Email Address:	Landlord F	Phone Number:				
Landlord Address:	(	1				
City:	State:	Zip:				
13. Identify the number of rooms in your residence:	Worker completes t	otal number of rooms:				
Living Room	Dining Room					
Kitchen	Family Room					
Number of Bedrooms	Den/Office					
List any other rooms:						
Do not count bathrooms, unfinished basements, laundry rooms, entryv	vays, hallways, unheated atti	cs and porches or closets.				
14. Select the response that best describes your living arrangement a	s of the date of this application	on:				
Live in a group home, half-way house, Community Based Resi	dential Facility (CBRF) or fos	ster home				
☐ Live in a nursing home						
Live in a government institution or prison or jail						
☐ Are currently in a homeless situation moving to a permanent re	esidence					
☐ None of the above						
15. Do you receive rental assistance (Section 8 or other government a	assisted housing)?	☐ Yes ☐ No				
16. Is there a guardian or designated representative?	No If yes, complete repr	esentative information:				
☐ Authorization of Representative ☐ Legal Guardian	☐ Power of Attorney (POA	) Protective Payee				
Guardian/Representative Name:	Guardian Phone N	umber: ( )				
Guardian/Representative Address:						
City:	State:	Zip:				
OR: List someone you are authorizing to discuss your applica representative:	ntion with who is not listed Relationship					
17. Are you (the applicant) a student under the age of 25 and enrolled ☐ Yes ☐ No	l at least half-time in an instit	ution of higher learning?				
If yes, check any of the following conditions that meet your situation	on:					
☐ Currently working twenty or more hours per week making at lea						
☐ Financially responsible for a child under age 18 who is living w	☐ Financially responsible for a child under age 18 who is living with you					
☐ Physically or mentally disabled (verification needed from gover	☐ Physically or mentally disabled (verification needed from government program)					
Receiving Unemployment Compensation (UC) benefits resulting	ng from TAA / NAFTA (must l	be a full-time student)				
Receiving TANF or W-2 Benefits						
☐ Spouse lives with you who is not a student						
None of the above apply  19. Applicant's Ethnic Group (sheek and):						
<ul><li>18. Applicant's Ethnic Group (check one):</li><li>☐ American Indian or Alaskan Native</li><li>☐ Hispanic</li></ul>		□ Not Reported				
·	of Hispanic origin	☐ Not Nepotted				
☐ Black, not of Hispanic origin ☐ Other						
19. Is anyone in the household under the age of 18 and related to any	adult household member?	☐ Yes ☐ No				

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IOUSE	HOLD MEMBERS:								Mades
<ul> <li>List <u>every</u> person who lives at your residential address today.</li> <li>Worker will contact you for Social Security numbers for first time applicants and new household members.</li> <li>Line 1 must be the applicant listed on page 1 (date of birth and gender must match information entered on page 1).</li> </ul>		Instructions a	at botton below I					hese	Worker initials
		Birth Date mm/dd/ccyy	Gender¹: (M)ale, (F)emale	Is this person a U.S. Citizen?	ls this person disabled?		Military Service <sup>3</sup>	ls this a child with shared placement?4	Citizenship <sup>5</sup> (Office use only)
	Name Applicant from page 1 must be listed here			Enter	Y" for	res an	a "N"	for No	00
1.	Applicant nom page 1 must be listed here								
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11.									
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If preferred household language is not English, list an English-speaking household member or representative who can answer

20. Enter total number of household members (including the applicant listed on page 1):

Identify the preferred household language:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Indicate the gender the individual most closely identifies with.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Enter "Y" in the box for FoodShare if that person received FoodShare in the month prior to the date of this application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Enter "Y" in the box for Military Service, if that person is serving or has ever served, or is a surviving spouse of someone who served in a branch of the United States military (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard) as active duty, Reserve, or National Guard.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> List all children living in your household who are in a minimum of 50% shared placement. Verification of child placement (such as a copy of court order) is required when children are living in a shared physical placement living arrangement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The office worker will enter "C", "E", or "I" in the Citizenship box to identify if that person is a U.S. (C)itizen, (E)ligible Non-Citizen, or (I)neligible Non-Citizen. Worker who completed this box should initial at the top of the column.

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ls١	our household a	zero income	household?	☐ Yes	☐ No
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Note: A zero income household has no sources of income, either earned or unearned, in the month prior to date of application.

**Income Types:** If anyone in the household is paying court-ordered child support (CS Paid) include that in the income below. Cash jobs should be reported as Self-Generated Income.

(A) Alimony Received	(GF) Gift/donations	(SSDI) Social Security Disability Insurance
(CS RECD) Child Support Received	(GV) Government Relief or Disaster	(SSI) Supplemental Security Income
(CS Paid) Child Support Paid	(LC) Land Contract Payment <sup>2</sup>	(T) TANF/W2
(CTS) SSI Caretaker Supplement	(O) Other	(TR) Tribal per Capita <sup>1</sup>
(DL) Disability Long-term	(P) Pensions, Annuities, and IRAs <sup>1</sup>	(UC) Unemployment Compensation <sup>3</sup>
(DS) Disability Short-term	(R) Rental Income <sup>1</sup>	(V) Veterans Benefits
(D) Dividends/Interest <sup>1</sup>	(SE) Self-Generated Income <sup>1</sup>	(W) Wages & Tips <sup>3</sup>
(G) Gambling/Lottery/Bingo	(SP) Spousal Impoverishment	(WK) Workers Compensation
(GR) General Relief	(SS) Social Security	

**Instructions:** List <u>all</u> household gross income in the chart below. Enter income code above in the income type column and where that income comes from in the income source column. **REQUIRED:** Proof of **gross** income received is needed for each income listed below.

Household Member's Name	Income Type	Income Source <sup>4</sup>	Prior Month	Verification Item	Worker Initials
Example: John Doe	W	ABC Corporation	\$1,278.25	Do not complete	
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### **Total Monthly Household Income**

If the household member is a seasonal employee (a person whose main source of income is earned in less than 12 months of a calendar year), the annual income must be provided for both wages and unemployment compensation received in the prior tax year. Copies of the W2 and 1099 forms will need to be provided to complete this application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This income is based on the average of the prior 12 months of income. A copy of the most recent federal income tax return is required to complete this application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Only the interest income received is counted. A copy of the amortization schedule or the 1099 form issued for tax purposes will need to be provided to complete this application.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Wages:provide verification of wages that were **received** in the month prior to date of application based on check date.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Source examples: wages, include name of employer such as ABC Corporation; if self-employed, include type of business or business name; if pension, include the payee of the pension; if interest and dividends, include the payee of this income.

<b>ENERGY USAGE:</b> Complete every section of energy usage – continued on n	ext page					
Primary Heat Source: Select one:						
☐ Electric Heat ☐ Fuel Oil ☐ Natural Gas ☐ Propane ☐ Wood or Other						
Select how the fuel bill is paid (check only one):						
☐ Directly pay the bill sent from the energy supplier (must complete accou	nt information)					
☐ Rental payment includes the energy in the monthly rent payment (not go	overnment assisted housing)					
☐ Separate payment is made to the landlord, mobile home park owner, or	no direct account with a vendor					
☐ Do not pay: energy included in the monthly rent when residing in govern heating/electric costs because of an in-kind arrangement	ment assisted housing or renters who pay neither rent or					
Name on Account:						
Is this account in a household member's name?						
If no, the account is in the name of:    A Deceased Spouse    A Protect	tive Payee					
If other, identify relationship of the account holder:						
Is this meter shared with another dwelling unit?	☐ Yes ☐ No					
Is there business or recreational use on this account (including farm, other	self-employment, pool or hot tub)?					
Vendor Name:	Vendor Number (office use):					
Account Number:	Annual Fuel Costs:					
Electric (Non-Heating): If your primary heat source (above) is electric, do	not complete this section.					
Select how the electric bill is paid (check only one):						
☐ Directly pay the bill sent from the energy supplier (must complete accou	nt information)					
$\square$ Rental payment includes the energy in the monthly rent payment (not go	overnment assisted housing)					
$\hfill \square$ Separate payment is made to the landlord, mobile home park owner, or	no direct account with a vendor					
☐ Do not pay: energy included in the monthly rent when residing in govern heating/electric costs because of an in-kind arrangement	nment assisted housing or renters who pay neither rent or					
Name on Account:						
Is this account in a household member's name?						
If no, the account is in the name of:   A Deceased Spouse   A Protective Payee   Other						
If other, identify relationship of the account holder:						
Is this meter shared with another dwelling unit?						
Is there business or recreational use on this account (including farm, other self-employment, pool or hot tub)?						
Vendor Name*:	Vendor Number (office use):					
Account Number:	Annual Fuel Costs:					

<sup>\*</sup>A vendor must be entered showing who provides electricity to this dwelling even if electricity is included in rent or a separate payment is made to landlord.

#### Additional Energy Account Information - answer the following questions regarding the household energy situation.

These answers will not affect your benefit amount but must be answered. **Primary Heat Source:** If your primary heat source is natural gas or electric, have you received a past due or disconnect notice within the last 90 days? ☐ No □ Does not apply If your primary heat source is propane or fuel oil, does your tank currently have equal to or less than 20% of fuel remaining? ☐ No ☐ Does not apply Hot Water: Identify fuel type that heats the water in your home: ☐ Electric ☐ Fuel Oil □ Natural Gas ☐ Propane ☐ Wood or Other ☐ None Supplemental Heat Source (Do you use additional heat sources such as fireplace, wood burner, space heaters, or other alternate heating type from the primary heat?) Identify, if any, what supplemental heat is used in your home (select only one): ■ None ☐ Electric Heat ☐ Wood or Other (Specify other) **Air Conditioning:** Identify the method used to cool your home (select only one): ☐ Central Air ☐ Wall/Window Unit A/C □ None

PLEASE SIGN PAGE 7

Proof of income is required to complete the application

Case Notes

#### **Certification Page**

Read each item on this page before signing the application. If you do not understand any item, ask the worker for assistance.

Person ID:	Application #:	

- I understand I am responsible for providing all required information within 30 days of the date of this application or the application is void and will be denied. I may reapply but a new application will be required.
- 2. I understand I am responsible for reporting the names of all persons living at my address and the Social Security number and income of all persons in my household. Collection of Social Security number is not prohibited by federal law and is a required data element for tracking applicant benefits granted by this Program. Failure to provide this information will result in delayed processing of my application and the inability to determine benefit amounts.
- 3. I understand I am responsible for using the payments I receive to pay for the heating/electric costs for the residence listed in my application or for paying the heating/electric costs for any future permanent residence I may move to in Wisconsin.
- 4. I understand I have the right to apply for Energy Assistance benefits and to receive either a payment or letter of explanation within 45 days from the date the application process is completed. I understand that the payment or letter of explanation may be delayed depending on when the Program year begins and/or when payments are being processed.
- 5. I understand I have the right to request a fair hearing within 15 days after receiving a notification letter if I believe my Energy Assistance application has not been processed timely, has been incorrectly denied, or my payment is incorrect. I may also request a fair hearing if I have not received payment or explanation. I may ask for a fair hearing by contacting the local office that processed my application because I applied directly to their office or submitted an online application.
- 6. I understand I have the right to file a complaint if I believe I have been discriminated against in any unlawful way. I may file a complaint by contacting the authorized person within my county or tribe.
- I understand that by providing application information I am authorizing the Wisconsin Department of Administration and its authorized agents to verify the data provided against federal, state, county, energy provider, water utility, employer and landlord databases or records.
- 8. I understand that by providing the account numbers for my household energy supplier(s) I am authorizing the energy provider(s) to provide details about the account and energy use to the Wisconsin Department of Administration for the purposes of eligibility determination of this and future applications, benefit determination, and program evaluation and analysis including before and after receiving any weatherization services.
- 9. I understand that the rights, requirements, and authorizations I certified to on this application may also apply to multiple heating seasons, crisis, and furnace applications, when supplemental benefits are issued, and to outreach activities.
- 10. I understand the information collected on this form may be disclosed to energy programs operating under the Wisconsin Public Benefit Program Authority, Wisconsin Public Service Commission Approval, or other programs administered by the State of Wisconsin and may be used for the purposes of referral, research, evaluation, and analysis.
- 11. I understand if eligible for energy assistance benefits, I may be referred to other residential weatherization and/or energy programs. I authorize the weatherization agency to provide weatherization services to my residence. If I am not the owner of the residence, I authorize the weatherization agency to contact my landlord and I will cooperate with the agency providing weatherization services.

I certify that the information on this application and all information given in connection with this application are true and complete statements of facts. I further certify that I have read and understand the statements above. I understand that I may be required to provide proof of any information on this application and that giving false information will invalidate this application, require the return of any benefits received and possibly subject me to criminal prosecution. By typing my name in the 'Applicant Signature' field, I indicate that I am the person named, and this entry is the legal equivalent of a manual/handwritten signature. I further understand that I may print out the document and sign by hand.

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Applicant Signature	Date (mm/dd/ccyy)
FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
Agency Worker Signature	Date (mm/dd/ccyy)

I certify that I have verified the information on this application in accordance with Home Energy Plus policies and to the best of my knowledge this information is complete and accurate. I further certify that I do not have a personal relationship to any individual listed on this application in accordance with the Home Energy Plus Conflict of Interest Policy.

**NOTE:** Paper applications must be mailed to the local agency.

If the local agency address was not provided, you can obtain the correct mailing address for your local agency from:

http://homeenergyplus.wi.gov/

Click on the 'Where to Apply' tab and select the county or tribe where you live.

Agency: Attach a mailing sticker here with correct mailing address for application to be submitted.



## **DID YOU SIGN PAGE SEVEN?**

Plea	Please tell us how you heard about the Energy Assistance Program this year:				
	Insert in my utility bill		Bus ad		
	Phone call from agency		Email from agency		
	Mailed notice from agency		Website (Identify Site)		
	Radio (Identify Radio Station)		TV news (Identify TV Station)		
	Notice in local paper or mailer (Identify paper or mailer)				
	Energy Assistance flier (Where did you get the flier)				
	Other (Identify the source)				

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