Division of Welfare and Supportive Services

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM & WATER AND SEWER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION

The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) is designed to help eligible Nevada households with their annual heating and electric costs. The Water and Sewer Assistance Program (WSAP) is designed to help eligible Nevada households with their water and sewer costs.

* INCOME REQUIREMENTS *

The total gross monthly income of all household members may not exceed the amounts shown in the chart below.

YC	OUR HOUSEHOLD'	S GROSS MONT	HLY INCO	ME MAY NOT E	XCEED:
Persons in Home	Annual Income	Monthly Income	Persons in Home	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$20,385	\$1,698.75	5	\$48,705	\$4,058.75
2	\$27,465	\$2,288.75	6	\$55,785	\$4,648.75
3	\$34,545	\$2,878.75	7	\$62,865	\$5,238.75
4	\$41,625	\$3,468.75	8	\$69,945	\$5,828.75

(For families/households with more than 8 persons, add \$7,080 to the annual income for each additional person).

Households with a chronic or long-term illness, who pay out of pocket medical expenses and whose gross income exceeds the income guidelines may have their countable income reduced by verified qualifying expenses.

Households that are eligible for EAP are categorically eligible for WSAP if the household is eligible for water and sewer benefits.

* BENEFITS *

Eligible households receive an annual one-time-per-year benefit called a "fixed annual credit" customarily paid directly to their energy, water, and sewer provider(s). The benefit shows as a credit on the bill.

MINIMUM PAYMENT – The minimum yearly payment for eligible households is \$240.

* WHEN TO APPLY *

- → If your family is not currently on the program and you meet the income requirements, apply **NOW**.
- → If you received an EAP benefit during the past 12 months, a notice will be mailed to you when it is time to reapply for EAP. If you submit an application prior to the date you're eligible to reapply, the application will be denied.

* WHAT DO I NEED? *

Submit a completed application with <u>the required verification</u>. Suggested income verifications are noted on the back of this page. To get answers to other questions, call:

Reno/Carson City (775) 684-0730 Las Vegas (702) 486-1404 Toll Free (800) 992-0900

Visit our website at: http://dwss.nv.gov for more information on the program requirements.

You can find information about the Weatherization Assistance Program at:

http://housing.nv.gov/programs/Weatherization/

DOCUMENTATION EXAMPLES OF REQUIRED PROOF OF INCOME

All documentation sent with your application can be either originals or photocopies. If you are unable to photocopy the originals, our office will copy the material and if requested we will send it back after your case has been processed.

Earned Income: Includes income from employment, self-employment (see below), child care services, house cleaning, and/or any service for which you are paid. Provide copies of check stubs (if paid in cash, a statement from the person who paid you for a service) for at least the last thirty (30) consecutive days. If paid weekly – 4 check stubs; paid bi-weekly or semi-monthly – 2 check stubs. If you do not have check stubs, a signed and dated statement on letterhead from your employer stating your gross income for the last thirty (30) days and how often you get paid, is acceptable. If working through an employment agency or on-call provide proof of the last 12 months of income.

<u>Self-Employment/Non-Profit Business Income</u>: May include profit and loss statements signed by the applicant detailing gross income and expenses (receipts must be provided for deductions) during the last 12 months, a copy of the sales tax statement showing gross net proceeds, financial statements, a loan application listing income and expenses for the last 12 months, or DWSS Form 2011 that includes receipts for allowable deductions. Allowable deductions include: cost of goods sold, supplies and materials, advertising, accounting and legal fees, wages paid to employees, office space rent/mortgage, telephone, utilities, transportation costs necessary to produce income, etc.

<u>Unearned Income</u>: Includes income from the Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration, pensions, disability, military service, unemployment, child support, alimony, interest, dividends, regular insurance or annuity payments. If you are receiving *Social Security, SSI, Veterans Benefits, pensions, disability income, military income or unemployment*: provide copies of the benefit verification form or award letter for the current year showing any cost of living raises. If you are receiving *child support/alimony income*: provide a copy of divorce decree/separation/settlement agreement, or dated letter from the person paying the support (to include name, address and phone number), or a copy of the last check/statement from the child support enforcement agency. If you are receiving *interest income/dividends*: provide 12 months of bank account statements, certificates of deposit or other documentation that contains details and is signed by the financial institution, or a broker's quarterly statement showing earnings.

<u>Cash Contributions and/ or Recurring Gifts</u>: If someone is helping you pay your expenses **or** is giving you money: provide a signed statement from each person that includes their name, address, phone number, if the assistance will continue, and the amount provided to you during the last six months. Provide a signed and dated statement by the person providing the money indicating the amount of support, how often it is paid, when the arrangement began, and whether it is paid directly to a vendor or in cash to you. The statement must include the contributor's printed name, address(es), and phone number(s).

Student Income: Includes ALL scholarships and grants, e.g., Pell Grant, Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG), Veterans Administration educational benefits, etc. Please provide written confirmation of the amount of assistance, and the educational institution's written confirmation of the cost for the prior two (2) semesters and summer school (if applicable) of the student's tuition, fees, books and equipment. If benefits are paid directly to the student, copies of the latest benefit checks or canceled checks or receipts for tuition, fees, books, and equipment are acceptable.

<u>Public Assistance Income</u>: Includes but is not limited to TANF, county general assistance, Clark County Social Services, or American Indian/Alaska Native General Assistance. Provide a written statement from the public agency with the amount paid during the last month, or a copy of the award letter or check.

PLEASE NOTE: 1099 and W-2 forms by themselves are not acceptable as proof of income.

DIVISION OF WELFARE AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM & WATER AND SEWER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

MAIL <u>OR</u> FAX YOUR APPLICATION TO ONE OF THE OFFICES LISTED BELOW OR EMAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO: <u>ENERGYASSISTANCE@DWSS.NV.GOV</u>

LAS VEGAS / NORTH LAS VEGAS

3330 E. Flamingo Rd., #55, Las Vegas, NV 89121 Telephone: (702) 486-1404 Fax: (702) 486-1441

OFFICE FOR ALL OTHER AREAS

2527 N. Carson Street, Suite 260, Carson City, NV 89706 Telephone: (775) 684-0730 Fax: (775) 684-0740

	APPL	IC.	AT	Ю	N F	OR ASS	ISTA	NCI	E			
Please complete every section and complete all sections and questi documentation noted on the appli	ions and/or s	sign	the	ap	plicat	tion and Ri	ights a	nd O	bliga	tions	, OF	Provide the requested
	A. APPLI	[CA	NT	/H(OUSE	CHOLD IN	FORM	IATI	ON			
Please se	elect progra	m/s	s ap	ply	ing f	or: EA	AP [WS	SAP		Bot	h
Complete the following for every pe on the application should be the ap applicant.	erson living in y pplicant (perso	youi n lis	hon sted	ne, i on t	nclud he uti	ing yourself lity bill who	(attach resides	an ad in the	dition e hom	al pa e). I	ge if Provid	necessary). The first name de proof of identity for the
<u>Ethnicity</u> – Please choose one of the say	following codes	for	each	ı hoi	ısehol	d member- H	- Hispar	nic/Lat	ino, N	I-Non	-Hisp	panic/Latino, or X-Prefer not
<u>Race</u> – Please choose one of the foll or Alaska Native; J-American India American Indian or Alaska Native a combinations not listed above or X-1	an or Alaska I nd Black or Aj	Vati rica	ve a	nd I	White;	L-Asian and	d White	e; M-B	Black	or Aj	rican	n American and White; N-
<u>Gender</u> -Please choose one of the fol O-Other	llowing codes j	for e	each	hou	seholo	l member-M-	-Self-Ide	entifie	d Mai	le, F-	Self-1	dentified Female, or
<u>Sexual Orientation</u> -Please choose of GL-Gay/Lesbian, H-Heterosexual, H	one of the follo P-Pansexual, Q	wing J-Qı	g coo ueer,	les f O-0	or eac Other,	ch household or X-Prefer n	<i>membe</i> not to say	r-A-A	sexua	ıl, B-I	Bisexi	ual, F-Fluid,
Name (Last, First, Middle) (Jr., Sr., III)	Relationship to You	Ethnicity	Race	Gender	Sexual Orientation	Date of Birth (mm/dd/yy)	Age	Citiz Elig *N	S. en or gible on- zen No	Disa Yes	bled No	Social Security Number
(011, 211, 111)	SELF					(IIIII, uu, yy)	1180	100	110	100	1,0	Social Scouling Training
	SELI											
Are there additional people in your l	home?	S	□N	О		If "YES,"	' list the	m on	a sepa	arate	sheet	of paper.
Home Address (include apartment or un	it number)						City				Sta	
Mailing Address (If different from your	r home address.)	1				(City				Sta	te Zip
Home Phone	Day/Message/Cell Phone E-mail A			l Address								
*List the names of non-citizen ho	usehold mem	ber	s aut	hor	ized a	ıs legal resid	lents of	the U	nited	Stat	es:	
						<i>g</i>						
*Provide copies of the front and b	ack of their I-	551	(Re	side	ent Ali	ien Card) w	ith this	appli	catio	n.		

B. DWELLING INFORMATION Renters: Provide a complete signed copy of rent or lease agreement dated within the last 12 months, listing every person living in the home(s). If subsidized, provide signed Housing documents listing every person in the home, rent and utility rebate. Buyers/Owners: Provide copy of mortgage statement, or proof of payoff, or current tax information. Dwelling Type: House ☐ Apartment ☐ Condo/Townhome ☐ Rent Room ☐ Mobile Home ☐ Duplex ☐ Motel/Hotel ☐ Studio ☐ Travel Trailer ☐ Other: Dwelling Cost: Rent \$ ☐ Subsidized Rent \$ ☐ Space Rent \$ \square Own ☐ Buy \$ When did you pay off your mortgage? Rent/Buyers only: Landlord, Project/Complex, Mortgage Company Name: Address: Telephone No.: () Do you reside in subsidized housing where heating and electric are included in the rent? YES NO IF YES, select all that apply: Section 8 Section 42 Other: C. HELP US BETTER SERVE OTHERS How did you hear about the Energy Assistance Program? Check one that most applies: ☐ Friend ☐ Previous EAP Participant Other: *Please identify* \Box TV ☐ Radio ☐ Landlord Received Notice in Mail ☐ Utility Company (flyer or employee) ☐ Social Service Employee ☐ Print Media D. UTILITY INFORMATION Water and Sewer Providers WATER SERVICE **SEWER SERVICE** (Attach Copy of Bill) (Attach Copy of Bill) Check one that applies: Check one that applies: ☐ Receive bill from sewer company ☐ Receive bill from water company Sewer service included in rent/mortgage ☐ Water service included in rent/mortgage Pay separate bill to landlord for sewer service Pay separate bill to landlord for water service (Water Company Name) (Sewer Company Name) (Water Account Number) (Sewer Account Number) (Name on Account) (Name on Account) Is the person listed on the account your landlord? TYES NO Is the person listed on the account your landlord? YES NO (If the account holder does not live with you provide their address, (If the account holder does not live with you provide their address, telephone telephone number, relationship to you, proof of identity for the person number, relationship to you, proof of identity for the person who is named on the water bill, and a statement authorizing you to water bill, and a statement authorizing you to apply for benefits on their behalf.) apply for benefits on their behalf.) Do you have past due charges with your water provider and Do you have past due charges with your sewer provider and want assistance to pay this debt? TYES NO want assistance to pay this debt? YES NO

	Ener	rgy Providers						
ELECTRIC SE (Attach Copy of Check one that applies: Receive bill from utility compa	f Bill)	HEATING SERVICE (Attach Copy of Bill) Check one that applies: Receive bill from heating company						
☐ Electric service included in rent☐ Pay separate bill to landlord for		_	rice included in research					
(Electric Company	Name)	(Heating Company Name)						
(Electric Account N	Number)	(Heating Account Number)						
(Name On Acco	ount)		(Nan	e On Account))			
Is the person listed on the account yo	our landlord? □YES □ NO	Is the person list	ed on the accour	nt your landl	ord? □YES □	NO		
(If the account holder does not live we telephone number, relationship to you, p who is named on the utility bill, and a apply for benefits on their behalf.)	proof of identity for the person	number, relationsh	ip to you, proof o	f identity for	the person who is	s named on the		
ARREARAGE ASSISTANCE (Once every five years)	ARRE	EARAGE ASSIST	TANCE (On	ce every five year	rs)		
Do you have past due charges with want assistance to pay this debt?		Do you have passistance to pay				y and want		
If your energy provider is NV En energy providers, proof of the last required. Proof can be in the form	12 months of usage in dol	llars and <i>therms</i> ,	watts and/or ga	<i>llons</i> for yo	ur current add			
E	. HOW DO YOU WAN	NT YOUR EAP	BENEFIT PA	AID?				
Choose how you want your EAP b	enefits paid: (Mark O	NLY One)						
	eating provider.	Pay my entire ben- to my heating prov	vider.	to my el	entire benefit ectric provider.	i m		
If you choose a split payment your berbenefit may not be an equal 50/50 split	it.		•	·	C 1	•		
If you choose a single payment your be paid to your second provider. If you do not choose one of the option								
If you do not choose one of the option	•		i providers not to	exceed the a	illiuai usage pei	provider.		
		INCOME						
EARNED INCOME: Does an information below: (Include sel organization income)	•				-			
NAME OF PERSON WORKING	EMPLOYER	DATE OF HIRE	TYPE OF WORK	GROSS PAY PER CHECK	HOW OFTEN PAID	TIPS PER MONTH		
List all household members, age 18	or older, who are not curre	ently employed:						
		DATE LAST	GROSS PAY		EXPECT RE-EMP			
NAME OF PERSON	FORMER EMPLOYER	WORKED	PER CHECK	or PEN	IDING SSI? If YES	S, explain.		
Attach copies of all check stubs o employed. 1099s and W-2s by t months profit and loss statement	hemselves are <u>not</u> accepta							

		w. You must mark YES or NO for each selves are <u>not</u> acceptable proof of incom		proof of all unearned	income. 1099	9s and W-2s by	
YES		INCOME TYPE		PERSON RECEIVING	GROSS AMOUNT	FREQUENCY	
		Alimony		RECEIVING	AMOUNT	FREQUENCI	
		Boarders / Roomers (Attach notarized proof	of rental or lease)				
		Child Support					
		Contribution / Gifts / Church or Charitabl	e Donations				
		Educational Assistance / Student Loans					
Ш	Ш	(Attach proof of tuition, books and supplies for					
		Food Assistance (Supplemental Nutrition SNAP) In Nevada? Yes No If No,	Assistance Program- which State?				
		Foster Care					
		County Assistance / General Assistance					
		Interest / Dividends / Annuities / Royaltie	S				
		Loans					
		Lump Sum Payments (Settlements / Back	Pay, etc.)				
		Military Income / Allotment					
		Mining Claims					
		Panhandling					
		Pensions / Retirement					
		Property Rentals / Sale					
		Railroad Retirement					
		Room Rental (Attach notarized proof of ren					
		Social Security Benefits (RSDI)					
		Strike Benefits					
		Subsidized Housing					
		Supplemental Security Income (SSI)					
		Supported Living Arrangement (SLA)					
		TANF Assistance					
	☐ Tribal Assistance / Indian General Assistance (IGA)						
		Trust Income (Provide proof if it is not accessible)					
		☐ Unemployment Insurance					
		Utility Allowance / Rebate Check					
		Veterans Benefits					
		Winnings					
		Worker's Compensation or Temporary D	sability				
		Other					
MEI	ETIN	G EXPENSES:	1			1	
		nousehold expenses (e.g. rent, utilities, food hese expenses.	l, etc.) are more than your h	nousehold's income, e	explain how you	u are able to	
		eone is helping you meet your expenses or	is giving you money, you n	nust provide a signed	statement from	n each person	
th	at in	cludes their name, address, telephone numb	er and amount of help they	provided to you duri			
		fill out the information of the person(s) w					
Na Na	ame	of Person Assisting Address	Phone Number	Amount	<u>H</u>	ow often	
		vimont ours about a - in the land 1 112	no or honofit-9		•	1	
		expect any changes in the household's incomes. ES, what?	ne or benefits?	□ NO n?			
	11				hility		
		Changes in income prior	to certification will be use	eu to determine engi	omty.		

2. UNEARNED INCOME: Complete the following, indicating who, if anyone, receives money or benefits from the sources listed

G. RESPONSIBILITY

Information provided in this application is subject to verification and investigation by federal, state and local officials. If you make a false or misleading statement, misrepresent, conceal, or withhold facts, or fail to report changes to establish or maintain eligibility for energy assistance or water and sewer assistance, your benefits may be denied, terminated or reduced. You are responsible for repayment of all monies, services and benefits for which you were not entitled. Additionally, you may also be barred from program participation, criminally prosecuted and/or otherwise penalized according to state and federal law.

criminally prosecuted and/or otherwise penalized according to star	te and federal law.
Have you ever been determined to have committed an Intentional If YES, in what State?	Program Violation (IPV)? ☐ YES ☐ NO
H. AUTHO	ORIZATION
or any other member of my household which is necessary to determ administered by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Service information concerning me and/or my household members to the information regardless of the manner or form held, including by, we by law or otherwise privileged under NRS 422A.342 or any other Program to release information about my household, to include a Weatherization Assistance Program, for potential eligibility in information from liability, if any, resulting from the disclosure.	ealth and Human Services to make any investigation concerning me nine eligibility for benefits received or to be received under programs sees. I hereby authorize and consent to the release of any and all e Division of Welfare and Supportive Services by the holder of the without limitation, wage information, information made confidential er provision of law or otherwise. I authorize the Energy Assistance energy usage information, to the State of Nevada Housing Division, weatherizing my residence. I hereby release the holder of such ure of the required information. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT ON LEGALLY CONSTITUTES AN ORIGINAL COPY.
	e of my identity and waive my rights as an older person to have my on from liability, if any, resulting from the disclosure of the required
advise providers of assistance grants, and status at the time of co	or its representatives may survey my energy, water or sewer usage, ertification. I consent that the Division of Welfare and Supportive plication to verify factors of Energy Assistance Program and Water omated data exchange with the Social Security Administration.
that may affect my energy assistance and/or water and sewer assistance	Assistance Program of any changes in my household circumstances stance benefits. I understand failure to report changes may cause an ald even be prosecuted by a court of law. I swear I have honestly ct and complete to the best of my knowledge and ability.
Print Name of Applicant:	
Signature of Applicant:	Date:
Print Name of Other Adult Member(s) in Household:	
Signature of Other Adult Member(s) in Household:	Date:
Print Name of Other Adult Member(s) in Household:	
Signature of Other Adult Member(s) in Household:	Date:
WITNESS: (Use if applicant cannot read or write or is blind.) I Assistance Program and/or Water and Sewer Assistance Progra applicant and I have witnessed the above signature.	have assisted with the completion of this application for Energy am. The information in this application has been read to the
Print Name of Witness	

Signature of Witness

Date

Division of Welfare and Supportive Services ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM & WATER AND SEWER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM NOTICE OF RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

**** PLEASE READ AND SIGN BELOW ****

A. You have the following RIGHTS:

- 1. No person will be discriminated against for any reason, e.g., race, age, color, religion, sex, disability, handicap (including AIDS and AIDS related conditions), political belief or national origin, in any program administered by the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services. When the Energy Assistance Program (EAP) or Water and Sewer Assistance Program (WSAP) pays another agency, institution, or person to provide EAP or WSAP services to a household, the provider is not permitted to discriminate for any reason. Violations of discrimination shall be promptly reported to the Energy Assistance Program and Water and Sewer Assistance Program office, the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services Administrator, 1470 College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada 89706-7924, (775) 684-0500, the U.S. Office for Civil Rights (OCR), Department of Health and Human Services, 50 United Nations Plaza, San Francisco, California 94102, (415) 437-8310, TDD (415) 437-8311 or by calling toll free 1-800-368-1019.
- 2. You have the right to a <u>conference</u> if you believe you have been unfairly treated or a mistake has been made concerning your eligibility for assistance. To request a conference, write or call the Energy Assistance Program or the Water and Sewer Assistance Program.
- 3. You have the right to a <u>hearing</u> if you are not satisfied with the agency's action affecting your assistance if you request the hearing, in writing, within ninety (90) days of the agency's action/decision, unless the sole issue for the agency's action/decision is one of state or federal law requiring automatic benefit adjustment. You have the right to a hearing if your application is denied, acted upon erroneously, or not acted upon with reasonable promptness, or if your benefits have been reduced.
- 4. You have the right to a mailed notice of decision telling you if you are eligible for program benefits and in what amount, to whom payments will be made, and the approximate payment date(s); **or** a notice informing you that you are not eligible for program benefits and why.
- 5. Program staff are required to:
 - Inform applicants of the eligibility requirements for the program;
 - Counsel on required documents; and/or
 - Provide assistance to the applicant when needed.

B. You have the following OBLIGATIONS:

- 1. Notify the Energy Assistance Program or the Water and Sewer Assistance Program within ten (10) calendar days of any of the following:
 - Any change in your household income or household size (number of people residing in the household);
 - If you change utility companies; or
 - If you move anytime after submitting your application.

Note: Failure to do so may delay processing your application or result in denial of benefits or a reduction in benefits.

- 2. Respond to any requests for additional information needed to process your application within ten (10) calendar days. It is your responsibility to ensure the requested materials are mailed or faxed early enough to meet the deadline provided to you. Neither the Energy Assistance Program nor the Water and Sewer Assistance Program are responsible for lost or misdirected mail, or faxes. (Be sure your name and SSN or UPI are on all documents/correspondence.)
- 3. Cooperate with the Energy Assistance Program and the Water and Sewer Assistance Program in its efforts to secure all information necessary to determine eligibility or benefits.

C. SPECIAL NOTE:

- 1. If you are applying for the Energy Assistance Program or the Water and Sewer Assistance Program, you may receive help with your utility bills. BUT REMEMBER, YOU MUST KEEP PAYING YOUR BILLS WHEN THEY ARE DUE. If you do not pay them, the company can charge more money for paying late. The utility company can even turn off your service and you may be required to pay a deposit before they will turn your service on again. If you cannot pay your bill, contact the utility company, and try to make payment arrangements.
- 2. Persons found guilty of intentionally violating program rules will be ineligible for program participation for one (1) year for the first violation, two (2) years for the second violation, and permanently barred from the program for the third violation.

My signature below indicates I understand the Rights and Obligations as an applicant for the Energy Assistance Program and/or Water and Sewer Assistance Program.

Print Name of Applicant:		
Signature of Applicant:	Da	e:
Print Name of 2 nd Adult:		
Signature of 2 nd Adult:	Da	e:

IF YOU ARE <u>NOT</u> REGISTERED TO VOTE WHERE YOU LIVE NOW, WOULD YOU LIKE TO REGISTER TO VOTE HERE TODAY?

(Please check one)
☐ YES ☐ NO
If you do not check either box, you will be considered to have decided not to register to vote at this time.
The NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT provides you with the opportunity to register to vote at this location. If you would like help in filling out a voter registration application form, we will help you. The decision whether to seek or accept help is yours. You may fill out the application form in private.
IMPORTANT NOTICE : Applying to register or declining to register to vote WILL NOT AFFECT the amount of assistance you will be provided by this agency.

CONFIDENTIALITY: Whether you decide to register to vote or not, your decision will remain confidential.

Signature

IF YOU BELIEVE SOMEONE HAS INTERFERED with your right to register or to decline to register to vote, or your right to choose your own political party or other political preference, you may file a complaint with the Office of the Secretary of State, Capitol Complex, Carson City, Nevada 89710.

Date