

**August 2020 Public Notice**

**LIHEAP**

**(Low Income Energy Assistance Program)**

**Services begin October 1st to September 30th**

The LIHEAP Program is an Energy Assistance Program designed to assist low income households with home heating, cooling, and energy crisis intervention assistance.

**Residential HEATING Assistance (October 1- March 31)**.

This program aids eligible households with their primary source of heating: including wood, wood pellets, natural gas, propane, and electric (total electric households).

**Residential COOLING Assistance (April 30-September 30).**

This program aids eligible household with their primary source of cooling: electric. For UKB elders/disabled members additional assistance with window unit Air Conditioners and fans are available contingent on funding and timeframe of any previous receipt of a window unit.

**Crisis Assistance:**

Crisis Assistance is available to eligible UKB households under certain circumstance. Crisis Assistance includes utility assistance payment and other energy related expenses. Application process is required as well as a face to face meeting with Human Service Advocate. **Crisis Assistance is not guaranteed assistance**. Elder, disabled, and family with young children are priority applicants for Crisis Assistance.

**Applicants 55 years of age and older and disabled members are given priority service for the first three business days of each month.** All other eligible households will be assisted as funding permits.

Qualifications:

* + UBK Tribal member
	+ Resident of the UKB nine district area
	+ Meet income guideline (UKB HHS utilizes the 2020 State Median Income Guidelines
	+ Completed application with all documents (including income) submitted via fax, email, in-person, or through UKB Council Representative.

Benefits will be paid directly to energy supplier/vendor. No payments will be paid directly to applicant.

To apply or for more information contact:

UKB Human Services

Jennifer Cole-Robinson UKB HHS Director

18263 W. Keetoowah Circle

Tahlequah, OK 74464

918-871-2853

Or contact your Tribal District Representative

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