

PLEASE KEEP THIS INFORMATION SHEET

LOW-INCOME RATEPAYER ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR NONPROFIT GROUP-LIVING FACILITIES

PLEASE PROVIDE ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION SO THERE WILL BE NO DELAYS IN PROCESSING YOUR APPLICATION

DISCOUNT: Your facility may qualify for a 20% discount on your electric rates.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: The Facility Must Meet All of the Following Criteria:

For transitional housing (drug rehabilitation, half-way house), short- or long-term care facility (hospice), nursing homes, seniors' or children's home, or group home for physically or mentally disabled:

- Corporation operation facility must have IRS tax exempt status under Code 501(C)(3).
- Facility must be licensed by the State Department of Social Services, Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs, Department of Health Services, or other appropriate state agency.
- Facility must provide service, such as meals or rehabilitation, in addition to lodging.
- 100% of residents must meet current CARE eligibility guidelines for a single-person household. (See below)
- 70% of the electricity supplied to the facility must be used for residential purposes.
- Satellite facilities in the name of the licensed parent facility, where 70% of the energy supplied is for residential purposes, are also eligible.

For Homeless Shelters:

- Corporation operating facility must have IRS tax exempt status under Code 501(C)(3)
- Facility must have a Conditional Use Permit.
- Facility must provide at least six beds each night for a minimum of 180 days each year for persons who have no alternative residence.
- Primary function of facility is to provide lodging.
- 70% of electricity supplied to the facility must be used for residential purposes.

Facilities Not Eligible:

- A group-living facility offering only a place to live.
- Government-subsidized facility providing lodging only.
- Government-owned housing.
- Student housing, dormitories, fraternities, sororities, etc.

INDIVIDUAL ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES:

Each resident's annual gross income does not exceed \$40,880 OR resident is receiving one of the following types of assistance:

- Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), State Supplementary Payment (SSP) benefits.
- Social Security, Veteran's, Disability, Unemployment or Retirement benefits.

ATTACHMENTS REQUIRED:

- A copy of IRS letter determining tax-exempt status or corporation operating the facility under IRS Code 501(C)(3).
- A copy of license from appropriate State agency, or a copy of Conditional Use Permit for each facility.

ANNUAL RECERTIFICATION:

Facility is required to re-certify annually and provide amount of discount received in prior year and an explanation of how the discount funds were used for the direct benefit of low-income residents. An application will be automatically sent to you each year.