

Financial Help

New assistance plans are available.

Need help paying your bills? There are plenty of new funds from programs and organizations that partner with Evergy to help you pay bills. If you are already behind on your bill, we now offer payment plans. For more information, visit [evergy.com/financialassistance](https://www.evergy.com/financialassistance) or call **800-383-1183**.



Renters Only

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Consists of funds available (due to COVID-19) for **renters only** to pay rent and utilities. You're able to apply once every 3 months, up to 4 times.

To apply, visit kshousingcorp.org/emergency-rental-assistance.
Wichita residents visit wichita.gov/WERAPapplication.

You can also apply for LIEAP in addition to this program.



Eligibility Requirements

- Household income **at or below 80% of the area median income**
- Eligible for unemployment or experienced a reduction in income
- Demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability



Amount of Benefit

Funds cover **up to 12 months (past due to current)** and forward assistance may be available for rent for up to 3 months.



Low to Moderate Income

Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP)

LIEAP provides a one-time per year payment to help with energy costs.

Applications are open until May 28.

To apply, visit dcf.ks.gov or call **800-432-0043**.



Eligibility Requirements

- An adult living at the address must be responsible for paying the heating costs incurred at the current residence, payable either to the landlord or fuel vendor
- Have made recent payments of at least \$80 toward heating fuel costs
- Combined gross income (before deductions) of all persons living at the address **may not exceed 150% of the federal poverty level**



Amount of Benefit

Benefit is paid once per year and levels vary according to Household income, number of people living at the address, type of dwelling and type of heating fuel.

Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

EITC helps low to moderate income workers and families receive a tax break.

For more information, visit [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov).



Eligibility Requirements

- Show proof of earned income
- Have investment income below \$3,650 in the tax year you claim the credit
- Have a valid Social Security number
- Claim a certain filing status
- Be a U.S. citizen or a resident alien all year
- EITC has special qualifying rules for military members, clergy members and taxpayers and their relatives with disabilities



Amount of Benefit

The average amount of EITC received nationwide was about \$2,461.

Project DESERVE

Provides emergency assistance on energy costs to people with a severe disability (children or adults meeting social security disability criteria), older adults (65 years+) and income-eligible households.

For more information visit [evergy.com/projectdeserve](https://www.evergy.com/projectdeserve).



Eligibility Requirements

- 65 Years or older or receives permanent disability income from SSI or SSD

OR

- Must meet the household income eligibility guidelines



Amount of Benefit

May receive a one-time payment of up to **\$100-\$300**, depending on eligibility, to be applied toward an energy bill over a rolling 12-month period.

United Way

Find additional support and resources through United Way by calling **2-1-1** or online at [211kansas.com](https://www.211kansas.com).

Prevent fluctuating bills

If you notice bills are much higher some months than others, check out our **Average Payment Plan** to help keep bills level and consistent year-round.

For further information visit [evergy.com/financialassistance](https://www.evergy.com/financialassistance) or call **800-383-1183**. Representatives are available Monday through Friday, 7am to 7pm.