Skagit County & Washington State LIHEAP Impacts

Personal Stories

"I heat solely with propane. If it weren't for LIHEAP,

I would not be able to afford to heat my home and pay bills too."

Noreen is a 54-year old single female. She lives in an RV, with a monthly income of \$1,033, and \$585 monthly rent.





"Getting help with the LIHEAP program means my family has the help to keep our power on when we don't have money to pay the bill. It means our family of 7 get to stay warm, cook food, take warm baths or showers. It has saved us from being freezing cold in winter months. I am very grateful to have program like this for times of need."

Leah lives in a 2-parent household, taking care of a family of 7. She rents a mobile home with a monthly rent of \$905, and they can only afford to have 1-parent work due to daycare costs.

Special Focus: LIHEAP's 2023 Support of Veterans

Veterans and their families are 1 of every 12 households served by LIHEAP in Washington State

If your Skagit County constituents are struggling to pay the bills, we can help, thanks to LIHEAP! Send them to: www.CommunityActionSkagit.org/EnergyAssistance

Contact us for more Impact stories!
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veteran households served by LIHEAP in Washington State

132

veteran households served by Community Action of Skagit County

2023 LIHEAP Impact in Washington State

80,000+

households received assistance

38%

of households assisted included a senior citizen

\$39,242,671

total LIHEAP invested in family stability

\$14,794

average annual income of those receiving LIHEAP

\$993.90

average annual electric cost of those receiving LIHEAP

\$708

average annual heating cost of those receiving LIHEAP

6.7%

average annual electric burden

4.8%

average annual heating burden

11.5%

should be 3% of income

2023 LIHEAP Impact in Skagit County

\$828,210

invested in your constituents' economic stability 1,676

households received assistance

933

seniors received assistance

1,029

households at risk
of losing utility service
kept the lights on
thanks to LIHEAP

459

single-parent families received assistance 1,132

renting families received assistance