

## **Energy Assistance**

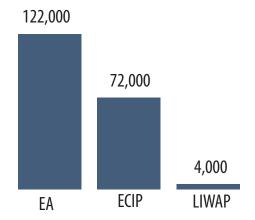
The federal government provides funding for energy assistance programs that provide limited financial assistance to help low-income Missouri families, seniors and people with disabilities with the costs of heating and cooling their homes in order to reduce the health and safety risks associated with disconnection of utility services.

Missouri's Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is administered primarily through contracts with Community Action Agencies and other nonprofits across Missouri and provides:

**Energy Assistance (EA)** is used primarily to make direct payments to energy providers in order to maintain heating and cooling services for the families who are eligible for assistance. Assistance is targeted toward low income households with high energy costs. Homes with seniors, children under six, and the disabled are prioritized.

**Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP)** is used to make direct payments to energy providers to avoid the disconnection of or to reconnect utilities.

## Projected Number of Missourians Served by Energy Assistance, FY 2018



## The Low-Income Weatherization Assistance Program (LIWAP) provides financial assistance to low income households to assist in reducing utility costs through home weatherization. Ten percent of energy assistance funding is allocated to LIWAP, which is administered through the Department of Economic Development.

## Annual Income Limits for Energy Assistance in Missouri by Household Size

	2017 Income Eligibility			
	1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person
LIHEAP (135% FPL)	\$16,281	\$21,924	\$27,567	\$33,210
LIWAP (200% FPL)	\$24,120	\$32,480	\$40,840	\$49,200