



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS APPLICATION JULY 2026 – MAY 2027

Ohio's Energy Assistance Programs can help income eligible Ohioans manage their utility bills. The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP), and emergency HEAP provide the benefit directly to a customer's utility bill. The Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP) is an extended payment plan in which customers pay a percentage of their income toward their utility bill each month. If you are looking to improve the energy efficiency of your home to help lower your energy bills, the Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP) or Electric Partnership Program (EPP) may help. For HWAP and EPP, visit energyhelp.ohio.gov to find your local provider and contact them for additional information.

You can apply for the energy assistance programs by visiting energyhelp.ohio.gov and completing the online application, by completing this application and mailing it to your local energy assistance provider, or by scheduling an appointment with your local energy assistance provider or HWAP/EPP provider. Applications completed online or by mail can take up to 12 weeks to process. Please visit energyhelp.ohio.gov for additional information.

Here's what you'll need to complete this application:

- Proof of citizenship for each member of the household
- Copies of your most recent utility bills
- Proof of income for each member of household for either the previous 30 days or 12 months
- Disability verification (if applicable)

A household is defined as any individual or group of individuals living together as one economic unit for whom residential energy is customarily purchased in common or who make undesignated payments for energy in the form of rent (Per Section 2603 (5) of the Low-Income Energy Assistance Act of 1981). If you live in federally subsidized housing and have a utility bill in your name, you may be eligible for assistance. A copy of the utility bill or documentation of responsibility (example: copy of your rental agreement/lease or signed letter from your landlord) is required.

For a dwelling unit to be eligible for energy assistance benefits, its primary heat source must be:

- A regulated or unregulated utility (gas and electric).
- A legal fireplace (wood).
- A permanent, free-standing fuel tank (oil and propane).
- A legally vented wood/coal stove or furnace.

Residents of any licensed medical facility (hospital, skilled nursing facility or intermediate care facility) or publicly operated community residence (example: YMCA) are not eligible. Boarding/rooming houses, group homes or emergency shelters are also not eligible.

If eligible, the HEAP benefit amount will depend on federal funding levels, how many people live with you, total household income and the main fuel used. In most cases, benefits are applied directly to the heating bill by the utility company. If you are reverifying your PIPP amount, it will be based on either 10% or 5% of your total household income for the past 30 days, depending on your heating source.

These are the programs you can apply for with this application:

- ☐ Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).
- ☐ Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP).
- ☐ Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP).
- ☐ Electric Partnership Program (EPP).

JULY 2026 – MAY 2027 Income Guidelines

Size of Household				
1				
2				
3				
4	(175%)		(200%)	
5	(For PIPP, EPP, HEAP,		(For HWAP)	
6	WCP and SCP)			
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When determining households up to seven members for HEAP, 175% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) is used. For HEAP, households over seven members, 60% State Median Income (SMI) is used. PIPP and EPP for all household sizes is 175% of the FPG. When determining 200% of the FPG for HWAP, households with more than seven members must add \$11,360 for each additional member.

How can I check the status of my application?

To check the status of your application, please visit energyhelp.ohio.gov and create an account.

Please note: Applications are processed in the order received and may take up to 12 weeks from the date of your signed application.

HEAP benefits may be applied to your utility bill as early as October 2026.

IMPORTANT: The HEAP Program runs from July 1, 2026 – May 30, 2027. Applications dated June 1, 2026 – June 30, 2027, will be processed for PIPP, EPP and/or HWAP only. Customers seeking HEAP must submit a new application starting July 1, 2026.

If you have questions, please contact your local energy assistance provider or send us a message by visiting energyhelp.ohio.gov and clicking "contact us."

Acceptable Citizenship Documentation (DO NOT SEND ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS)

Proof of U.S. Citizenship	Proof of Legal Resident/Qualified Alien
1. Birth Certificate/Hospital Birth Records/Birth Registration Card 2. Baptismal Records (Only when place and date of birth is shown) 3. U.S. Indian Census Record 4. Military Service Record 5. U.S. Passport 6. Verified Citizenship for Ohio Works First (OWF) Program 7. Voter Registration Card 8. Social Security Card (Social Security Cards administered by Social Security Administration that are valid for work authorization status only will not be accepted for citizenship verification)	1. Naturalization Papers/Certifications of Citizenship 2. INS ID Card 3. Alien Registration Cards/Re-entry permits 4. INS Form I-151, IR1-9, or I-551 (Form I-151 will not be valid after August 1, 1993) 5. INS Form I-94 if annotated with either: a) Sections 203(a)(7), 207, 208, 212(d)(5), 243(h), or 241(b)(3) of the Immigration and Nationality Act; or b) One or a combination of the following terms: Refugee, Parolee, or Asylee 6. Permanent Visa INS Form G-641, "Application for verification of Information from INS Records," when annotated at bottom by INS representative as lawful admission for humanitarian reasons 7. Documentation that alien is classified pursuant to Sections: 101(a)(2), 203(a), 204(a)(1)(a), 207, 208, 212(d)(5), 241(b)(3), 243(h), or 244(a)(3), of the Immigration and Nationality Act 8. Court order stating deportation has been withheld pursuant to Section 241(b)(3) or 243(h) or of the Immigration and Nationality Act 9. INS Form I-688

Acceptable Proof of Income

Fixed Income	Earned Employment Income	Supplemental Income	Other Sources of Income	Other Earned Income
☐ Award/Benefit letter ☐ Payment printout/statement from issuing agency ☐ Copy of check or bank statement including deposit ☐ Most recent filed IRS Form 1040 or Tax Transcript ☐ Most recent IRS Form 1099	☐ All pay stubs received 30 days from the date of the application that include gross and year-to-date amounts received (including active military pay) ☐ Completed and signed Employment Verification Form* ☐ Payroll Printout ☐ Most current pay statement (Leave and Earning Statement (LES))	☐ Copy of check/award amount letter ☐ ODJFS documents/eligibility letter with amounts and dates ☐ Most recent IRS Form 1099 ☐ Housing Authority Documentation ☐ Pay stubs received within the previous 30 days from the date of the application ☐ Payment printout/statement from issuing agency	☐ Statement from Financial Institution ☐ Copy of check or bank statement showing deposit ☐ Most recent IRS Form 1099	☐ Pay stubs indicating amount received within the previous 12 months from the date of the application ☐ Self-Employment Income and Expense Form* for the previous 12 months ☐ Most recent filed IRS Form 1040 and Schedules ☐ Most recent IRS Form 1099 ☐ Seasonal Employment Verification Form*

*All forms marked with an asterisk contact your local energy assistance provider to obtain a copy of the document

Privacy Act Notice

DISCLOSURE: The disclosure of Social Security numbers is mandatory to receive HEAP benefits.

AUTHORITY: 45 CFR 96.84 (c); 42 U.S.C. 405(c)(2)(C)(i)

USE: The state will use Social Security numbers in the administration of the Home Energy Assistance Program to verify information supplied on the application to prevent, detect and correct fraud, waste, and abuse. The information is also used to respond to requests for information from agency programs funded by block grants to states for Temporary Assistance for Needy Families or agencies requesting information for child support or to establish paternity. The applicant may be held civilly or criminally liable under federal or state law for knowingly making false or fraudulent statements.

Primary Household Member Personal Information Section*

Enter the information completely. Do NOT send originals. PLEASE USE DARK BLUE OR BLACK INK.

Failure to fill out the application completely, provide all the required documentation and sign the application (on the last page) will delay the processing of your application.

Date Received

Client Number

First Name*	M.I.	Last Name*
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Social Security Number* ☐ Applying for Social Security Number	U.S. Citizen / Legal Resident (Qualified Alien)* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Military Status ☐ Active ☐ Veteran ☐ No Military Service	Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY)*
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Disabled* ☐ Yes ☐ No	Gender ☐ Female ☐ Male	Ethnicity ☐ Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins ☐ Not Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins
Race ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native ☐ Asian ☐ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American ☐ Asian/White ☐ Other Multi-Race ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native & White ☐ Black/African American ☐ White ☐ Black/African American/White		

Non-Cash Benefits ☐ Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) / Food Stamps ☐ Affordable Care Act Subsidy ☐ Child Care Voucher	☐ Public Housing ☐ HUD-VASH ☐ Permanent Supportive Housing	☐ Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) ☐ Other	Number of Household Members
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Family Type ☐ Single Parent/Male ☐ Non-related Adults with Children ☐ Single Parent/Female ☐ Multigenerational Household ☐ Two-Parent Household ☐ Other ☐ Single Person	Housing Type ☐ Own ☐ Rent	Residence Structure ☐ Mobile Home ☐ Apartment ☐ Single-Family ☐ Basement ☐ Multi-Family Low Rise (3 stories or less) ☐ Building ☐ Multi-Family High Rise (4 stories or more)
Does anyone in your household receive any of the following Categorical Eligibility benefits? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes: ☐ SSI ☐ TANF ☐ LIHEAP ☐ HUD ☐ SNAP ☐ PRC ☐ WIC		

Email Address ☐ Email ☐ Postal	Phone Number (including area code) ()
Preferred Method of Contact	
Mailing Address (number and street including route)*	Apt/Lot/Unit/Floor
City* ☐ Same as above ☐ Different (list below)	State* ZIP Code*
County*	
Is Utility Service Address the Same?*	
Current Service Address (if different from above; number and street including route)	Apt/Lot/Unit/Floor
City ☐ Yes ☐ No	State ZIP Code
County	
Do You Receive Rental Assistance?*	Landlord Organization (if you rent)
Landlord First Name*	Landlord Last Name*
Landlord Phone Number - Cell and/or Landline (including area code)* ()	
Landlord Mailing Address (number and street including route, Apt/Lot/Unit/Floor)*	Landlord E-Mail Address*
City*	State*
ZIP Code*	
County*	

* Indicates information required in to process your application.

Missing information may delay processing of your application.

Primary Household Member Income Section*

Failure to fill out the application completely, provide all the required documentation and sign the application will delay the processing of your application.

Fixed Income	Earned Employment Income	Supplemental Income	Other Sources of Income [†]	Other Earned Income [†]
☐ Social Security ☐ Supplemental Security (SSI) ☐ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) ☐ Pension (Private and VA) ☐ Widow/Widower's Benefit ☐ Alimony ☐ Black Lung Pension ☐ Lump Sum payout from these sources	☐ Wages ☐ Active Military Pay	☐ Unemployment ☐ Utility Assistance ☐ Workers' Compensation ☐ Employment Disability Payout ☐ Strike Benefit	☐ Cash withdrawn from IRAs / Annuities / Other Investments ☐ Interest Income ☐ Lump Sum Payouts (Estate and Trust Settlements / Divorce Settlements / Insurance Payout / Lottery Winnings) ☐ Dividends ☐ Capital Gains ☐ Other	☐ Self-employment (includes owning own business, babysitting, home party sales, odd jobs, Ohio Electronic Child Care, etc.) ☐ Seasonal employment (includes teachers, construction workers, etc.)
[†] These categories MUST provide 12 months of income documentation				
Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$
Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$

Household Members and Income Section

If you have additional household members (anyone living in your household at the same address), please complete Household Members and Income Section of the application (this section), on pages 2-4. If you have more than five household members, print an additional household member section page from energyhelp.ohio.gov or pick up another application at your energy assistance provider.

Full Name*		Social Security Number* ☐ Applying for Social Security Number		Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY)*	
Relationship to person applying					
Education and Employment Information ☐ Grade 0-8 ☐ Grade 9-12/Non-Graduate ☐ High School Graduate ☐ GED/Equivalency Diploma ☐ 12+ Some Post-Secondary ☐ Unknown/not reported ☐ 2 or 4 years college graduate ☐ Graduate of other post-secondary school					
Disabled* ☐ Yes ☐ No		Gender ☐ Female ☐ Male	Ethnicity ☐ Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins ☐ Not Hispanic, Latino or Spanish Origins		
Race ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native & Black/African American ☐ American Indian/Alaskan Native & White		☐ Asian ☐ Asian/White ☐ Black/African American ☐ Black/African American/White	☐ Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander ☐ Other Multi-Race ☐ White		U.S. Citizen / Legal Resident (Qualified Alien)* ☐ Yes ☐ No Do you currently have health insurance ☐ Yes ☐ No
Fixed Income	Earned Employment Income	Supplemental Income	Other Sources of Income [†]	Other Earned Income [†]	
☐ Social Security ☐ Supplemental Security (SSI) ☐ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) ☐ Pension (Private and VA) ☐ Widow/Widower's Benefit ☐ Alimony ☐ Black Lung Pension ☐ Lump Sum payout from these sources	☐ Wages ☐ Active Military Pay	☐ Unemployment ☐ Utility Assistance ☐ Workers' Compensation ☐ Employment Disability Payout ☐ Strike Benefit	☐ Cash withdrawn from IRAs / Annuities / Other Investments ☐ Interest Income ☐ Lump Sum Payouts (Estate and Trust Settlements / Divorce Settlements / Insurance Payout / Lottery Winnings) ☐ Dividends ☐ Capital Gains ☐ Other	☐ Self-employment (includes owning own business, babysitting, home party sales, odd jobs, Ohio Electronic Child Care, etc.) ☐ Seasonal employment (includes teachers, construction workers, etc.)	
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Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	
Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	

Household Members and Income Section - continued

Fill out the table below for all household members. Use additional section (on page 4) as needed for other household members with income.

Full Name*		Social Security Number* ☐ Applying for Social Security Number		Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY)*	
Relationship to person applying					
Education and Employment Information ☐ Grade 0-8 ☐ Grade 9-12/Non-Graduate ☐ High School Graduate ☐ GED/Equivalency Diploma ☐ 12+ Some Post-Secondary* ☐ Unknown/not reported ☐ 2 or 4 years college graduate ☐ Graduate of other post-secondary school					
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Fixed Income		Earned Employment Income		Supplemental Income	
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Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	
Other Sources of Income*		Other Earned Income*		† These categories MUST provide 12 months of income documentation	
☐ Cash withdrawn from IRAs / Annuities / Other Investments ☐ Interest Income ☐ Lump Sum Payouts (Estate and Trust Settlements / Divorce Settlements / Insurance Payout / Lottery Winnings) ☐ Dividends ☐ Capital Gains ☐ Other		☐ Self-employment (includes owning own business, babysitting, home party sales, odd jobs, Ohio Electronic Child Care, etc.) ☐ Seasonal employment (includes teachers, construction workers, etc.)			
Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	
Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	

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Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	
Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	

Household Members and Income Section – Continued

Fill out the table below for additional household members. Print additional pages, as needed, for other household members with income.

Full Name*		Social Security Number* ☐ Applying for Social Security Number		Date of Birth (MM / DD / YYYY)*	
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Race		U.S. Citizen / Legal Resident (Qualified Alien)*		Do you currently have health insurance	
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Fixed Income		Earned Employment Income		Supplemental Income	
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Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	
* These categories MUST provide 12 months of income documentation					

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Race		U.S. Citizen / Legal Resident (Qualified Alien)*		Do you currently have health insurance	
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☐ Social Security ☐ Supplemental Security (SSI) ☐ Social Security Disability Insurance (SSDI) ☐ Pension (Private and VA) ☐ Widow/Widower's Benefit ☐ Alimony ☐ Black Lung Pension ☐ Lump Sum payout from these sources		☐ Wages ☐ Active Military Pay		☐ Unemployment ☐ Utility Assistance ☐ Workers' Compensation ☐ Employment Disability Payout ☐ Strike Benefit	
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Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$		Gross Income for the Past 30 Days \$	
Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$		Gross Income for the Past 12 Months \$	
* These categories MUST provide 12 months of income documentation					

Household Deductions Section*

Total Household Income Deductions (Choose all that apply)	☐ Attorney fees for estate or trust settlements	☐ Health Care Spending Accounts	☐ Reimbursement for work expenses
	☐ Child Support paid-out	☐ Medicaid Spend Down (deductibles)	☐ Self-employment IRS allowable business expenses
	☐ Health Insurance Premiums	☐ Medicare Premiums	☐ Short- and long-term disability
		☐ Prescription Plans	
Total Deductions for the past 30 Days \$		Total Deductions for the past 12 Months \$	

Please note: Documentation of deduction(s) is required.

Total Household Eligible Income Section*

Please add the total income received for each adult household member then subtract the total household deductions.

Total Household Income (add amounts from Household Income Section on pages 3 & 4)	Past 30 Days \$	Past 12 Months \$
Total Household Deductions (from Household Deductions Section on page 5)	Past 30 Days - \$	Past 12 Months - \$
Total Eligible Income	Total Household Income minus Total Household Deductions above \$	Total Household Income minus Total Household Deductions above \$
If applicable, please explain the difference in the past 30 days income from the past 12 months' income.		

Please note: Income from child support received and VA disabilities are not countable income. Documentation of excluded income may be required to complete your application.

Utility Information Section*

How do you heat your home?	☐ Natural Gas	☐ Fuel Oil or Kerosene	☐ Electric (includes baseboards)
	☐ Propane or Bottle Gas (L.P. Gas)	☐ Coal, Wood, or Pellets	☐ Other
Company/Vendor	Account Number	Costs included in rent? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Shared Meter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Account Holder's First Name	Account Holder's Last Name		Relationship to Primary Client
If you are currently enrolled in PIPP, do you wish to reverify on this account? ☐ Yes ☐ No		Do you wish to enroll in PIPP and do you have a regulated utility provider? ☐ Yes ☐ No	

Please provide your electric utility provider information (if not provided above):

Electric Company/Vendor	Account Number	Costs included in rent? ☐ Yes ☐ No	Shared Meter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Account Holder's First Name	Account Holder's Last Name		Relationship to Primary Client
If you are currently enrolled in PIPP, do you wish to reverify on this account? ☐ Yes ☐ No			
Do you wish to enroll in PIPP and do you have a regulated utility provider? ☐ Yes ☐ No			

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Terms of Agreement

- I agree**
- To pay my Percentage of Income Payment Plan Plus (PIPP) amount for my electric and/or natural gas service every month.
 - To go to my local energy assistance provider or to energyhelp.ohio.gov to reapply at least once a year with updated household information, and income documentation in order to remain eligible.
 - To contact my local energy assistance provider or go online to energyhelp.ohio.gov to report any changes to my total household income or number of household members, within 30 days of the change.
 - To accept any energy efficiency programs offered by Ohio Department of Job and Family Services or its designated providers, if eligible.
 - To allow my utility companies to release my name, address, telephone number, household member information, amount of my utility usage, and total past due amount to Ohio Department of Job and Family Services and agencies performing weatherization services and/or provide other energy related services.
 - To allow Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to release my name, address, telephone number, household member information, and current status to the utility companies, and other energy assistance providers.
 - To allow Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to share my usage and demographic data with organizations contracted by Ohio Job and Family Services to evaluate the programs administered by Ohio Job and Family Services.
- I understand**
- I will not be re-verified if I owe any PIPP payments. I must make up these payments by the next billing cycle, or the due date given to me by my utility companies.
 - If I miss three or more consecutive payments, I will receive a notice on my bill and have one billing cycle after the notice to make up payments or be dropped from PIPP.
 - If I do not re-verify my income at least once every 12 months, I will be dropped from PIPP.
 - If I do not make up missed PIPP payments by my stated anniversary date, I will be dropped from PIPP (I understand the PIPP verification and anniversary dates are printed on the utility bills each month).
 - If eligible for EPP, I agree and/or understand that enrollment to accept EPP services is required to maintain eligibility for PIPP Plus.
 - If I make my PIPP payments in full and on time every month, I will receive a credit for 1/24th of my total past-due amount, and I will not need to pay the difference between my PIPP payment and my actual bill amount.
 - If I reapply for PIPP and I am not eligible, or if I choose to be removed from PIPP, I can enroll in Graduate PIPP for up to 12 months after the date I am removed and still receive credits toward my past-due amounts owed on my utility accounts.
 - If I move out of the service area for my gas/electric company, I can enroll in the Post PIPP program to make payments on my closed account and receive credits toward the past-due amounts.
 - I am legally responsible for all past-due amounts on my gas and/or electric accounts and if I am no longer enrolled in PIPP, the past due amounts will become due. If these past-due amounts are not paid in full, the utility companies may use any standard means of collection for the past-due amounts on my accounts.
 - I may appeal if my application is not decided upon within 12 weeks. I also may appeal within 30 days if I disagree with my benefit amount or if I was denied assistance.

General Authorization

An applicant who provides inaccurate income or household composition information risks: being dropped from PIPP and/or other energy assistance programs; being ineligible to reapply for 24 months; having arrearage credits added back on to their utility bill; and/or receiving a bill from their utility (ies) for the full account balance.

I authorize the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation or any agent or employee designated by the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation as well as the Director of the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services or any designated agent or employee of the Director, or to the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation, or any agent or employee designated by the Tax Commissioner, all of my state of Ohio income tax information. The applicant expressly waives notice of the disclosure(s). The applicant expressly waives the confidentiality provisions of the Ohio Revised Code which might otherwise prohibit disclosure and agrees to hold the Ohio Department of Taxation, and the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, and their respective agents and employees harmless with respect to the disclosures herein. This authorization is to be liberally construed and interpreted; any ambiguity shall be resolved in favor of the Tax Commissioner of the Ohio Department of Taxation, and the Director of the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services.

I understand that by signing this application, I grant the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, or its authorized providers, access to my bank, employment, public assistance, utility company or other records needed for verification and evaluation of services. I further grant Ohio Department of Job and Family Services, or its authorized providers, access to any information that I have provided to any other state agency, including but not limited to income information regarding requests for public assistance. I understand that filling out this application does not guarantee that my household will receive assistance. If I am or become a PIPP customer I understand that I may be included in a group for which electric service is purchased in common. I understand that any authorized provider may rescind an approved payment if information is acquired which determines that my household is not eligible for services according to the rules of each program. I understand that I have the right to appeal. I certify that the information I have provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, a true, accurate and complete disclosure of the requested information. I understand that I may be held civilly and criminally liable under federal and state laws for knowingly making false or fraudulent statements.

I declare under penalty of perjury the information submitted in this application is true and correct.

Return this application to your local energy assistance provider.

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