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## Home Energy Assistance Program 2017

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Applications for home heating assistance are now available

As winter approaches, many of us are preparing for the drop in temperatures—and an increase in our home heating bills.

The cold can take a toll on many of our most vulnerable—including senior citizens and those on low or fixed incomes—who find themselves struggling with whether to keep the heat on, or have the money to pay for other necessities.

For those who find it difficult to manage home heating costs during winter, there is help. Recently, it was announced that more than \$327 million in funding is available to assist elderly and low and moderate income New Yorkers with staying warm during the colder months.

Applications are now available for the Home Energy Assistance Program, also known as HEAP. [Click here to see if you are eligible and to apply online.](#) Applications are also available at local department of social services offices—and you can find a location near you by [clicking here.](#)

As we know, winter can be brutally cold throughout our region. If you, or someone you know needs assistance with covering the cost of heating bills this winter, please take the time to see if you qualify for this program.