

# SHARING WARMTH

Energy Assistance Programs for Nicor Gas Customers



## Nicor Gas is committed to making a meaningful impact in the communities we serve.

Since its inception, the Nicor Gas Sharing Program program has provided financial assistance to more than 80,000 Illinois households.

### Nicor Gas Sharing Program

The Nicor Gas Sharing Program provides qualifying households with monetary relief for their natural gas bills. Eligibility is based on several factors, including household size and income.

The Nicor Gas Sharing Program is administered by the Salvation Army and funded through direct contributions from Nicor Gas customers and employees. To apply, contact a Salvation Army listed at [nicorgas.com/energyassistance](http://nicorgas.com/energyassistance) or call **773.205.3520**.

See [nicorgas.com/energyassistance](http://nicorgas.com/energyassistance) for most current eligibility guidelines.

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1	\$1,485	\$2,475	\$2,970
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3	\$2,520	\$4,200	\$5,040
4	\$3,038	\$5,063	\$6,075
5	\$3,555	\$5,925	\$7,110
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7	\$4,591	\$7,652	\$9,183
8	\$5,111	\$8,519	\$10,223

Sharing grants will be available for eligible customers who meet the guidelines for the following situations:

### Crisis Situations and Veterans

New to the Sharing program this year are special programs designed for veterans and customers in crisis situations. For more information please contact: **773.205.3520** or visit the website [nicorgas.com/energyassistance](http://nicorgas.com/energyassistance)

### Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program

Qualified low-income households can receive eatherization assistance to save energy and money. Call **877.411.9276** for more information.

## Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides qualifying households with monetary relief for energy bills. Eligibility is based on several factors, including household size and income. Funds are provided in one lump sum from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity.

To qualify for LIHEAP, a household's combined income for the 30 days prior to application must be at or below a certain level. For renters, heat and/or electric must be included in the rent, and rent must be greater than 30 percent of total income in order to be eligible for benefits. To apply, contact one of the local agencies listed in this brochure.

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### Percentage of Income Payment Plan (PIPP)

Eligible Nicor Gas customers pay a percentage of their monthly income to maintain utility service. PIPP offers an affordable payment plan and a chance to eliminate past-due balances.

For income guidelines information please see the chart above or visit [nicorgas.com/energyassistance](http://nicorgas.com/energyassistance)

### Assistance for Activated Military Personnel

Nicor Gas offers a package of benefits to assist activated guard and reservists who reside in our service territory. Call **888.Nicor4U (642.6748)** for more information.

### Payment Arrangements

Customers behind on their natural gas bill payments may be eligible to make a payment arrangement. A down payment is required, and the remainder of the balance is spread out over four to six months and then added to the current monthly balance. To check eligibility and enroll, call **888.Nicor4U (642.6748)**.

## LOCAL AGENCIES

**Community Action Partnership of Central Illinois**  
217.732.2159  
capcil.org  
County Served: Dewitt

**Northwestern Illinois Community Action Agency**  
815.232.3141  
nicaa.org  
Counties Served: JoDavies and Stephenson

**Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County, Inc.**  
312.456.4100  
cedaorg.net  
County Served: Cook

**Project NOW**  
309.793.6391  
projectnow.org  
Counties Served: Henry, Mercer and Rock Island

**Community Contacts, Inc.**  
847.697.4400 (Kane)  
815.758.3835 (DeKalb)  
cci-hci.org  
Counties Served: DeKalb and Kane

**DuPage County Department of Human Resources**  
630.407.6500  
dupageco.org  
County Served: DuPage

**Tazwood Community Services**  
309.694.4391  
tazwoodcs.org  
Counties Served: Tazewell and Woodford

**East Central Illinois Community Action Agency**  
217.443.2705  
comaction.org  
Counties Served: Ford, Iroquois and Vermillion

**Tri-County Opportunities Council**  
800.323.5434  
tcohelps.com  
Counties Served: Bureau,

**Rockford Human Services Department**  
815.987.5711  
rockfordil.gov/human-services.aspx  
Counties Served: Boone and Winnebago Carroll, LaSalle, Lee, Marshall, Ogle, Putnam, Stark and Whiteside

**Kankakee County Community Services, Inc.**  
815.933.7883  
kccsi-cap.org  
County Served: Kankakee

**Two Rivers Regional Council of Public Officials**  
217.224.8171  
trrcopo.org  
Counties served: Brown, Pike and Schuyler

**Kendall-Grundy Community Action**  
630.553.9100 (Kendall),  
815.941.3262 (Grundy)  
health.co.kendall.il.us  
Counties Served: Grundy and Kendall

**Champaign County Regional Planning Commission**  
217.384.1226  
ccrpc.org  
County Served: Champaign

**Community Action Partnership of Lake County**  
847.249.4330  
caplakecounty.org  
County Served: Lake

**Western Illinois Regional Council**  
309.837.2997  
wirpc.org  
Counties Served: Hancock and Henderson

**McHenry County Housing Authority**  
815.338.7752  
mchenrycountyhousing.org  
County Served: McHenry

**Will County Center for Community Concerns**  
815.722.0722  
wcccc.net  
County Served: Will

**Mid-Central Community Action, Inc.**  
309.829.0691  
mccainc.org  
Counties Served: Livingston and McLean

## EASY WAYS TO SAVE AT HOME

Try out a new tip each day – you'll be surprised at how easy it is to save!

- Check your dryer vent to be sure it is not blocked. This will save energy and may prevent a fire.
- Close fireplace dampers when not in use; this will prevent air from entering and escaping your home.
- Set your water heater to 120 degrees.
- Take shorter showers; ENERGY STAR® recommends 5-7 minute showers.
- Look for ENERGY STAR® appliances and other products. ENERGY STAR® products meet strict efficiency guidelines set by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Department of Energy.

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Programas de Asistencia de Energía para los clientes de Nicor Gas



## Nicor Gas se compromete a hacer un impacto significativo en las comunidades que servimos

Desde su creación, el Programa para Compartir de Nicor Gas ha proporcionado asistencia financiera a más de 80,000 hogares en Illinois.

### El Programa para Compartir de Nicor Gas

El Programa para Compartir de Nicor Gas proporciona los hogares que califiquen con alivio monetario para sus facturas de gas natural. La elegibilidad se basa en varios factores, como el tamaño del hogar y el ingreso.

Administrado por el Ejército de Salvación, este programa proporciona ayuda financiera una vez al año a aquellos clientes residenciales que no califican para recibir asistencia gubernamental federal. Para aplicar, comuníquese con un Ejército de Salvación en su área o llame al **773.205.3520**.

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Compartir subvenciones estará disponible para los clientes elegibles que cumplen con las directrices para las siguientes situaciones:

### Situaciones de Crisis y Veteranos

Nuevo en el programa de compartir de este año son programas especiales diseñados para los veteranos y clientes en situaciones de crisis. Para obtener más información, póngase en contacto: **773.205.3520** o visite [nicorgas.com/energyassistance](http://nicorgas.com/energyassistance).

### Programa de Asistencia de Climatización de Casas en Illinois (IHWAP)

IHWAP ofrece servicios de climatización para hogares de bajos ingresos. Para más información, llame al **877.411.9276**.

### El Programa de Asistencia Energética para Hogares de Bajos Ingresos (LIHEAP)

El Programa de Asistencia Energética para Hogares de Bajos Ingresos (LIHEAP), administrado por el Departamento de Comercio e Oportunidad Económica de Illinois, está diseñado para ayudar a hogares elegibles de bajos ingresos a pagar por los servicios de suministro de energía. La elegibilidad se basa en diversos factores, incluyendo el número de integrantes, ubicación e ingresos del hogar.

Para calificar para LIHEAP, los ingresos de la vivienda durante los 30 días anteriores a la fecha de su solicitud no deben superar el nivel del ingreso mensual como se muestra a continuación. Si usted alquila y desea recibir este beneficio, su calefacción y/o electricidad deben ser incluido en su pago de renta y ser mayores de el 30% de sus ingresos. Para aplicar, póngase en contacto con una de las agencias locales que figuran en este folleto.

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### Plan de Pago de Porcentaje de Ingresos (PIPP)

El Programa PIPP, permite a los clientes elegibles pagar un porcentaje de sus ingresos mensuales para mantener su servicio público. El programa está diseñado para proporcionar a los clientes un plan de nivel de pago asequible y la posibilidad de eliminar los saldos vencidos.

Para requisitos de elegibilidad vea la grafica en la parte de arriba.

### Asistencia para Personal Militar en Servicio Activo

Nicor Gas ofrece un paquete de beneficios para ayudar a miembros activos en el servicio de la guardia nacional y reservista que residen en nuestro territorio de servicio. Llame al **888.Nicor4U (642.6748)** para más información.

### Arreglos de Pago

Si usted está atrasado en sus pagos de la cuenta del gas natural, puede ser elegible para un arreglo de pago. Se requiere un enganche, y su cantidad restante se le cargará a través de cuatro meses, y se incluirá en su equilibrio mensual actual. Para inscribirse o establecer elegibilidad, llámenos al **888.Nicor4U (642.6748)**.

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### Maneras fáciles de ahorrar en casa

Prueba un nuevo consejo cada día – usted se sorprenderá lo fácil que es ahorrar!

- Revise su secadora de ventilación para asegurarse de que no esté bloqueada. Esto le ahorrará energía y puede evitar un incendio.
- Establezca su calentador de agua a 120 grados..
- Tome baños mas cortos; ENERGY STAR® recomienda bañarse 5-7 minutos.
- Busque electrodomésticos Energy Star y otros productos que cumplan con estrictas normas de ahorro.

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