

2018-2019 Heat and Energy Assistance

Do you have a past due electric or heating bill? Is your deliverable fuel tank below 20% Do you have less than 30-days supply of wood or pellets?

NO: You do NOT have an emergency and cannot yet apply for assistance.

YES: My bill is past due.

Are you seeking help with a Cherryland Electric or Traverse City Light & Power past due bill?

YES: You do NOT have an emergency.

These providers will not order shut-offs until April 2019. Pay down the bill as much as possible to avoid a high balance in April.

NO: I need help for a different utility company.

If this is your first request for this energy type for this season apply for State Emergency Relief (SER) through the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). Apply online at www.michigan.gov/mibridges or you can complete a paper application by visiting your local DHHS office.

Was your SER request approved?

YES: But I need help with the co-payment amount.

FFF is not able to assist with DHHS co-pays. Visit your mibridges account or call DHHS and ask to be referred to a MEAP provider in your county (TrueNorth or Salvation Army). Note: St. Vincent de Paul does NOT have MEAP funds this year.

NO: DHHS has already assisted me with this type of utility this energy season.

Visit your mibridges account or call DHHS and ask to be referred a MEAP agency partner. FFF is not able to assist if you qualify for MEAP funding.

NO: My income and assets are too high or my co-payment is equal or greater to amount needed to resolve the emergency.

You can bring your DHHS SER Decision Notice and past due bill to the Father Fred Foundation and request assistance.