

NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDERS PUBLIC HEARING ON THE
NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

NJ STATE PLAN and GRANT APPLICATION FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2024
FOR THE LOW-INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Please take notice that the New Jersey Department of Community Affairs, Division of Housing and Community Resources, Office of Low-Income Energy Conservation, will conduct a Stakeholder Public hearing regarding the New Jersey Model Plan for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services FFY2024 Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and changes to the State LIHEAP Handbook.

The purpose of this consultation is to accept comment on the proposed increase of (1) Furnace Repairs from Up to a maximum of \$2,500.00 to up to a maximum of \$3,500.00; (2) Emergency Assistance (Crisis Assistance) from \$1,000.00 to \$1,500.00 and Cooling Assistance from \$300.00 to \$500.00 and to include these changes in the State LIHEAP Handbook.

The Public Hearing will be held in **Room 129, DCA Building at 101 South Broad Street, Trenton, NJ 08625 on Wednesday, August 30, 2023, at 10:30am**. Please kindly indicate your interest to participate to fidel.ekhelar@dca.nj.gov before the close of business on Friday, August 25, 2023.

The Public Hearing is being held pursuant to Section 2605 of the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981 as amended by the Human Services Reauthorization Act of 1986.

The Model Plan and State LIHEAP Handbook have been posted on the Department's website and can be accessed by using the following links:

Those interested in providing inputs during the Meeting are required to submit a written copy of their comments prior to the meeting.

Additional comments for consideration may be submitted by mailing the document to the address listed below:

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