

Appendix I – Benefit Maximums

LIHEAP Regular Assistance Payment Matrix for FY26

1. Poverty Level*	Points
0 – 75%	8
76 – 100%	6
101 – 125%	5
126 – 200%	4
Over 200%	Ineligible

*Note: Poverty levels of .01% are rounded up to the next percentage

2. Targeting Factors

Fixed Income Only (no other sources of income)	1
Elderly (60 years of age and older)	1
Disabled	1
Children (under 6 years of age in the household)	1
Detached Dwelling	1
Subsidized Housing	-2
5-Plexes (or more than 5)	-1
Heating Included in Rent	-4
Over \$50,000 in Savings	-4

3. Fuel/Energy Type

Natural Gas	4
Electric	4
Liquid Propane (LP)	5
Fuel Oil	5
Solid Fuel (Wood/Coal/Corn)	2

Award Calculation – FY26

\$40 per point determined by total funding and expected # of participating households
The minimum benefit an approved LIHEAP customer may receive is \$80, and the maximum is \$800.

All income shall be verified for each household member based on a 30-day, 60-day, or 12-month period and annualized as defined by the program to estimate the total annual household income for the Program Year of application

The minimum Regular Assistance benefit for liquid propane and fuel oil LIHEAP customers is \$800

ECIP Crisis Assistance Maximums for FY26

Type of Funding Year: (refer to [section 15.20](#) for related operational rules)

FY26 - Single Award - Standard Model

ECIP Bill Pay Services & Maximums: (waiver eligible)

The services listed below have a shared maximum for FY26 of \$800.00

- Service Continuity
- Reconnection
- Low Tank – Emergency Delivery
- Empty Tank – Emergency Delivery

ECIP Primary Heating Equipment Services & Maximums: (waiver eligible)

The services listed below have a shared maximum for FY26 of \$4,000.00

- Primary Heating Unit Repair
- Primary Heating Unit Replacement

ECIP Primary Heating Equipment Inspection Maximum: (not waiver eligible)

The service listed below has a separate maximum for FY26 of \$200.00

- Heating Unit Replacement Inspection Fee

ECIP Emergency Cooling Services & Maximums:

The services listed below have a shared maximum for FY26 of \$500.00

- Central AC Unit Repair (waiver eligible)
- Central AC Unit Replacement (not waiver eligible)
- Window AC Units or other types of portable cooling units
- Fans

ECIP – Other Low-Cost Measures & Maximums: (not waiver eligible)

The services listed below have a shared maximum for FY26 of \$300.00

- Space Heaters or other types of portable heating units
- Blankets or warm clothing, plastic window coverings, heating unit filters, etc.

ECIP Temporary Shelter Service & Maximum: (waiver eligible)

The service listed below has a separate maximum for FY26 of \$500.00

- Temporary Shelter