

Program: HEAP Fuel Assistance	NOTICE # 2025-HEAP-01
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In this Notice: Energy Crisis Intervention Program and HEAP benefits**1. Information**

MaineHousing issued a press release advising of the delay to the start of the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP). ECIP typically begins on November 1 and is part of the Low-Income Heating Assistance Program (LIHEAP) which relies on federal funds that have not yet been authorized due to the shutdown.

Regular HEAP Fuel Assistance benefits are also impacted by the shutdown. Although MaineHousing typically issues regular HEAP Benefits in mid-November, we do not have Notice of Funding Award and do not have an anticipated start date. MaineHousing will update Vendors when we are able to move forward with payments.

2. Notice Contact

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