Duke Energy HEA Slots Program

Duke Energy’s HEA program is a slots-based program. This means that there are limited slots for each county and for each benefit type. Approved applicants are approved to be added to the waitlist and may be prioritized for a slot if one is available in their county and they meet all eligibility requirements. Applicants are selected from the waitlist based on lowest income first. An approved application is not a guarantee of a benefit.

Eligibility:

- Household income must be at or below **200% Percentage of Poverty**
- Must be an active residential customer of Duke Energy with service connected at the residence where benefits will be credited
- Must provide the utility with access for monthly meter readings
- Does not reside in a multi-unit single metered building

Benefits:

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Enrollment:

- Clients on the waitlist who are selected for a slot are sent to the utility. The utility will verify the client is eligible for the program and either enroll them or reject them based on their determination.
- Once enrolled, clients should expect to receive a communication from Duke Energy informing them of their enrollment.
- Once enrolled, it is possible to be removed from the program. If the account that was used to apply is disconnected, the account will be removed from the program by the utility. There will be no notification if a client is removed.
- If service is moved to a new address, the original account number used to receive benefits is **closed** and no longer receiving benefits. Clients who move may reapply to the program with their new account number and household information if it is determined that they were removed from the program. The new application will be subject to all eligibility requirements and will not be prioritized for enrollment.

Help:

- For an update on the status of the application, clients can contact their Community Action office where they applied and be informed of their status (Approved, Waitlist, Enrolled, Rejected, Removed)
- If a client is enrolled but has questions about their credits or bill, they should contact Duke Energy.
Duke Energy HEA Crisis Program

Duke’s crisis style program is a first come, first serve program that begins taking applications in January. LIHEAP intake and income documentation standards apply to HEA crisis programs.

Eligibility:

- Household income must be at or below **200% Percentage of Poverty**
- The household is responsible for home energy costs for an eligible energy type for the utility that they are applying for.
- Must not be disconnected or work with the utility to be reconnected.
- Must have a past due balance, a disconnection notice, or a defined hardship event such as loss of job or unplanned medical expense.

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*Application window applies only as long as funds are available*

Help:

- For an update on the status of the application, clients can contact their Community Action office where they applied and be informed of their status (Approved, Denied)
- If a client has questions about their energy charges or bill, they should contact Duke Energy.