

## CLALLAM COUNTY COUNTYWIDE UTILITY ASSISTANCE 2012

### **Discounts are available on electric bills as follows:**

**PUD – 457-0411:** Low Income and disabled – income must be below 125% of the federal poverty guidelines. Seniors age 62 and older with annual income not to exceed \$25,000.

**PA City Utilities – 452-9771:** Low income Utility discount to all utility accounts whose combined household income is \$3,375.00 or less for previous three months prior to application date.

**Olympic Community Action Program (OlyCAP) – 452-4726, 228 W 1<sup>st</sup> St.,**

**8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., M-F:** LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) for incomes less than 125% of federal poverty level – Persons interested in receiving LIHEAP are solely responsible for scheduling their appointments online at: [www.olycap.org](http://www.olycap.org). New Appointments become available online every week on Mondays at 12:30 pm. Requires Social Security number verification for primary and secondary account holders, identification for all other household members, proof of income for previous three months for all household members, and proof of residence or utility account.

**With a disconnect notice and income less than 150% of federal poverty level, funds of \$100-\$200 may be available through the following:**

**Pass-the-Buck** – PA City Utilities fund generated by customer donations.

**Ratepayer** – PUD funds generated by customer donations.

**Sequim Community Aid – 681-3731 (Sequim only):** Assistance as resources allow with deposit and help with a shut off notice - Contact by telephone.

**St. Vincent de Paul (Port Angeles – 457-5804, Sequim – 683-2112):** Assistance as resources allow. Contact by telephone. Call back if no response to message.

**M.A.N.N.A. (Port Angeles only) – 457-3954, 139 W. 8<sup>th</sup> (enter from rear of building), 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. (Thursday only):** Assistance as resources allow. Appointments preferred.

**Senior Information & Assistance – 452-3221 – 411 West Washington in Sequim:** Emergency Assistance Fund (*payer of last resort*) can provide limited assistance to individuals 60 years of age or greater who need to raise funds to cover utility costs (emergency assistance funds cover a myriad of seniors' needs).

**Veterans Assistance (417-2597), 223 E 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Room 059 (Basement) 2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Mon-Fri:** Funds available as resources allow. Disconnect notice required. Must live in state more than one year, be a resident of Clallam County, and have income less than 150% of federal poverty level.

**Lauridsen Trust Foundation , 452-8282:** Assistance for widows who own property.

**Port Angeles Community Services (DSHS) – 565-2180, 201 W. 1st St. 8:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m.,**

**Mon-Fri:** Some funds may be available to those participating in the TANF program. Individuals should contact their caseworker. If there are no funds for utility assistance, the client may qualify for Food Assistance thus freeing up some funds that they could use to pay for utilities.

**TRIBAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS:** Many tribes also offer assistance to enrolled members living away from the tribal center (for example, a Quileute member living to Port Angeles).

**Lower Elwha Klallam Tribal Assistance – 452-8471, 2851 Lower Elwha Road:** Some assistance for tribal members with no income restrictions. The tribe also administers LIHEAP and CITGO utility assistance programs, which have qualification requirements. If tribal members exhaust the LIHEAP program, they can also apply through OlyCAP. TANF program also provides assistance to those who qualify.

**Jamestown S’Klallam Tribal Assistance – 683-1109, 1033 Old Blyn Highway:** Assistance up to \$235 possible for tribal members with income less than 150% of federal poverty level, through the CITGO Assistance program. The tribe also administers a LIHEAP program. If tribal members exhaust the LIHEAP program, they can also apply through OlyCAP. (No TANF program).

**Quileute Tribal Assistance – 360-374-5185:** The tribe administers LIHEAP and CITGO funds for enrolled tribal members. TANF program also provides assistance to those who qualify.

**Makah Tribal Assistance - (360) 645-3254:** The tribe administers LIHEAP and CITGO funds for enrolled tribal members. TANF program also provides assistance to those who qualify.

**Faith Communities:** Some churches may provide assistance to their members who have encountered problems.

#### **Serenity House, Housing Resource Centers**

**Port Angeles Housing Resource Center – 565-5041, 535 E. 1st Street**

**Sequim Housing Resource Center – 477-4918, 203 N. Sequim Ave (office off of Cedar Street)**

**West End Housing Resource Center – 374-2558, 91 Maple Ave, Forks**

Two utility programs available: 1) Utility deposit or shut off prevention assistance for homeless or at risk Veterans who make 50% or below the median income for Clallam County. 2) Clallam County residents that qualify for the HEN (Housing and Essential Needs) program. Eligibility is determined through DSHS for MCS (Medical Care Services) a medical disability program with no cash assistance.

**Help Line - Peninsulas’ 211:** For information about all forms of health and humans service resources in Clallam County, dial 211.

**CONSERVATION & WEATHERIZATION PROGRAMS:** For many individuals, weatherizing their homes or adopting conservation strategies can greatly reduce their utility bill. Some families may be eligible for assistance with conservation and/or weatherization.

**Port Angeles City Utilities Conservation – 417-4718.**

**PUD Conservation – 452-9771 x 249.**

**OlyCAP Weatherization Programs – 452-9440.**

**BUDGETING AND FINANCIAL LITERACY PROGRAMS:** Often families and individuals can learn some very good ideas on how to get more out of their money by attending either a workshop or meeting one on one with one of the agencies listed below:

**Parent Line** – 301 E. Lopez 452-5437 – Classes and one on one help.

**Housing Resource Centers** – 535 E. First Street, PA, 565-5041; 203 N Sequim Ave, Sequim – 477-4918, 51 N. Forks Ave, Forks – 374-2558 – One on one assistance.

**OlyCAP** – 228 W. 1<sup>st</sup> St, PA – 452-4726 – Workshop and one on one assistance.