

## FUEL ASSISTANCE

2012-2013

Known commonly as Fuel Assistance, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides eligible households with help in paying a portion of winter heating bills.

This program provides assistance through a fixed benefit amount for the cost of the primary source of heat which includes, but is not limited to:

Oil	Natural Gas
Propane	Electricity
Kerosene	Coal
Wood	

Applications for year 2012-2013 heating season are now available at the Ludlow Senior Center. **Applications are taken on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays BY APPOINTMENT ONLY for those over 60 years of age and living in Ludlow.**

### **Eligibility:**

In order to be eligible for the Fuel Assistance Program, your family income has to be at or below 60% of Estimated State Median Income.

You will need to bring the following documentation in order to fill out your application completely, without **all** of the documentation your application can not be mailed in:

-Proof of Fixed Income: If you have Social Security benefits, you will need a copy of one of the following documents: A copy of your benefits letter, copy of a recent check, or if direct deposit, a letter from your bank stating what the direct deposit amount is. For all other income (pension, interest, dividends) you must have a copy of your award letter, copy of check or a letter from the bank stating the source and the amount received.

-Unemployment – copies of stubs from the last 4 consecutive pay periods.

-Heating, Electric & Telephone Bills- the complete bill with the account numbers.

-2012/2013 - Sewer/Water bill or Tax bill or House insurance bill

-If renting – landlord information: name, address and telephone number.

-If working – 4 consecutive pay stubs prior to your application date.

You may also apply for assistance if your heat is included in your rent.

Fuel assistance starts November 1, 2012 and you can apply through April 29, 2013.

***Unfortunately, appointments are only being accepted for those over 60 years of age at this time.***