Public Notice: LIHEAP Block Grant Plan

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program provides heating, crisis and weatherization assistance. States are given broad latitude under block grant funding to design and operate their own programs, under certain restrictions.

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is seeking public comment on the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program Block Grant Plan, which outlines how the federal LIHEAP block grant funds will be spent in North Carolina during federal fiscal year 2023-2024. The Administration of Children and Families allowed North Carolina the option to clone its plan from last year while the department reviews its Federal Compliance Report for any revisions to the plan that may be needed. Any revisions will be announced and reposted for public comment.

The plan may be viewed from Sept. 1-7, 2023, at the following locations:

- On the Division of Social Services website: <u>DSS Public Notices Website</u>
- On all 100 county DSS websites: <u>County DSS Directory</u>

A public hearing webinar will take place at 3 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023, to go over the block grant plan and address and any questions, comments or concerns. Please use the link below to register:

• https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3357081012488071511

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Comments will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 7, 2023. Comments can be emailed to Jasmyne Simmons at <u>Jasmyne.Simmons@dhhs.nc.gov.</u>