

SARATOGA COUNTY

Services

Child Protective 884-4151  
 Preventive 884-4152  
 Foster Care 884-4157  
 Family/Adult 884-4159  
 Fraud 884-4163  
 Support/Collection 884-4142

Eligibility

SNAP 884-4155  
 HEAP 884-4146  
 Medicaid 884-4148  
 Temporary Assist. 884-4144  
 Managed Care 884-4153



Tina Potter  
 Commissioner

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Patrick Maxwell  
 Deputy Commissioner

October 26, 2015

Kevin Tollisen  
 Saratoga County Board of Supervisors  
 40 McMaster Street  
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Dear Supervisor Tollisen:

The Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) for the 2015-16 year is scheduled to commence on Monday, November 16, 2015 for regular benefits and close on March 16, 2016. The emergency benefit component will open January 4, 2016 and remain open through March 16, 2016. Although there are established closing dates they are contingent on available funding. The Furnace Repair/Replacement component is scheduled to open November 9, 2015 with no definite closing date at this time.

The Office for Temporary Disability Assistance (ODTA) has developed the 2015-16 State Plan based on federal funding projections for LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) funding. The HEAP benefit amounts remain the same as last year.

Until the HEAP program is operational, any household facing an energy related crisis will be served through our Temporary Assistance emergency programs.

Regular and emergency grant applications will be accepted Monday through Friday 9-5pm at the Department of Social Services. Mail-in and on-line application acceptance will be available prior to the opening of the program to households that received a 2014-15 benefit and contain a vulnerable member- either a member over 60 years of age, certain individuals that are disabled or children under 6 years of age. After the official opening of the program, mail-in and on-line access is available to all households.

As in previous years, the Office for the Aging will accept and process applications for disabled adults and the over 60 population.

Most households in receipt of recurring Family Assistance, Safety Net Assistance, SNAP and select SSI recipients are categorically income eligible to receive a HEAP grant. Households not categorically eligible must meet gross income guidelines for the month of application.

Kevin Tollisen  
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I have enclosed a summary sheet of the 2015-16 HEAP Program highlights for reference when assisting your constituents with energy related issues.

If you have any questions about this year's HEAP Program, please feel free to contact me at 884-4140.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tina Potter". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Tina Potter  
Commissioner

## 2015-2016 HEAP Program

- 2015-2016 Home Energy Assistance Program opens November 16, 2015

- Income Eligibility

<u>Household Size</u>	<u>Monthly Income</u>
1	\$2,244
2	\$2,935
3	\$3,625
4	\$4,316
5	\$5,006
6	\$5,697
7	\$5,826
8	\$5,956
9	\$6,085
10	\$6,215
11	\$6,671

- Regular Benefit Amounts

- Deliverable Fuels (Oil, Kerosene and Propane) - \$575
- Deliverable Wood products (wood, pellets, coal, corn) - \$500
- Utilities/Municipal Electric Heat - \$350

- Applications

- Mail
- Fax
- On-line
- Office drop off