

Missouri Extends Assistance

Child Care & Energy Assistance Programs Extend Benefits

Child Care Subsidy

If you have an eligible school-aged student who is not attending school in person, the Department of Social Services is extending fulltime child care subsidy benefits through December 31, 2020. The extension of this benefit, effective beginning September 1, ensures children remain safe and supervised during the school day and supports working parents to meet the demands of their jobs and stay employed.

To increase your benefit:

Contact the Family Support Division by calling
855-FSD-INFO (855-373-4636).

If you are not receiving benefits and have a school-aged student not attending school in person, you can apply by:

1. Going [online](#)
2. Completing the [Child Care Application](#) and mailing it to your [local Family Support Division office](#) .
3. Contacting the Family Support Division at **855-FSD-INFO (855-373-4636)**.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

If you are in crisis and need assistance with your summer cooling bills, you now have until October 31, 2020 to apply for the [Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program](#) (LIHEAP). This allows low-income Missourians more time to apply for the summer cooling program and remain safe in their homes.

The Department of Social Services also increased the income level for Missourians to qualify for help and added the option to apply online.

To apply for LIHEAP, complete and submit one [application form](#) online for your household. You can also mail or fax the completed paper application form to the office serving your community listed on last page of the application.

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