Resources for Families

1. Central MO Community Actions 573-443-1100 ext. 1104
http://showmeaction.org/

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The Missouri Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program has two components, Energy Assistance (EA) and the Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP), that make up the program. Since both are a part of the LIHEAP program the eligibility requirements for them are the same, including the requirement that applicants be at or under 135% of the established poverty guidelines to receive assistance. During the 2008 fiscal year, CMCA helped 9,354 clients across our eight county service area to keep or turn their utilities back on through ECIP.

Energy Assistance

EA is a one time payment program operating in the winter season from November to March with a stipulation that those who are either elderly or disabled may apply in October. The benefit level is bases on household size, income level, age and disability. It is not necessary to be in crisis to receive assistance through EA.

Energy Crisis Intervention Program (ECIP)

ECIP has a winter and a summer season. Like EA, the winter season starts in October for those who are either elderly or disabled, or November for all other applicants, and runs through May. Applicants must have a disconnection notice or be shut off before assistance is provided. Applicants can receive up to $800 in the winter and $300 during the summer season, provided there are funds available. Clients may get assistance as many times as needed, provided they have a shut off notice and have not reached their maximum benefit levels for that season.

LIHEAP Eligibility Criteria

- **Citizenship** - Must be a United States citizen or alien admitted for permanent residence
- **Resources** - Household resources cannot exceed $3000, unless resources are restricted or inaccessible
- **Responsibility for Home Energy Costs** - The head of household or spouse must provide proof that the account with the household energy supplier is in their name or be a renter or landlord applicant and incur the energy costs
- **Termination/Threat of Termination** - Must have a shut off notice or already have service terminated to receive ECIP funds
- **Income Based on Household Size** - Household income cannot exceed 125% of the Federal Poverty Level

2. New Life Evangelistic Center 875-0603

http://www.newlifeevangelisticcenter.org/contact-nlec/

New Life Evangelistic Center, Inc.
1411 Locust St
Saint Louis, MO 63103

Phone: (314) 421-3020
Toll Free: 1-800-334-3276
Fax: (314) 421-1702

3. Shepherd's Basket (food donation)

http://www.littlebonnefemmeba.com/ministries.php?id=5253&
Open: Mondays and Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 p.m.
Location: Calvary Baptist Church 606 Ridgeway Ave, Columbia, MO 65203
Policy: Clients are checked for eligibility by their income level per family size and how often they have received help. Our current policy is to serve a family once every month.

4. Salvation Army

http://www.usc.salvationarmy.org/usc/www_usc_midland.nsf/vw-sublinks/CADA808449779872862572880004E989B?openDocument

1108 W. Ash St., Columbia, Mo. 65203-2103
442-3229

- Emergency Shelter
- Food & Nutrition Programs

5. The Wardrobe

715 Park Ave., Columbia, MO
573-442-3260

*If you are able to get a referral, you can receive free donations of clothes on Tuesday's.

6. Voluntary Action Center

http://www.vacmo.org/

403A Vandiver Dr., Columbia, MO
573-874-2273
Monday-Friday 9 a.m. – Noon and 1-4 p.m.

Family Assistance and Emergency Services

VAC provides financial assistance with basic and emergency needs to low income people in Boone County. These services are provided as long as funds are available and are subject to annual family limits and casework evaluations. Examples of these basic emergency services include:

- Prescription medications or small medical equipment
- Emergency food
- Emergency shelter for families if area shelters are full
- Bus tickets or gasoline for new jobs or medical appointments
- Car seats for newborns
- Minor auto repair for employed persons
- Uniform clothing as required to begin employment at a new job
- Baby formula to last until the first WIC appointment
- Missouri birth certificates, IDs and Driver's Licenses
- Hygiene items, diapers, small household items
- College registration/application fees

7. City Health Dept 874-7355
http://www.gocolumbiamo.com/Health/
1005 W Worley St
Columbia, MO 65203

8. Boone County Family Resources 573-874-1995

1209 East Walnut
Columbia, Missouri 65201
(573) 874-1995
http://www.bcfr.org/

Individually Planned Services & Supports

The agency purchases and provides individually planned support services. From newborns to the elderly, service plans vary greatly, but all are designed to connect individuals with developmental disabilities to the supports they need. Agency Support Coordinators help eligible persons plan, locate, refer and coordinate services with other community agencies. We authorize individually planned supports and services to be purchased by the County Board and the Department of Mental Health and Medicaid Home and Community based Waiver. Through the Individual Plans we are also able to authorize services to be purchased by other funding sources.

- Assistive Technology Services / Devices
- Audiology Services
- Behavioral Therapy
- Crisis Intervention Services
  - Crisis Attendant Services
  - Crisis Counseling Services
  - Crisis Homemaker Services
  - Crisis Housing Assistance
- Day Habilitation Services
- Deaf Interpretation Services
- Developmental Disability Education
- Developmental Therapy
- Environmental Accessibility Adaptations
- Home-Based Support Services
- Home Modifications
- Language Interpretation Service

- Mental Health Evaluation
- Miscellaneous Individual Supports
- Nutrition Services
- Occupational Therapy and Evaluation
- Personal Assistant Services
- Physical Therapy and Evaluation
- School to Work
- Specialized Medical Equipment & Supplies
- Speech Therapy and Evaluation
- Summer Teen Assistance
- Supported Employment
- Therapeutic Recreation
- Toileting Supplies
- Transportation
- Vocational Transition Services