

### STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

### **Executive Council**

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DATE: October 5, 2022

TO: All District Three Constituents

FROM: Executive Councilor Janet Stevens

RE: NH EMERGENCY FUEL AND ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM - REGISTER TODAY

# EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR SECURES \$15,034,547 IN STATE EMERGENCY FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND STATE SUPPLEMENTAL ELECTRIC BENEFITS FOR **DISTRICT THREE**

I am pleased to announce that an additional \$15,034,547 for fuel and electric assistance has been awarded to District Three.

#20A Authorize to enter into a sole source contract with Southern New Hampshire Services, Inc., Manchester, NH, in the amount of \$15,034,547, with \$10,738,962 for the State Emergency Fuel Assistance Program and \$4,295,585 for the State Supplemental Electric Benefit Program. (2) Further authorize to advance \$1,503,455 from contract amount. Effective upon G&C approval through June 30, 2023. 100% General Funds.

The legislature recently approved \$25 million in state General Funds for the State Emergency Fuel Assistance Program (SEFAP) and \$10 million in General Funds for the State Supplemental Electric Benefit Programs (SSEBP).

Residents who are within the 61% to 75% State Median Income range are eligible for one time funding - \$450 benefit for fuel from the SEFAP and \$200 benefit for electric bills from the SSEBP.

Southern New Hampshire Services, the Community Action Program administering the funding for the State program for District Three, encourages all District Three residents who believe they might be at or below 75% of State Median Income to apply – disbursements are anticipated for December.

Any residents who apply and are below the 60% State Median Income will be enrolled in the Fuel Assistance Program (FAP). Anyone residents who apply and are between 61%-75% State Median Income, which does not meet the regular fuel assistance guidelines, will be in the system and ready to be enrolled in the new Emergency State Program with a benefit being paid out as early as December.

See information below on how to apply. As always – please call me at 603-436-1645 if I can assist.

## SOUTHERN NH SERVICES (https://www.snhs.org)

Southern New Hampshire Services is the Community Action Program for District Three/Rockingham County. District Three constituents can apply online or visit one of the five SNHS offices for <u>electric assistance</u>, <u>fuel assistance</u>, <u>weatherization assistance</u>.

#### **Rockingham County Locations:**

- **Derry** (603) 965-3029: (toll free 1-855-295-4105) **Seabrook** (603) 474-3507 (toll free 1-800-979-3507)
- Salem (603) 893-9172 (toll free 1-800-939-9172) Raymond (603) 895-2303 (toll free 1-800-974-2303)
- **Portsmouth** (603) 436-3896 (toll free 1-800-639-3896)

TDD Access: Relay NH: 1-800-735-2964