

# Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) Opens Early in Kansas

Topeka, Kan. – The Kansas Department for Children and Families (DCF) has announced that Kansans needing assistance with winter energy bills will be able to begin applying for its Low Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP) Monday, Nov. 18. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. March 31, 2025.

“Kansas winters can be harsh and unpredictable. When temperatures fall, heating bills rise. By opening the LIEAP application period in mid-November, we’re hoping families will have the help they need to cover those higher heating bills and stay warm in their homes,” said DCF Secretary Laura Howard.

LIEAP provides a one-time per year benefit to help qualifying households pay winter heating costs, whether the home is heated with electricity, natural gas, propane, or other home heating fuels. In 2024, over 40,000 Kansas households received an average benefit of \$645.

To qualify, households must have an adult at the address responsible for the home's heating costs. Applicants must be at or below 150% of the federal poverty level. The level of benefit received varies according to household income, number of people living in the home, type of residence, type of heating fuel, and utility rates.

DCF and partnering energy companies are planning in-person events to help Kansans submit their LIEAP applications. For a schedule of in-person LIEAP application events, visit [dcf.ks.gov](http://dcf.ks.gov). Kansans applying for LIEAP should have with them their identification, proof of income for all adult household members, copies of heating utility bills (gas, electric, propane, etc.), and a copy of their rental agreement if living in subsidized housing

cludes firearms and ammunition)

Participants must bring their own eye and ear protection.

- Concealed Carry

A mandatory course for Kansas residents applying for a Concealed Carry Handgun License, this class requires prior knowledge of safe handgun handling.

Dates: February 1, April 5, June 7, September 6, November 1

Time: 7:30 AM – 5:30 PM

Cost: \$100 (includes lunch)

Participants must bring their own firearm, 60 rounds of ammunition, and eye and ear protection.

- Women’s Basic Handgun

Designed specifically for women and girls (ages 16+ with a parent also enrolled), this eight-hour class focuses on gun safety and operation, with no prior experience required. o Dates: March 1, August 2, December 6

Time: 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Cost: \$85 (includes firearms and ammunition)

Participants must bring their own eye and ear protection.

Contact Information

For additional details or to register for a course, please email [criminaljustice@gcccks.edu](mailto:criminaljustice@gcccks.edu) or call 620-276-9687.

(a complete list of required information can be found in the FAQ document ). Partnering energy companies, Atmos Energy, Black Hills Energy, Evergy, Kansas Gas Services, and Midwest Energy, may attend LIEAP application events in their service areas.

Applications can be accessed online at [dcf.ks.gov](http://dcf.ks.gov) by clicking the “Apply for Services” button on the top right side of the website. LIEAP applications will be accepted beginning Nov. 18 until 5 p.m. March 31, 2025.

Learn more about LIEAP in Kansas, including frequently asked questions, other community resources, and the complete schedule of LIEAP application events. Funding for LIEAP is

provided by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Community Service through the Federal Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ANNUAL MEETING

Morton COUNTY

EXTENSION COUNCIL

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given in accordance with K.S.A. 2-611, as amended, State of Kansas, that on December 4, 2024 at Morton County Civic Center, 400 Orchard Street Elkhart, beginning at 6pm, the members of the Morton County Extension Council shall meet for the purpose of: (1) electing from among their members an Executive Board consisting of a chairperson, a vice chairperson, a secretary, a treasurer and five additional members; (2) organizing the Program Development committees for Agricultural and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H and Youth Development, and Community Vitality initiatives; (3) consideration of the County Extension Education Program.

All County Extension Council representatives of Agricultural and Natural Resources, Family and Consumer Sciences, 4-H and Youth Development and Community Vitality initiatives are urged to attend.

*Emily Howe*  
Executive Board, Chair

## Legal Notice

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )  
JOHN M. HOBBLE, II, DECEASED ) Case No. MT-2024-PR-000025

## NOTICE OF HEARING

STATE OF KANSAS, TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are hereby notified that a Petition has been filed in this court by Terri M. Hobbles, Personal Representative of the estate of John M. Hobbles, II, deceased, praying that the foreign Will of John M. Hobbles, II, deceased, be admitted to probate and record in this court; that no administration of this estate is necessary; that the Will be construed; and that all real estate described in the Petition and all other property owned by the decedent in Kansas be assigned in accordance with the terms of the Will.

You are required to file your written defenses thereto on or before December 20, 2024, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., of said day, in said court, in the City of Elkhart, in Morton County, Kansas, at which time and place said cause will be heard. Should you fail therein, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

Terri M. Hobbles, Petitioner

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MORTON COUNTY, KANSAS

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF )  
OF ) Case No. MT-2024-PR-000026  
GARY R. GRICE, A/K/A )  
GARY GRICE AKA, )  
GARY ROYCE GRICE, DECEASED )  
(Petition Pursuant to K.S.A. Chapter 59 )

**NOTICE OF HEARING**

THE STATE OF KANSAS TO ALL PERSONS CONCERNED:

You are notified that a Petition has been filed in this Court by Margaret Grice, spouse and one of the heirs of Gary R. Grice, deceased, requesting:

Descent be determined of the following described real estate situated in Morton County, Kansas:

**NW/4 of S1-T35S-42W, and the S/2 NE/4 of S2-T35S-42W, Morton County, Kansas;**

and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by decedent at the time of death. And that such property and all personal property and other Kansas real estate owned by the decedent at the time of death be assigned pursuant to the terms of the "Valid Settlement Agreement" dated October 25, 2024.

You are required to file your written defenses to the Petition on or before January 7, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. in the District Court, in the city of Elkhart in Morton County, Kansas, at which time and place the cause will be heard. Should you fail to file your written defenses, judgment and decree will be entered in due course upon the Petition.

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