

**DAVIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES  
ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM**

The Davie County Department of Social Services will begin taking applications for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program on November 2, 2009. Applications will be taken at the Food and Nutrition Services Office, at 642 Wilkesboro St., Mocksville, North Carolina, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. The last day to apply for the program will be November 13, 2009. The office will be closed November 11, 2009 in observance of Veteran's Day.

Eligibility for the Energy Assistance Program is based on income, resources and the household's heating source. The household must be vulnerable (subject to the rising energy cost).

Some Food and Nutrition Services households will automatically be eligible for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program. Those households should have received a notice informing them of their eligibility. Those households that are required to apply in person for the Low Income Energy Assistance program will receive a notice telling them to apply in person at the Food and Nutrition Services Office at the Department of Social Services.

Other households who wish to apply for the Low Income Energy Assistance Program should come to the Food and Nutrition Services Office located at 642 Wilkesboro St., Mocksville, North Carolina. Verification of the total household income and resources for the month of October 2009 will be required.

The Energy Assistance program is not a "first-come," "first-serve" program. All those who apply during the designated time who are eligible will receive a one time payment to help with their heating bills. It is not the intent of the Energy Assistance Program to cover all of a household's heating expense, but to supplement these bills on a one-time basis. Those eligible for this assistance will receive their payments around February 1, 2010.

Households who have an immediate need for assistance with heating cost should contact the Department of Social Services. The department does have limited funds available through the Crisis Intervention Program to help with these needs. To be eligible for the Crisis Program, a household must be in a crisis, or life-threatening situation.

Those who are homebound and have no relatives to come to the agency to apply for them should call the Department of Social Services at 753-6185 to receive instructions on how to apply. Only those who are homebound and have no relatives should call. All others interested in the Energy Program are required to come to the agency on Wilkesboro Street to apply.