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# **Energy Resources Guide for Residential Buildings and Non-Profit Facilities**

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# Purpose

Illinois Solar for All (ILSFA) brings the benefits of solar energy to income-eligible communities through its Residential Solar (Small and Large), Non-Profit and Public Facilities, and Community Solar sub-programs. Illinois Solar for All offers this Energy Resources Guide for Residential Buildings and Non-Profit Facilities to provide information on programs and services to improve building energy performance, affordability, tenant comfort, health, and safety. This includes energy efficiency programs, bill payment programs, health and safety programs, and building improvement programs.

Programs are organized by service offering and include a description, eligibility requirements, applicable property categories, and relevant website(s) to find more information .

Please note that most of the programs and resources listed here are only available in a specified geographic area (e.g., city, town, county, utility service territory, neighborhood, rural area) and type of customer or demographic (e.g., residential, income-eligible, senior citizen). Interested parties should confirm eligibility criteria, status, available funding, and applicability of the programs listed directly with the administrators of the identified programs and services.

# Multifamily Energy Efficiency Programs

The following programs can assist building owners with energy efficiency upgrades. Some programs can assist in remediating health and safety issues that need addressing before energy efficiency upgrades can proceed.

## Multi-Family Energy Savings

The Multi-Family Energy Savings offering is for multi-family properties with three or more units in areas served by ComEd, Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas, and North Shore Gas, and it provides multi-family property owners and public housing authorities opportunities to save money and energy at their properties.

**Eligibility requirements:** Buildings with 3+ units and all buildings owned by Public Housing Authorities located in ComEd, Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas, or North Shore Gas territories.

- [Multi-Family Energy Savings](#)
- Phone: 855-993-0940

## Ameren Illinois Energy Efficiency Program

For multifamily property owners and managers, Ameren Illinois offers eligible residential energy-saving home upgrades to help reduce energy costs and improve home energy efficiency.

For Public Housing Authorities (PHAs), Ameren Illinois offers technical and financial assistance to Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) to improve tenant comfort, manage usage, and reduce costs. PHAs are eligible to receive incentives for energy efficiency upgrades for projects that service income-eligible residents.

**Eligibility requirements (Multifamily Property Owners and Managers):** Income requirements; three or more unit multifamily properties; property must be serviced by Ameren Illinois.

**Eligibility requirements (Public Housing Authorities):** Limited to Public Housing Authorities within the Ameren Illinois territory; additional occupancy and compliance requirements.

- [Incentives for Residential Property Owners and Renters](#)
- Phone: 866-838-6918
- [IllinoisMultifamilyEE@ameren.com](mailto:IllinoisMultifamilyEE@ameren.com)

## Illinois Energy Efficiency Loan Program

The Illinois Energy Efficiency Loan Program allows utility customers to pay for energy efficiency investments through a monthly loan charge on their utility bill. Energy efficiency investments aim to decrease energy consumption, enhance building comfort, and reduce utility bills.

**Eligibility requirements:** All installation energy efficiency measures must meet minimum efficiency requirements to qualify for financing.

- [Illinois Energy Loan Program](#)
- Phone: 877-923-2665
- [efs@energyfinancesolutions.com](mailto:efs@energyfinancesolutions.com)

## Oak Park Housing Programs

The Village of Oak Park has a wide range of support programs managed by the Neighborhood Services Department to expand quality, affordable homeownership and rental housing options to residents.

**Eligibility requirements:** Property must be in the Village of Oak Park; further requirements vary by program.

- [Oak Park Housing Programs](#)
- Phone: 708-358-5410
- [housing@oak-park.us](mailto:housing@oak-park.us)

# Single-Family Energy Efficiency Programs

## Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program (IHWAP)

The Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program (IHWAP) helps low-income residents and households conserve fuel and reduce energy costs by making their homes and apartments more energy efficient.

**Eligibility requirements:** Illinois residents; the household's combined income must be at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

- [Illinois Home Weatherization Assistance Program \(IHWAP\)](#)
- Phone: 833-711-0374
- [Communityassist@illinois.gov](mailto:Communityassist@illinois.gov)

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- Phone: 877-923-2665
- [efs@energyfinancesolutions.com](mailto:efs@energyfinancesolutions.com)

## Ameren Illinois Energy Efficiency Program (Homeowners)

Ameren Illinois customers may be eligible to receive energy-saving home upgrades, such as improved insulation, air sealing, ventilation, and more, at little to no cost through a free Home Energy Assessment, which looks for ways to reduce your energy usage and costs.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; residential customer of Ameren Illinois; reside in a single-family home.

- [Energy-Saving Home Upgrades for Homeowners](#)
- Phone: 866-838-6918
- [IllinoisResidentialEE@ameren.com](mailto:IllinoisResidentialEE@ameren.com)

## ComEd Single-Family Home Energy Savings

Qualifying ComEd customers have opportunities to reduce energy usage with a free energy assessment that includes free products for your home.

**Eligibility requirements:** Single-family homes; two-flat buildings; condominiums; mobile homes; manufactured homes; townhomes. Renters in these building types are also eligible, with permission from their landlord.

- [ComEd Single Family Home Energy Savings](#)
- Phone: 855-433-2700

## MidAmerican Home Discounts and Rebates

MidAmerican Energy Company offers discounts and rebates to make it easier for residents to upgrade their home equipment to energy-efficient models.

**Eligibility requirements:** MidAmerican Energy Company residential customers must meet the [list of qualifications and conditions](#).

- [MidAmerican Home Discounts and Rebates](#)
- Phone: 877-932-0616
- [Energyexpert@midamerican.com](mailto:Energyexpert@midamerican.com)

## Peoples Gas Energy Efficiency Program

The Peoples Gas Energy Efficiency Program partners with ComEd to help homeowners and renters save money and lower costs with free energy assessments and free or discounted energy-savings products.

**Eligibility requirements:** Peoples Gas residential customers; owners of single-family homes, two-flat buildings, and individually metered condos and townhomes. Renters are also eligible, with permission from their landlord.

- [Peoples Gas Energy Efficiency Program](#)
- Phone: 855-660-9378

## Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program

The Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency program offers free assessments and incentives for homeowners and renters to save energy and money.

**Eligibility requirements:** Home assessments are available to customers living in homes with two units or fewer, townhomes, duplexes, and individually owned and metered condos.

- [Nicor Gas Energy Efficiency Program](#)
- Phone: 855-660-9378

## Chicago Bungalow Association (CBA) Programs

In partnership with ComEd, Nicor Gas, North Shore Gas, and Peoples Gas, the Chicago Bungalow Association (CBA) provides a list of available grants and other assistance programs that may benefit Chicago homeowners, such as weatherization services and energy-saving products.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; single-family home or two-flat building; home was built at least 30 years ago; owner-occupied; located in Cook County; not a previous Energy Savers Program participant.

- [CBA Available Programs](#)
- Phone: 312-675-0300
- [saveenergy@chicagobungalow.org](mailto:saveenergy@chicagobungalow.org)

## Housing Opportunities & Maintenance for the Elderly (H.O.M.E.) Programs

The Housing Opportunities & Maintenance for the Elderly (H.O.M.E.) organization provides different community-based support services and programs that help Chicago's income-eligible senior homeowners maintain their independence.

**Eligibility requirements:** 62 years of age or older (55 or older if disabled); live south of North Avenue within the City of Chicago; have no more than \$1,200/month in income (income/mortgage ratio is considered).

- [H.O.M.E. Programs](#)
- Phone: 773-921-3200
- [info@homeseniors.org](mailto:info@homeseniors.org)

## Oak Park Single-Family Rehabilitation Loans and Grants

Oak Parkers with qualifying incomes who own and live in single-family houses are eligible for federally funded rehabilitation home loans. Funds may be used for weatherization and to provide accessibility for people with disabilities.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; owner-occupied single-family homes in the Village of Oak Park.

- [Oak Park Single-Family Rehabilitation Loans & Grants](#)
- Phone: 708-358-5410
- [housing@oak-park.us](mailto:housing@oak-park.us)



## Ecology Action Center BN Energy Bright Program

The Ecology Action Center's BN Energy Bright Program is a comprehensive energy efficiency resource for Bloomington-Normal residents. Residents can sign up for a low-cost home energy check-up and receive an energy-saving toolkit with a comprehensive analysis of their home or small business energy usage.

- [BN Energy Bright Program](#)
- Phone: 309-454-3169

# Non-Profit Organizations Energy Efficiency Programs

## Ameren Illinois Energy Efficiency Program

Ameren Illinois offers a wide range of financial incentives to make equipment upgrades and energy efficiency projects more affordable for small business customers.

Starting in 2026, small businesses can now get financial incentives for air leak sealing, insulation, and other weatherization measures through the Small Business Direct Install (SBDI) Program.

**Eligibility requirements:** Eligibility requirements vary per incentive; located in the Ameren Illinois territory.

- [Ameren Illinois Energy Efficiency Program](#)
- Phone: 866-800-0747
- [IllinoisBusinessEE@ameren.com](mailto:IllinoisBusinessEE@ameren.com)

## ComEd Energy Efficiency Program

The ComEd Energy Efficiency program offers free facility assessments and incentives to help commercial and industrial facilities, including non-profit organizations, save money by improving the efficiency of their equipment.

**Eligibility requirements (ComEd Small Business Offering):** Non-residential ComEd customers with an electrical peak demand under 400 kWh for public facilities and private businesses.

**Eligibility requirements (ComEd Standard Offering):** Non-residential ComEd customers.

- [ComEd Energy Efficiency Program](#)
- Phone: 855-433-2700
- [BusinessEE@ComEd.com](mailto:BusinessEE@ComEd.com)
- [PublicSectorEE@ComEd.com](mailto:PublicSectorEE@ComEd.com)

# Bill Savings Programs

These programs assist homeowners by lowering utility bills or offering financial assistance to pay utility bills.

## Utility Billing Relief (UBR) Program

Utility Billing Relief (UBR) provides low-income City of Chicago residents with a reduced rate on their water, sewer, and water-sewer tax as well as debt relief for those who demonstrate they can manage the reduced rate bills for one year.

- [Utility Billing Relief Program](#)
- Phone: 800-571-2332

## Utility Bill Payment Plans

The City of Chicago offers different utility bill payment plan options for qualified customers.

- [Utility Bill Payment Plan](#)
- Phone: 312-744-4426

## Income-Qualified Internet Programs

Families in Illinois may be eligible for affordable internet programs offered by AT&T, Xfinity, Spectrum, RCN, Lifeline, and the City of Chicago. These programs aim to help lower-income families stay connected with access to affordable internet services and connected devices.

- [Income-Qualified Internet Programs](#)
- Phone: 1-800-669-5556

## Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) is a federally administered program that can help you stay warm in winter without upsetting your budget. Whether you rent or own your home, LIHEAP offers financial help to low-income households to pay heat and electric bills.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; Illinois residents.

- [LIHEAP Program](#)
- Phone: 833-711-0374

## ComEd Financial Assistance Programs

For ComEd customers, financial assistance programs are available to help manage energy bills.

**Eligibility requirements:** Varies based on the program.

- [Financial Assistance Programs](#)
- Phone: 888-806-2273

## ComEd Hourly Pricing

ComEd's Hourly Pricing is an electric supply rate that lets you pay for electricity at the hourly market price. By shifting some of your energy use to lower-priced hours, you could save money on your monthly bills.

**Eligibility requirements:** ComEd residential customers.

- [Hourly Pricing](#)
- Phone: 888-202-7787
- [info@comedhourlypricing.com](mailto:info@comedhourlypricing.com)

## ComEd Peak Time Savings

If your home has a smart meter, you're eligible to enroll in ComEd's Peak Time Savings (PTS) program and earn a credit on your energy bill when you participate voluntarily on days with PTS Summer Hours. There is no cost to enroll.

**Eligibility requirements:** ComEd residential customers with activated smart meters.

- [Peak Time Savings](#)
- Phone: 844-852-0347

## Ameren Illinois Power Smart Pricing

Power Smart Pricing is an electricity pricing program for residential customers where the price you pay for electricity varies hour by hour based on actual market prices.

**Eligibility requirements:** Ameren Illinois residential electric customers.

- [Power Smart Pricing](#)
- Phone: 888-596-5498
- [PowerSmartPricing@ameren.com](mailto:PowerSmartPricing@ameren.com)

## Ameren Illinois Peak Time Rewards

The Ameren Illinois Peak Time Rewards program gives eligible residential customers the opportunity to earn bill credits by reducing electricity usage during times of high demand.

**Eligibility requirements:** Ameren Illinois residential electric customers with activated smart meters.

- [Peak Time Rewards](#)
- Phone: 888-596-5497
- [PeakTimeRewards@ameren.com](mailto:PeakTimeRewards@ameren.com)

## Peoples Gas Share the Warmth Program

Administered for Peoples Gas by the Community and Economic Development Association (CEDA), Share the Warmth provides heating grants to limited and fixed-income households.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; Peoples Gas customers.

- [Share the Warmth \(Peoples Gas\)](#)
- Phone: 800-571-2332

## North Shore Gas Share the Warmth Program

Administered for North Shore Gas by the Community Action Partnership of Lake County, Share the Warmth provides heating grants to limited and fixed-income households.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; North Shore Gas customers.

- [Share the Warmth \(North Shore Gas\)](#)
- Phone: 847-249-4330

## Nicor Gas Shield of Caring Program

Shield of Caring is an emergency assistance and homelessness prevention program that provides individuals and families in Nicor Gas' service area with natural gas bill payment assistance and support for other basic needs.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; Nicor Gas residential customer; must be ineligible for state or federal energy assistance programs.

- [Shield of Caring](#)
- Phone: 888-642-6748

# Health and Safety Programs

These programs assist homeowners by offering technical and/or financial assistance to pay for health and safety-related issues.

## Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes Programs

The Chicago Department of Public Health (CDPH) works to detect and address exposures to lead hazards. Through strategic inspections and abatement, as well as public education campaigns and testing, CDPH is leading efforts to permanently eliminate lead exposure to children.

Healthy Homes is a HUD program that seeks to prevent disease among children that stems from being exposed to various types of environmental hazards in the home, such as lead, mold, allergens, and asthma.

- [Lead Poisoning Prevention and Healthy Homes](#)
- Phone: 312-747-5323
- [healthychicago@cityofchicago.org](mailto:healthychicago@cityofchicago.org)

## Comprehensive Lead Education, Reduction and Window Replacement Program (CLEAR-Win)

CLEAR-Win aims to assist residential property owners to reduce lead paint and leaded plumbing hazards in qualified homes throughout Illinois by way of window replacement and remediation of other sources of lead. This is available in select counties.

- [Comprehensive Lead Education, Reduction and Window Replacement Program \(CLEAR-Win\)](#)

## Elevate Preventative Lead Abatement Program

The Preventative Lead Abatement Program fixes lead paint hazards and other home-based health and safety hazards at no cost to owners of a home-based daycare. The program serves home-based child care centers in Chicago and Cook County, as well as residential homes with young children in Cook County that meet income eligibility requirements.

- [Preventative Lead Abatement Program](#)
- Phone: 312-453-0902
- [leadabatement@elevatenp.org](mailto:leadabatement@elevatenp.org)

## LeadCare Cook County

LeadCare Cook County supports a safe and healthy learning environment for children by offering free lead service line replacement to childcare providers in suburban Cook County. It is available to licensed and licensed-exempt childcare providers in suburban Cook County.

- [LeadCare Cook County](#)
- Phone: 773-389-5657
- [info@LeadCareCookCounty.org](mailto:info@LeadCareCookCounty.org)

## LeadCare Illinois

LeadCare Illinois is a statewide program that services licensed childcare facilities and public and private schools. The program supports detecting and mitigating lead in their water by offering free lead testing, training, and mitigation support.

- [LeadCare Illinois](#)
- Phone: 312-300-7074
- [info@LeadCareIllinois.org](mailto:info@LeadCareIllinois.org)

## Cook County Leak Repair

Provides water leak repairs and water efficiency upgrades in suburban Cook County. Cook County Leak Repair is available to income-eligible suburban Cook County residents (excluding Chicago) who own or rent their homes.

- [Cook County Leak Repair](#)
- Phone: 773-570-4547
- [info@CookCountyLeakRepair.org](mailto:info@CookCountyLeakRepair.org)

## ComEd Public Schools Carbon-Free Assessment

The Public Schools Carbon-Free Assessment program provides facility assessments to identify opportunities to save energy, electrify facilities, and reduce overall carbon usage. Once assessments are complete, ComEd will help customers access energy efficiency incentives and plan additional decarbonization projects.

**Eligibility requirements:** Must be a public school or public school district located within ComEd territory.

- [Public Schools Carbon-Free Assessment](#)
- Phone: 855-433-2700
- [BusinessEE@ComEd.com](mailto:BusinessEE@ComEd.com)

# Home Improvement Programs

These programs assist building owners with building upgrades. For a full list of home repairs and upgrades programs, please visit the [External Funding Document](#).

## Single-Family Housing Repair Loans and Grants

Also known as the Section 504 Home Repair program, this program provides loans to income-eligible homeowners to repair, improve, or modernize their homes or grants to elderly income-eligible homeowners to remove health and safety hazards. The maximum loan is \$40,000; the maximum grant is \$10,000; and loans and grants can be combined for up to \$50,000 in assistance. Utilizing the [USDA Eligibility Site](#), you can enter a specific address for determination or just search the map to review general eligible areas.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; owner-occupied; be unable to obtain affordable credit elsewhere; have a household income that does not exceed the [very low limit](#) by county; must be age 62 or older for grants.

- [Single Family Housing Repair Loans & Grants in Illinois](#)
- Phone: 217-403-6222
- For contact information based on the USDA area, use the [USDA's map](#).

## U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Approved Housing Counseling Agencies

Approved housing counseling agencies support customers to make informed decisions when making home improvements. There are ten counseling locations across Illinois that provide services for home improvement and rehabilitation.

To find your closest Approved Housing Counseling Agency and its contact information, please visit the [HUD Office of Housing Counseling's website](#).

## Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA) Revitalization and Repair Programs

The Illinois Housing Development Authority Revitalization and Repair Programs work with local government and non-profit organizations to offer programs that address vacant residential properties, as well as funding programs that allow homeowners to make necessary repairs and accessibility improvements to their homes.

**Eligibility requirements:** Income requirements; Illinois residents.

- [Home Repair and Community Revitalization Programs](#)
- Phone: 312-836-5200



## Habitat for Humanity of Illinois

Habitat for Humanity is a global housing non-profit organization that supports communities in building homes and hope. It provides rehabilitation and preservation of homes to ensure equitable standards of housing. Several locations across the state provide different services to the community, including home repairs.

- To find the closest affiliate, please visit the [Habitat for Humanity website](#).