

NEWS RELEASE

Utility payment assistance

Summer Crisis Program begins July 1

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The Summer Crisis Program, which provides electric bill payment assistance to eligible families, begins Thursday, July 1. Administered by the Community Action Partnership of the Greater Dayton Area, the Summer Crisis Program will continue through Tuesday, Aug. 31, or until all funds are exhausted.

“This year the income maximum has increased for the Summer Crisis Program,” said Joyce E. Price, Vice President & COO of the Community Action Partnership of the Greater Dayton Area. “Households qualify for the Summer Crisis Program if they are at or below 200 percent of the Federal Poverty Guidelines.”

For a family of four, this is an income at or below \$44,100. Income eligible households may receive electric bill payment assistance if a member of the household is age 60 or over. A disconnect notice is not required. If a household member under age 60 has an illness that utility assistance would benefit, the application must include documentation from a physician. An eligible household may receive up to \$175 to assist with their electric bill payment.

Community Action Partnership will make appointments to determine household eligibility beginning Monday, June 28. Customers may make an appointment by calling

For more information on the Summer Crisis Program, contact the county in which you reside. The numbers are below:

Darke Co.:	(937) 548-8143
Greene Co.:	(937) 376-7747
Montgomery Co.:	(866) 504-7379 *this is an automated line
Preble Co.	(937) 456-2800

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