

NEWS RELEASE

Air conditioners available for eligible families Summer Crisis Program begins July 1

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The Summer Crisis Program, which provides electric bill payment assistance to eligible families, begins Friday, 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.

“For the first time in three years, we will provide an air conditioning unit for those households with a member age 60 or over or with a member who has an illness and would benefit from this assistance,” said Joyce E. Price, Vice President & COO of the Community Action Partnership of the Greater Dayton Area. “The household must provide a medical statement from a physician or registered nurse practitioner in order to receive an air conditioner.”

Households that do not need an air conditioner may instead receive up to \$175 to assist with their electric bill payment. Income eligibility for the Summer Crisis Program is 200 percent of the 2011 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines. For a family of four, this is an income at or below \$44,700. A disconnect notice is not required.

Customers may make an appointment to determine household eligibility by calling the automated appointment line at 1-866-504-7379. Beginning July 1, Community Action Partnership will accept a limited number of walk-in customers at the 719 S. Main St. office each weekday beginning at 7 a.m.

For more information on the Summer Crisis Program, contact Community Action Partnership at (937) 341-5000 ext. 114.

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