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## COUNTY OF SULLIVAN DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

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## **Emergency HEAP Available**

Apply in Person or Over the Phone

Liberty, NY – New York State has announced a second Emergency HEAP (Home Energy Assistance Program) benefit is available, beginning February 27.

"The eligibility for this benefit is nearly the same as for the first Emergency HEAP benefit," notes Sullivan County Deputy Social Services Commissioner Giselle Steketee. "Applicants must have exhausted – or have unavailable to them – both the original Regular benefit and the first Emergency HEAP benefit."

Applicants for the Emergency HEAP benefit must apply over the phone (845-807-0142) or in person. In-person applications will be accepted at the Department of Social Services, but please call ahead to confirm.

Applications can also be obtained from the County's community partners (please call first):

- Action Toward Independence, 845-794-4228
- Independent Living, 845-794-3322
- Sullivan County Office for the Aging, 845-807-0241

Heating Type	Second Emergency Benefit Amount
Heat-Related Domestic	\$185
Natural Gas – Heat Only	\$400
Natural Gas – Heat Combined with Heat- Related Domestic	\$585

Electric Heat	\$585
Oil, Kerosene, Propane	\$900
Wood, Pellets, Coal, Corn, Other	\$635

The Sullivan County HEAP Office can be reached at 845-807-0142 (hit option #2) or <a href="heap@sullivanny.us">heap@sullivanny.us</a>. The fax number is 845-292-4651.