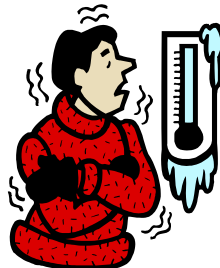




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PIERCE COUNTY ENERGY ASSISTANCE GUIDE



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The Pierce County Aging & Disability Resource Center is a program that assists residents in finding resources and services:

1. We help people find phone numbers and agencies that provide services they need.
2. We produce information guides and lists and send them to people who need them (such as low income housing, home care agencies, Alzheimer's resources, etc.).
3. We prescreen individuals for case management services and state funded in home care services, and assist people to get these services.
4. We give informational talks to groups about services for older adults and individuals of all ages with disabilities throughout Tacoma/Pierce County and supply informational articles for newspapers and newsletters.

See Also: Washington State Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

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REGION SERVED	UTILITY COMPANY	PROGRAM/ AGENCY	MONTHLY INCOME MUST BE LESS THAN	OTHER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS	BENEFITS PROVIDED
Puyallup area zip codes 98371, 98372 98373, 98374 98375 only. Has funds for Eatonville, Spanaway, Orting, Graham, in Dec/Jan/Feb	Any	All Saints Church 253-848-2000 M-Th 10-3 F 10-Noon	Depends on circumstances	Must have shutoff notice	1) Amount depends on available funds @\$75 2) Sometimes has wood for wood heat 3) Also provides some rent assist with notice to vacate

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Pierce County	Any	Buckley Multipurpose Center 360-829-0190	Same as Pierce County Community Action-page 2	Assists with Pierce County Community Action Applications, must meet PCCA income guidelines, see page 2	1) See Pierce County Community Action Agency page 2 2) Timber Salmon Fund – same requirements as Pierce Co Community Action. Provides additional funds for utilities, home repair, car repair, etc.
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Southeast Pierce County: Zip codes 98373, 98374, 98375, 98387, 98431, 98433, 98438, 98439, 98444, 98445, 98446, 98338, 98580, 98328, 98344	Any	Clover Creek Bible Fellowship Church 17708 28 th Ave E Tacoma 98445 253-537-2001	Depends on circumstances	Contact Darrell for an appointment. Must complete a written application. Church will then meet & pray about it.	Not all requests will be honored. Depends on circumstances. Takes 5-7 days.
Tacoma-North End & Downtown: zip codes 98402, 98403, 98406, 98407 only	Any	CONNECT (Council of North End Churches Together) 253-274-1757 M,W,F 10-12AM	Depends on circumstances	Must have shutoff notice and proof that rent is current	If individual can get the remaining bill paid through other sources - will provide up to \$50 on utility bill- once in a 12 month period

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Eatonville School District	Any	Eatonville Family Agency 360-832-6805	Same as Pierce County Community Action see page 2		1) Assists with Pierce County Community Action applications see page 2 2) Occasionally additional funds available to pay up to one month rent, utilities or mortgage payment
Gig Harbor & Peninsula including Purdy & Olalla	Any	Gig Harbor Peninsula FISH 253-851-8800	Same as Pierce County Community Action page 2	Must have a shutoff notice Will consider people who have higher incomes in extraordinary circumstances	Depends on circumstance- usually once in a lifetime assistance

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<p>Key Peninsula only, 98349, 98439, 98395, 98351, 98329</p>	<p>Any</p>	<p>Key Peninsula Community Services 253-884-4440</p>	<p>1) \$955/1 person \$1255/2 people 2) Same as Pierce County Community Action page 2</p>	<p>1) Must have shutoff notice or heat with alternative heat source 2) Assists with Pierce County Community Action Applications, must meet PCCA income guidelines, see page 2</p>	<p>1) Varies- usually pays past due amount up to \$350. Propane up to 100 gallons depending on price. Wood one cord. Once a year. 2) See Pierce County Community Action page 2</p>
<p>Lakewood, Steilacoom, Anderson Island zip codes 98498, 98499 98439, 98303, 98388</p>	<p>Any</p>	<p>Lakewood Area Shelter Association 253-582-5320</p>	<p>Depends on circumstances</p>	<p>Must have a 3 day shutoff notice or be out of fuel oil.</p>	<p>1) Helps to pay past due utility bills, (usually \$50) once/year 2) Up to 50 gallons of oil for oil furnace up to once/year</p>

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Inside Tacoma City Limits	Any	Metropolitan Development Council 721 S Fawcett Tacoma 98402 253-572-5557 DROP IN TO GET HELP NO APPOINTMENT NECESSARY	<i>If on fixed income</i> \$895/1 person \$1210/2 people <i>If working</i> \$1118/1 person \$1512/2 people		Assistance is provided once a year between November & May for anyone who meets the financial guidelines, a shutoff notice is not necessary. Assistance is based on type of housing, # of people in the house, cost of heat, and income. The amount of assistance provided varies from \$25-\$700. Depends on circumstances.
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Pierce County	Any	Orting Multipurpose Center 360-893-5200	Same as Pierce County Community Action-page 2	Assists with Pierce County Community Action Applications, must meet PCCA income guidelines, see page 2	See Pierce County Community Action Agency page 2
Peninsula Power & Light customers	Peninsula Power & Light customers only	Peninsula Power & Light Discount Program 253-857-1510	\$1397/1 person \$1890/2 people	1) Must be age 62+ OR disabled on a disability pension. 2) Must be at same address 6 months or more	Ongoing 25% discount on light bill
Peninsula Power & Light customers	Peninsula Power & Light customers only	Peninsula Power & Light Project Help 253-857-1510	\$1397/1 person \$1890/2 people	Must be at least one month behind on utility bill	\$200 between November and April-one grant per heating season

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<p>Pierce County <u>outside</u> Tacoma City Limits</p>	<p>Any</p>	<p>Pierce County Community Action 8811 S Tacoma Way Tacoma 98498 1-866-223-1068</p> <p>Elderly & disabled call 253-798-7240 ext. 5577</p> <p>NO DROP IN CUSTOMERS ALLOWED</p>	<p><i>If on fixed income</i> \$923/1 person</p> <p>\$1244/2 people</p> <p><i>If working</i> \$1154/1 person</p> <p>\$1555/2 people</p>	<p>Community Service Centers in Bonney Lake, Buckley, Orting, Eatonville, and Key Peninsula have applications for this program, and can assist with the application process. Information on the community service centers is included on the following pages of this chart.</p>	<p>Assistance is provided once a year between November & May for anyone who meets the financial guidelines, a shutoff notice is not necessary.</p> <p>Assistance is based on type of housing, # of people in the house, cost of heat, and income. The amount of assistance provided varies from \$25-\$700. Depends on circumstances.</p> <p>If utilities are already shut off, call 253-798- 7240 X 5069 for assistance.</p>
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Buckley	Any	Plateau Outreach Ministries 360-825-8961	Must be struggling financially	Must have shutoff notice or written estimate for cost of refill of propane, oil or wood	Attempts to meet utility and shelter financial needs-depends on available funds
Tacoma and Pierce County	Tacoma Power customers only	Project Family Need 1106 MLK Jr. Way Tacoma, 98405 253-572-5557 (Tacoma) 253-798-2801 (Pierce County)	\$1074/1 person \$1452/2 people	1)Must be Tacoma Power Customer 2)Must have shutoff notice	Up to \$300 during the year 2001 for the electric portion of utility bill. If in subsidized housing or on Section 8, the maximum is \$200/year.

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<p>Pierce County east of Canyon Road</p>	<p>Puget Sound Energy</p> <p>If extra funds available assists Tacoma Power & Elmhurst Power and other power sources</p>	<p>Salvation Army (Puyallup area) 4009 9th St SW Puyallup 98373 253-841-1491</p> <p>PLEASE CALL FOR APPOINTMENT</p>	<p><i>If on fixed income</i> \$895/1 person</p> <p>\$1210/2 people</p> <p><i>If working</i> \$1118/1 person</p> <p>\$1512/2 people</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Must have shutoff notice 2) Warm Neighbors for Puget Sound Energy Customers only, money available in winter only 3) FEMA program for Tacoma Power, Elmhurst, and other power sources such as propane, wood, oil, etc. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Warm Neighbors gives up to \$150 each heating season (fall/winter). 2) FEMA grants are calculated on basis of heat source and highest one month heat bill, available in spring/summer only. 3) Occasionally, other sources provide additional funds for energy assistance
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<p>Pierce County west of Canyon Road</p>	<p>Puget Sound Energy OR Lakeview Power & Light</p> <p>If extra funds available assists with other power companies</p>	<p>Salvation Army (Tacoma-Lakewood-Spanaway) 1501 6th Ave Tacoma 98401 253-572-8452 x109</p> <p>call M, W, F 8 am to make an appointment</p> <p>NO DROP IN CUSTOMERS ALLOWED</p>	<p><i>If on fixed income</i> \$895/1 person</p> <p>\$1210/2 people</p> <p><i>If working</i> \$1118/1 person</p> <p>\$1512/2 people</p>	<p>4) Must have shutoff notice</p> <p>5) Must have also applied for Federal Energy Assistance program (through MDC or Pierce County Community Action)</p> <p>6) Emergency Family Shelter Program money available late spring to assist with other utility programs</p>	<p>4) Warm Neighbors gives up to \$150 each heating season (fall/winter) for Puget Sound Energy bill.</p> <p>5) Emergency Family Shelter Grants are calculated on basis of heat source and highest one month heat bill, available in spring/summer only.</p> <p>6) Occasionally, other sources provide additional funds for energy assistance</p>
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Indian Tribal members not affiliated with Pierce County tribes	Depends on tribal affiliation	Small Tribes of Western Washington 253-589-8689	Depends on tribal affiliation	Depends on tribal affiliation	Varies by tribe. No tribes in Pierce County have funds, but members of non-Pierce county tribes may be able to get funds from their tribal councils.
All of Tacoma and Pierce County	Any	St. Vincent dePaul Central Office 253-474-0519 (they will direct callers to their local church for assistance)	Depends on situation	Must have utility shutoff notice	If individual can get the remaining bill paid through other sources - will provide up to \$50 on utility bill – once in a 12 month period Also provides rent assistance, last \$100 – once in a 12 month period

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Tacoma and Pierce County	Tacoma Power customers only	TPU Discount Program (thru South Sound Outreach Svcs) 1106 MLK Jr. Way Tacoma, 98405 253-593-3499 or 253-593-2111 Fax: 253-593-3620	\$1164/1 person \$1561/2 people \$1908/3 people Dividends and interest count as income	1) Must be Tacoma Power Customer 2) Must be 62 or older OR disabled	1) Discounts for electricity & water 25%, garbage 25%, sewer & storm drains 25% & Click! Cable (depends on cable package) 2) Exemption from utility surcharges
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All of Tacoma and Pierce County	Any heat source	Veteran's Utility Assistance 901 Tacoma Ave S, Suite 102 Tacoma 98402 253-798-7449	\$1345/1 person \$1815/2 people	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Must be a wartime veteran with an honorable discharge2) Must have been a resident of Washington State for at least one year3) Must have shutoff notice, or written estimate for refill of oil, propane or wood	Up to \$175 in a 12 month period for any heat source. Also provides rent and food assistance
Steilacoom zip code 98388 only	Any	We Love Steilacoom Association 253-581-1076 M,T 8AM-8PM W, Th 8AM-6PM F 8AM-1PM			NOTE: THIS PROGRAM IS NOT CURRENTLY IN OPERATION, LACK OF STAFF

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