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## DHHS Helps Nebraskans Cool Down with Fans, Bill Payment Assistance

**Lincoln** – Nebraskans with little cooling this summer can be helped with their bills or the availability of fans if they meet the qualifications for two Department of Health and Human Services programs, according to Thomas Pristow, director of Children and Family Services.

DHHS has partnered with 63 organizations in 38 Nebraska communities to distribute fans to citizens. The recipients of the fans are determined by the organizations that distribute them, Pristow said.

Anyone seeking a fan should call the telephone number of the organization nearest them for more information, he said. **(Note to editor: See the list below for offices in your area.)**

The fans were purchased with funds from the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Administration for Children and Families, and the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services administers the funds, he said.

"We expect hundreds of fans will be provided across the state to help individuals and families who are most likely to be affected by the hot weather," Pristow said. "This is just one of many programs at DHHS that help people live better lives."

Funds also are available through the DHHS cooling program to assist low-income individuals and families with bill payments, Pristow said. Applications can be requested online at <http://www.ACCESSNebraska.ne.gov>, or by calling 1-800-383-4278, or any local DHHS office, he said.

To be eligible for funds, a person 70 years of age or older, or a person who is more susceptible to heat because of their medical condition, must live in the household. The limit of a household's financial resources to qualify for the cooling program is \$5,000, and the annual income limits are:

Household Size	Income Limit
1	\$12,960

2	\$17,553
3	\$22,147
4	\$26,740
5	\$31,334
6	\$35,928
7	\$40,521
8	\$45,115
9	\$49,708
10	\$54,302
Each Additional Member \$4,594	

Additional information can be found at: <http://dhhs.ne.gov/EnergyAssistance>.

<b>Community</b>	<b>Agency</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone No.</b>
Albion	Boone County Health Center	723 W. Fairview	402-395-5165
Alliance	Northwest Community Action Partnership	1028 E. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	308-762-4523
Auburn	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	1908 O St.	402-274-4666
Beatrice	Salvation Army	624 Market St.	402-223-3341
Broken Bow	Central Nebraska Community Services	924 E. SE St.	308-872-6013
Central City	Central Nebraska Community Services	715 16 <sup>th</sup> St.	308-946-3794
Clay Center	Clay Center Food Pantry	204 W. Fairfield	402-462-1817
Creighton	Northeast Nebraska Community Action	808 Chase Ave.	402-358-5297
Crete	Blue Valley Community Action	245 E. 9 <sup>th</sup> St., Suite 1	402-826-2376
Crete	Crete Public Health	995 E. Highway 33, Suite 1	402-826-6694
David City	Blue Valley Community Action	416 E St.	402-367-4347
Falls City	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	Courthouse, 1700 Stone St.	402-245-5284

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Franklin	Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska	631 15 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	308-425-3726
Fremont	Low Income Ministry	549 N. H St.	402-727-6884
Fremont	Northeast Nebraska Community Action	605 N. Broad St.	402-721-0619
Fremont	Salvation Army	701 N. I St.	402-721-0930
Geneva	Blue Valley Community Action	130 S. 8 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-759-3564
Geneva	Easter Seals Nebraska	918 N. 13 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-462-3031
Gering	Carpenter Center	116 Terry Blvd.	308-635-8422
Grand Island	Central Nebraska Community Services	2525 W. Lincoln Hwy	308-385-5500
Grand Island	Salvation Army	818 W. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	308-381-7628
Hastings	Catholic Social Services	515 W. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	402-463-2112
Hastings	Salvation Army	400 S. Burlington Ave.	402-463-0529
Holdrege	Christian Charity Funds	1419 East Ave.	308-995-2208
Holdrege	Salvation Army/North Park Assembly Church	110 14 <sup>th</sup> Ave.	308-995-2261
Kearney	Salvation Army	1719 Central Ave.	308-234-9998
Lincoln	Asian Community and Cultural Center	2615 O St.	402-477-3446
Lincoln	Catholic Social Services	2241 O St.	402-474-1600
Lincoln	Center for People in Need	3901 N. 27 <sup>th</sup> St., Unit #1	402-476-4357 104
Lincoln	Community Action Program	210 O St.	402-471-4515 149
Lincoln	Easter Seals Nebraska	8055 O St., Suite 110	402-462-3031
Lincoln	El Centro de las Americas	2032 U St.	402-474-3950
Lincoln	Good Neighbor Center	2617 Y St.	402-477-4173
Lincoln	Indian Center	1100 Military Road	402-438-5231

Lincoln	Salvation Army	2625 Potter St.	402-474-6263
Loup City	Central Nebraska Community Services	617 O St.	308-745-0780
McCook	Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska	108 West C St.	308-345-1187
Nebraska City	Nebraska City Center for Children and Families	917 Wildwood Lane	402-873-6502
Nebraska City	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	917 Wildwood Lane, Suite C	402-873-6459
Norfolk	Northeast Nebraska Community Action	1405 Riverside Blvd.	402-371-0377
Norfolk	Salvation Army	112 N. 7 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-379-4663
North Platte	Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska	901 E. 10 <sup>th</sup> St.	308-532-3250
Omaha	Eastern Nebraska Community Action Partnership	2406 Fowler St.	402-453-5656 215
Omaha	Eastern Nebraska Office on Aging	4223 Center St.	402-444-6536
Omaha	Holy Family Church	1715 Izard St.	402-341-6561
Omaha	Juan Diego Center	5211 S. 31 <sup>st</sup> St.	402-731-5413
Omaha	Open Door Mission	2706 N. 21 <sup>st</sup> St. E	402-422-1111
Omaha	Salvation Army	3612 Cuming St.	402-898-5900
Omaha	Together, Inc.	1616 Cass St.	402-345-8047
O'Neill	Central Nebraska Community Services	202 S. 10 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-336-4298
Pawnee City	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	549 F St.	402-852-2208
Pender	Northeast Nebraska Community Action Partnership	603 Earl St.	402-385-6300/or 877-529-2207
Plattsmouth	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	702 Main St.	402-297-7418

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Seward	Blue Valley Community Action	105 S. 6 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-643-6425
S. Sioux City	Northeast Nebraska Community Action	2120 Dakota Ave., Suite A	402-494-8312
Superior	Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska	410 N. Central	402-879-3715
Tecumseh	Southeast Nebraska Community Action	172 S. 4 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-335-2134
Tekamah	Chatt Senior Center	1124 S. 13 <sup>th</sup> St.	402-374-2570
Wilber	Saline Elder Care	109 W. 3 <sup>rd</sup> St.	402-821-3330
York	Blue Valley Community Action	3401 N. Lincoln Ave.	402-362-3516