

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE

Lewis County Department of Social Services is able to provide emergency assistance for health and safety items such as furnaces and hot water heaters damaged or lost in the recent flooding. The income guidelines are listed by program area and vary based on household composition. The Department of Social Services must also review available resources such as bank accounts as part of the eligibility process.

EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO FAMILIES (EAF)

provides assistance to meet the emergency needs of pregnant persons and families with at least one child under age 18, or under age 19 and regularly attending full time secondary school.

The families income must be at or below the 200% of Federal Poverty level and meet other specific requirements such as:

- The children are living with an eligible relative.
- The emergency must be the result of a sudden occurrence or situation, unforeseen and beyond the applicant's control.
- The assistance is necessary to avoid destitution of the children or to provide living arrangements for them in a home.

Family Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$30,120	\$2,510
2	\$40,880	\$3,407
3	\$51,640	\$4,303
4	\$62,400	\$5,200
5	\$73,160	\$6,097
6	\$83,920	\$6,993
7	\$94,680	\$7,890
8	\$105,440	\$8,787

EMERGENCY SAFETY NET ASSISTANCE

Emergency Safety Net Assistance provides a one-time financial assistance grant to eligible single adults and childless couples facing an emergency.

Household Size	Annual Income	Monthly Income
1	\$18,825	\$1,569
2	\$25,550	\$2,129
3	\$32,275	\$2,690
4	\$39,000	\$3,250
5	\$45,725	\$3,810
6	\$52,450	\$4,371
7	\$59,175	\$4,931
8	\$65,900	\$5,492
Additional	\$6,725	\$560

The amount of the grant is determined on a case-by-case basis and is based on the type of emergency. To qualify for an ESNA grant, the applying household must be facing an emergency, and must meet citizenship/immigration, residency, and financial requirements, including having a household income that falls below 125% of the federal poverty level for the household size (the 125% standard does not apply in the case of fuel or utility-related emergencies or catastrophes). The household's resources will be evaluated to determine if there are sufficient resources to meet the emergency.

You DO NOT have to be eligible for ongoing Temporary Assistance to receive Emergency Assistance.

For more information
or to apply



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