

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## CITY OF LONG BEACH UTILITY USERS TAX REFUND INCOME LIMITS EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2022

Effective the date above the following are the household income limits, established by the California Public Utilities Commission for residents whose age is **62 years or older and for disabled persons.**

Number of persons in the household	Combined gross income for all members of the household (including taxable and non-taxable income)
1 or 2	\$34,840
3 or more	\$43,920

## Low-Income Discount Eligibility Application

The Long Beach Energy Resources Department (LBER) provides a 20% discount on the monthly gas bill for eligible households. To apply for this discount, please complete this application and submit with the required documents to the address provided. The discount will be applied once your completed and signed application is approved by LBER.

### Conditions For Participation:

- The City utility bill is in your name and the address must be your primary address;
- You must not be claimed as a dependent on another person's income tax return other than your spouse;
- The annual gross Maximum Household Income does not exceed the applicable value in the chart below;
- You will notify LBER within 30 days if you no longer qualify for this rate; and,
- You understand that you must reapply for the Low Income Gas Discount Program every two years (otherwise the discount will be cancelled until your new application is received. Discount will not be retroactive.).

Non-Profit Group Living Facilities are eligible if the following conditions are present:

- The facility has separate gas meter;
- Each resident meets the low-income eligibility standard for a single person household; and,
- 70% of the energy consumed on the low-income gas discount rate must be for residential purposes; and,
- A copy of the most recent Non-profit Tax ID form 501 (c)(3), current California Adult Residential Facility License and/or Condition Use Permit for Homeless Shelter must be provided.

### HOW TO QUALIFY FOR THE LOW INCOME GAS DISCOUNT

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS
If you or someone in your household participates in any of these programs:
Medicaid or Medi-cal, Healthy Families A&B, Women, Infants & Children (WIC), CalWORKs (TANF), Tribal TANF, Head Start Income Eligible - Tribal Only, Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, CalFresh/SNAP (Food Stamps), National School Lunch Program (NSLP), Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP and/or Supplemental Security Income (SSI)

OR

MAXIMUM HOUSEHOLD INCOME* Effective June 1, 2021	
Number of Persons in Household	Total Annual Income
1-2	\$34,840
3	\$43,920
4	\$53,000
5	\$62,080
Each additional household member please add	\$9,080

\*Current household income from all sources before deductions

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## CARE/FERA Programs

(Discounts on energy bills for income qualified households)

### California Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE)

Low-income customers that are enrolled in the CARE program receive a 30-35<sup>1</sup> percent discount on their electric bill and a 20 percent discount on their natural gas bill.

To request an application form and more information, please contact your utility company or check out their websites for more information. The utilities the Commission regulates are

Phone Numbers and Websites for Energy Assistance Programs		
Utility	Emergency Payment	Website
PG&E	866-743-2273	CARE
Edison	866-675-6623	CARE
SDG&E	800-411-7343	CARE
SoCalGas	800-427-2200	CARE
Alpine Nat'l Gas	209-772-3006	PROGRAMS
Bear Valley Elect	800-808-2837	CARE
PacifiCorp	888-221-7070	Financial Assistance
Liberty Utilities	800-782-2506	CARE
Southwest Gas	877-860-6020	Special Programs
West Coast Gas	916-364-4100	CARE

Eligible customers are those whose total household income is at or below the income limits indicated below.

Income limits are effective through May 31, 2022.

CARE Income Guidelines*	
Household Size	Income Eligibility Upper Limit
1-2	\$34,840
3	\$43,920
4	\$53,000
5	\$62,080
6	\$71,160
7	\$80,240
8	\$89,320
Each Additional Person	\$9,080
* Effective June 1, 2021 to May 31, 2022	

Customers may also be eligible for CARE if they are enrolled in public assistance programs such as Medicaid/Medi-Cal, Women, Infants and Children Program (WIC), Healthy Families A & B, National School Lunch's Free Lunch Program (NSL), Food Stamps/SNAP, Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP), Head Start Income Eligible (Tribal Only), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Bureau of Indian Affairs General Assistance, and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) or Tribal TANF.

<sup>1</sup>For the CARE Program, electrical corporations with 100,000 or more customer accounts in California offer a 30% - 35% discount as required by Public Utilities Code Section 739.1. Electrical corporations with fewer than 100,000 customer accounts in California offer a 20% discount.