**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**

**Members Assistance Department**

**2018-2019**

LIHEAP Assistance Payment Matrix

 **LRBOI Income guidelines**

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| Family SizeMI | **Heating Assistance**Not to exceed 60% State Median Income | **Crisis Assistance**Not to exceed 150%FPIG  |
| 1 | $25,456 | $18,210 |
| 2 | $33,288 | $24,690 |
| 3 | $41,121 | $31,170 |
| 4 | $48,953 | $37,650 |
| 5 | $56,785 | $44,130 |
| 6 | $64,618 | $50,610 |
| 7 | $66,086 | $57,090 |
| 8 | $67,555 | $63,570 |
| For each additional person after 6 add 3% for each person to 132% & multiply by Family Size of 4 median income.  | Each additional add: $4,320 |

**Assistance Matrix**

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| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Percentage of Income Median | Propane | Natural Gas | Electric | Fuel Oil | Coal/Wood |
| Under 60% | $1000.00 | $675.00 | $450.00 | $425.00 | $650.00 |
| 60.1 % to 70% | $950.00 | $600.00 | $425.00 | $400.00 | $625.00 |
| 70.1% to 80% | $900.00 | $525.00 | $400.00 | $375.00 | $600.00 |
| 80.1 % to 90% | $850.00 | $450.00 | $375.00 | $350.00 | $575.00 |
| 90.1% to 100% | $800.00 | $375.00 | $350.00 | $325.00 | $550.00 |

Apply amount to resolve heat burden. Not to exceed amount stated on current utility bill when resources are between 80.1% or higher and when there is no evidence of consistent payment on utility.

Determining Benefits:

1. Using the Income Criteria Spreadsheet, enter annual income. To determine income refer to the income eligibility guidelines above. If applicant is eligible, proceed to #2. If the household is not eligible for benefits, complete the Eligibility Determination Form and process denial.

2. Divide annual gross income by the income guidelines used

for the household size and determine the percentage of

poverty income to determine assistance amount. Refer to the

Assistance Matrix above and LIHEAP Income Determination Form in

Shared Folder.

3. Complete the Eligibility Determination Form and process check request.

4. Update applicant database.

**Required documentation:**

Complete application and supporting documentation,

Denial for services from an agency or;

Shut off notice

And; Utility Bill

Application will not be processed until all required documentation is received.