

Tennessee Housing Development Agency
LIHEAP Operational Manual for Regular and Crisis Assistance

2.8 Priority Points and Benefit Levels Matrices

Income Based on Family Size (35 Point Maximum)

% of Federal Poverty Guidelines	Points
0-50%	35 points
51-75%	30 points
76-100%	25 points
101-125%	20 points
126-150%	15 points

Energy Burden (20 point maximum)

% of Income Used for Home Energy Cost	Points
14% or higher	20 points
9-13%	15 points
4-8%	10 points
1-3%	5 points

Vulnerable Household Members (55 point maximum)

Household with:	Points
Elderly (70 years or older)	15 points
Elderly (60-69 years)	10 points
Disabled, self-declared	10 points
Children under 6 years of age	10 points
Adult Protective Services (APS) Referral	10 points
Six (6) or more persons	5 points
Veteran or Active Military	5 points

Benefit Levels

Total Points	Benefit Amount
0-50 points	\$350.00 \$175.00 if client lives in Public Housing and only pays utility "overage"
55-75 points	\$500.00 \$250.00 if client lives in Public Housing and only pays utility "overage"
80-110 points	\$650.00 \$325.00 if client lives in Public Housing and only pays utility "overage"