



Energy Conservation

Energy Programs Director: Dan Rauser

LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program): makes a one-time payment towards the primary heat source for eligible households in the form of a credit applied directly to the utility company. Program begins October 1 for persons who are 60 and/or older and/or has someone in the household who is disabled; and November 1 – April 30 everyone else can apply.

Counties: All

Program Manager: Sandy Gilbert (sgilbert@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: homeowners and renters are eligible, at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.

Application: paper applications are available at all sites in English only. Online applications can be translated into multiple languages. Phone interpreters available.

Energy Crisis Program (ECIP):

The Energy Crisis Program (ECIP) - Assists households with disconnections, reconnections, missed a payment on a pay arrangement, or less than 30% LP. LIHEAP eligible clients are protected from November 1 through March 31 by the moratorium and cannot not be disconnected.

Crisis Furnace Assistance - If someone has a no-heat or low-heat situation with their furnace, ECIP can assist LIHEAP eligible homeowners from October 1 through April 30.

Emergency Cooling Assistance - If there is a household member with a medical need, ECIP can assist with central air repairs for homeowners, or window air conditioners for homeowners or renters from May 1 – September 30.

Counties: All

Program Manager: Sandy Gilbert

Client Eligibility: homeowners and renters are eligible, at or below 200% of federal poverty guidelines.

Application: paper applications are available at all sites in English only. Online applications can be translated into multiple languages. Phone interpreters available.

Weatherization: works to reduce personal utility costs by improving the housing stock of low-income individuals and families.

Counties: All



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Application: households approved for LIHEAP are automatically applied for weatherization services. Persons may apply for Weatherization only if they choose.

Contact Information for all Energy Conservation Programs:

Contact their local HACAP office, email energy@hacap.org, or call 319-739-0100.



Health and Nutrition

Health and Nutrition Directors

Benton County Rural Senior Services Director: Linda Lough

Family and Community Health Alliance Director: Debbie

Ackerman Food Reservoir Director: Aron Brecht

1st Five: goal of improving rates of developmental screening in primary healthcare and to provide connections to early intervention services and community resources for referred children.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Manager: Dani Pershing (Remote, dpershing@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: must receive referral from primary care physician.

Application: None.

Child Care Nurse Consultant (CCNC): works with Iowa Early Care and Education programs to provide free onsite consultation, training, technical assistance, information and referrals, and care planning for children with special health needs.

Counties: Linn, and Jones and Benton

Linn County CCNC: Angela Easley (Corporate, aeasley@hacap.org)

Benton and Jones CCNC: Vacant (Benton and Jones)

Client Eligibility: works directly with child care centers and homes.

Application: available with consultation with CCNC.

Food Pantries: HACAP Food Reservoir works with local agencies to support food pantries accessible to all. People interested in starting a food pantry should contact the Food Reservoir. Map of pantries found on HACAP website.

Counties: Benton, Cedar, Iowa, Johnson, Jones, Linn, Washington

Regional Partnership Coordinators: Hailey Carr, Jim Mabry, Mallory Stewart

Client Eligibility: Identified need for food. TEFAP has income guidelines and some pantries have other criteria.

Application: None needed

Hawki (Healthy and Well Kids in Iowa) Outreach: provide outreach to schools, faith-based organizations, special populations, and employees without access to employer-sponsored health insurance to inform them of Hawki benefits.



Health and Nutrition

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Contact: Tara Jennings (Urban, (319) 551-4329 or hawki-medicaid@hacap.org)

Informing/Care for Kids: staff have conversations with families newly eligible for Medicaid, promoting health and wellness of children birth to age 21.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Contact: Tina Carroll (Remote, tcarroll@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: Determined by Iowa Health and Human Services.

Application: None.

ISmile: connects children and pregnant women living in Iowa with dental, medical, and community resources.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Contact: hacapdental@hacap.org

Client Eligibility: These services are offered in conjunction with WIC. Standalone services are available only at publicized community events.

Application: None.

Maternal Health (MCAH – Title V) promotes healthy pregnancies, providing health care services through public and private collaborative efforts. May include clinic or home visits with nurse.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Contact: Jennifer Martin (Sites Vary, jmartin@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: Referred by medical provider, WIC, or Linn County Public Health.

Application: none

Child and Adolescent Health (MCAH – Title V) promotes the health of Iowa's children, youth, and adolescents by providing health care services through public and private collaborative efforts.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Director: Diana Strahan (Corporate, dstrahan@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: These services are offered in conjunction with WIC. Standalone services are available only at publicized community events.

Application: None.

Mobile Food Pantries: Food distributed monthly in areas with limited access to food resources. Schedule on HACAP website.



Health and Nutrition

Counties: Benton, Cedar, Iowa, Jones, Linn, Washington

Program Manager: Angie Albright

Client Eligibility: Identified need for food. TEFAP has income guidelines and some pantries have other criteria.

Application: TEFAP form signed once per year. Available in multiple languages.

Senior Dining: Offers nutritious hot noon meals on-site, carryout, or home delivered. Frozen meals and liquid supplements are also available

Counties: Benton and Iowa (meal sites in Belle Plaine, Vinton, and Marengo)

Program Director: Linda Lough (Vinton, (319) 472-4761 ext. 2008, llough@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: Age 60 and older are eligible to make a contribution for their meal. All others are required to pay for their meal.

Application: only for the Belle Plaine Hub – pickup at center.

WIC (Women, Infants, and Children): provides nutritious foods to supplement diets, information on healthy eating, and referrals to health care.

Counties: Benton, Jones, Linn

Program Manager: Angie Munson (varies, amunson@hacap.org)

Program Contact: Call Urban at (319) 366-7632

Client Eligibility: individuals who are pregnant, postpartum (up to 6 months after the end of the pregnancy), or breastfeeding (up to the child's first birthday) and children up to 5 years old. Household's income cannot be above 185% of federal poverty income guidelines. Households that are eligible for SNAP, Medicaid, TANF are automatically eligible. Families enrolled in Head Start are eligible.

Application: Completed at the time of the appointment. Call to schedule. Phone interpreters available.



Affordable Housing and Homelessness

Affordable Housing and Homelessness Director: Heather Harney

Affordable Housing: Working to provide affordable housing for low-income families. HACAP manages a number of apartments and single-family dwellings for low-income families.

Counties: Benton, Johnson, Linn, and Washington

Program Contact: Tiyada Purk (at Inn Circle)

Email: housing@hacap.org

Phone: (319) 550-3528

Client Eligibility: depends on the county. Contact Tiyada for information.

Application: Download an application on our website. It is available in English only and must be submitted with:

- \$25 per adult non-refundable application fee
- driver's license or other picture ID
- past 30 day income documentation for each adult listed on application
- letter from the shelter or the person the client is staying with if they are staying in a shelter or with family or friends.

Homelessness: selective case management, working closely with area partners.

Counties: See below

Program Contact: Jordan Dumolien

Email: housing@hacap.org

Phone: (319) 366-7631 x1502

Client Eligibility: must be homeless (living in a place not intended for human habitation, doubled up ...)

Application: no application for clients – HACAP works directly with area partners to identify those in need.

If a client is currently experiencing homelessness, they should contact the Coordinated Entry Agency in their county:

- Benton, Jones, and Linn: Waypoint (319) 366-7999
- Delaware, Dubuque, and Jackson: Community Solutions of Eastern Iowa (833) 587-8322
- Johnson and Washington: Shelter House (319) 351-0326

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Children

Early Childhood Programs Director: Christi Regan

Head Start/Early Head Start: comprehensive early childhood development programs with an overall goal of increasing school readiness of young children in low-income families. In addition, Early Head Start provides a home program for pregnant women and children through the age of 3. Provided at no cost to families.

Counties: All

Contact for Applicants: Stacy King (sking@hacap.org)

Client Eligibility: children from birth to age five from families with low income, according to the poverty guidelines published by the federal government. Children in foster care, homeless children, and children from families receiving public assistance are also eligible regardless of income. May enroll children from families that have incomes above the poverty guidelines.

Application: applications available in English only. Phone interpreters available.

Child and Adult Care Food Program (CACFP): offers financial reimbursement to providers serving nutritious meals to children in their care, along with offering free nutrition training, in-home provider support, and professional development.

Counties:

Program Manager:

Client Eligibility: Child cares (center and home-based)

Application: available through Program Manager

Family Learning Connection: family learning groups for families with young children ages 0-5 in Linn County. No cost.

County: Linn

Program Manager: Amy Becker

Client Eligibility: must reside in Linn County

Application: register online for classes.



Veteran Support

Veteran Supports Director: Heather Harney

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF): for income eligible Veterans, SSVF provides case management and supportive services to prevent the imminent loss of a Veteran's home or to rapidly re-house Veterans and their families who are homeless and might remain homeless without this assistance.

Counties: Benton, Blackhawk, Buchanan, Cedar, Delaware, Dubuque, Iowa, Jackson, Johnson, Jones, Linn, Washington

Program Manager: Heather Harney

Contact: (319) 739-0012 or housing@hacap.org

Client Eligibility: must be a veteran or have a veteran in the household with at least 1 day of active duty, must meet income guidelines, can serve any discharge status except dishonorable, and live in the listed service area counties above.

Application: Available through program contacts.