

Energy Resources for Sagadahoc County and Dresden

Energy Assistance

Maine State Housing Authority Energy Assistance

To apply in Sagadahoc County and the Town of Dresden, contact Midcoast Community Action, Lincoln, Sagadahoc Counties, Bath, 207-442-7963.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (commonly called LIHEAP or HEAP) provides money to low income homeowners and renters to help pay heating costs. The funds are distributed throughout Maine by 11 Community Action Programs, in most cases directly to the fuel vendors. The program is not intended to pay for all heating costs, but to assist in paying the heating bills.

Low Income Assistance Program

Low Income Assistance Plans (LIAP) help low-income homeowners and renters with their electric utility bills. MaineHousing, through Community Action Program agencies, accepts customer applications for LIAP as part of the LIHEAP application process.

Weatherization

MaineHousing's Weatherization Program and Central Heating Improvement Program (CHIP) provide grants to low-income homeowners and renters to improve home energy efficiency and perform energy-related repairs.

Appliance Replacement Program

The Appliance Replacement Program is designed to help low-income households reduce their energy costs through replacement of older refrigerators and other home appliances that are inefficient and expensive to operate, and through consumer education.

Home Energy Loan Program

The Home Energy Loan Program (HELP) provides very low interest rate loans to low- and moderate-income homeowners to finance improvements to make their homes more energy efficient. Income eligible homeowners may borrow up to \$30,000 at 3.95% interest.

Additional Assistance Programs:

Contact your municipal government for General Assistance and local programs

- Arrowsic – 207-443-4609 or www.arrowsic.org/
- Bath – 207-443-8330 or www.cityofbath.com
- Bowdoin – 207-353-6949 or www.bowdoinme.com
- Bowdoinham – 207-666-5531 or www.bowdoinham.com
- Dresden - 207 737-4335 or www.townofdresden.com

- Georgetown - 207-371-2820 or www.maine.gov/local/sagadahoc/georgetown/
- Phippsburg - 207-389-2653 or www.phippsburg.com
- Richmond – 207-737-4305 or www.richmondmaine.com
- Topsham – 207-785- www.topshammaine.com
- West Bath – 207-443-4342 or www.westbath.govoffice.com
- Woolwich - 207-442-8723 or www.woolwichme.com

Contact 2-1-1

- Call 2-1-1 or log onto www.211maine.org

2-1-1 Maine, Inc. is a 501 (c)(3) whose mission is to connect anyone in Maine who wants to give help or get help with a full range of health and human services in their community.

Energy Audits

- Maine State Housing Authority – Maine Certified Energy Auditors
<http://www.mainehousing.org/ENERGYAuditServices.aspx>

Energy auditors are home inspectors who evaluate your home to identify areas where energy efficiency improvements can save you money. Certified energy auditors have taken a two week class and passed an associated exam. – Maine State Housing Authority.

Efficiency Maine

Efficiency Maine is a statewide effort to promote the more efficient use of electricity, help Maine residents and businesses reduce energy costs, and improve Maine's environment. Efficiency Maine is funded by electricity consumers and administered by the Maine Public Utilities Commission.

Click on www.energymaine.com to learn more about:

- *Energy Saving Programs*
- *Energy Saving Tips*
- *Renewable Energy*
- *Residential and Business Programs*
- *Education and Training*
- *And much more!*

Maine Home Performance

www.mainehomeperformance.org

The Maine Home Performance with Energy Star® (MaineHP) Program links Maine homeowners with qualified, certified Evaluators who provide one-stop-shop access to a whole-house approach to home improvements.

- *reduce your energy costs*
- *improve the health and safety of your home*
- *increase your personal comfort*
- *extend the longevity of your building and appliances*
- *lower your carbon footprint*
- *increase the value of your home*
- *improve your home with Maine Home Performance and get this Certificate of Energy-Saving Improvements*

MaineEnergyInfo.com

www.maineenergyinfo.com

MaineEnergyInfo.com – a cooperative project of 9 State agencies to provide easy access to Maine energy information.

This site provides links to Maine energy information located on dozens of State, federal, and industry websites. We hope there is something for everyone – homeowners and businesses looking for energy conservation tips, children and teachers looking for educational materials, and policymakers and stakeholders looking for industry data and trends.

Mid-Coast Green Collaborative

<http://www.midcoastgreencollaborative.org/index.html>

Midcoast Green Collaborative is a 501(C)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to community building. We are a group of business persons, public officials and other citizens from the Damariscotta area who have joined together to promote a viable "green" program of socially responsible economic growth in Midcoast Maine that will help answer the need for new, well paying jobs in a revitalized, balanced economy built on the production of goods, rather than just services, retail sales, and tourism.

Maine Cool Communities

http://maine.sierraclub.org/Maine_Cool_Cities.htm

The Sierra Club Cool Cities has over 400 cities in 50 states signed on. Many Maine communities have already joined in; your community could be next! Let's get more cities and communities involved. For more information, or to get involved, call us at 761-5616.

The Governor's Energy Office

<http://www.maine.gov/governor/baldacci/policy/energy.shtml>

- [Governor Baldacci's Pre-Emergency Energy Task Force Final Report](#) These files require either Microsoft Word or the [Word Viewer](#).
- [Energy Report Appendix I](#)
- [Energy Report Appendix II](#)
- [Free Fare Fridays](#). This file requires either Microsoft Word or the [Word Viewer](#).
- [Governor Baldacci Rolls Out Program to Save Diesel Costs and Reduce Pollution](#)
- [The Governor's Energy Efficiency Summit](#)