

Utility Services Protection Program (USPP)

What is the Utility Services Protection Program (USPP)?

USPP protects low- and moderate-income Maryland families from utility cut-offs. USPP helps families (who are eligible for the Maryland Energy Assistance Program (MEAP)) create payment programs with their utility companies.

How does it work?

USPP monthly payment plans are based on average yearly utility usage (minus any Maryland Energy Assistance Program benefit). Eligibility is based on income, but you may automatically be eligible if you are low income and elderly or disabled, receiving Temporary Cash Assistance, Supplemental Security Income, Food Stamps or certain veterans or Social Security disability benefits.

Immigration Status

To receive USPP, you must be a US citizen and Maryland resident.

How does one apply?

Contact the [Prince George's County Department of Social Services](#). Download the [application](#) found on the [Maryland Department of Human Resources Home Energy Program](#) webpage.

Contact Information

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