

South Carolina LIHEAP :

CAMPAIGN FOR
HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE

Number Served: In 2009 SC LIHEAP provided roughly **18,200 households with LIHEAP financial assistance** (There are 634,775 eligible households in the state).

Under 75%	78%
75%-100%	18%
101%-150%	3%

Eligibility: SC families receiving LIHEAP assistance have incomes below 150 of the federal poverty level. The majority fall well below the cap.

Elderly	56%
Disabled	31%
Children under 5	20%

Demographic: SC LIHEAP helps the most vulnerable:

Average Award: Average SC household assistance benefit was \$225 in 2006. Nationally, the average benefit covered only 8% of household winter heating bills.

Federal Poverty Guidelines: LIHEAP Family of Four

100%	125%	150%
\$22,050	\$27,563	\$33,075

SC Funding:

The Fiscal Year 2010 Appropriations bill includes \$5.1 billion for LIHEAP, which will provide SC with **\$55.5 million** in funding.

As the chart displays, an increase in LIHEAP funding will enable SC to distribute assistance to a greater number of eligible households.

Source:

LIHEAP Energy Notebook, FY06
National Energy Assistance Directors Association

Fiscal Year	Base	Contingency	Total	South Carolina allocation	Households Served
2010	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$55.5 m	TBD
2009	\$4.5 b	\$590 m	\$5.1 b	\$47.3 m	18,218
2008	\$1.98b	\$590 m	\$2.57 b	\$15.3 m	13,100

* The Administration has \$100 million remaining in contingency funding