



LIHWAP may be able to assist you with overdue water and wastewater bills.

What is LIHWAP?

The Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP) is a temporary emergency program to help low-income families pay overdue water bills. LIHWAP is a grant. You do not have to repay it.

To receive help...

- Apply starting **NOW**.
- You don't have to be on public assistance.
- You need to have an unpaid water bill.
- Reside in St. Mary's county; you can either rent or own your home.

How does LIHWAP work?

LIHWAP Crisis grants may be available if you have an emergency situation and are in jeopardy of losing your water service. You can receive one Crisis grant for your drinking water service and one Crisis grant for your wastewater service, up to \$2,000 each.

Crisis situations include:

- Past-due water bills.
- Termination of utility service.
- Danger of having utility service terminated (received a notice that service will be shut off within the next 60 days).

How do I apply?

Apply online at www.smtccac.org

Request an application by calling the Southern Maryland Tri-County Community Action Committee-Energy Assistance @ 301-274-4474 Option 1

Applications are available at the Southern Maryland Tri-County Community Action Committee @ 8371 Old Leonardtown Road Hughesville, MD 20637

Who is eligible?

You may qualify for a LIHWAP grant if:

- You must have an overdue water bill that you are responsible for paying.
- Your household income meets the following income guidelines:

Maximum Monthly Gross (before taxes) Income Standards for Households (Effective July 1, 2022, to June 30, 2023, based on 60% of the State Median Income)	
1	\$3,324 / mo
2	\$4,347 / mo
3	\$5,369 / mo
4	\$6,392 / mo
5	\$7,415 / mo
6	\$8,438 / mo
7	\$8,630 / mo
8	\$8,821 / mo
For each additional household member add: \$192 / mo	

After your application is processed, you will receive a written notice that will tell you if you qualify. If eligible, it will tell you the amount of your grant

To apply, you will need:

- Names of people in your household.
- Dates of birth for all household members.
- Social Security numbers for all household members.
- Proof of income for all household members; and
- A recent water bill.

