



The Nebraska Equal Justice Clearinghouse

Nebraska Energy Study

Nebraska Appleseed is conducting a survey to gather information about how you pay home heating bills and what you do to make them more affordable. Please take a moment to complete the following questionnaire then just click the submit button. Thank you for your time.

If you would like more information on Nebraska Appleseed's work in this area and ongoing relief efforts, click [here](#) to email us.

1. To make my heating bills more affordable in the winter months, I (check all that apply):

- close off rooms
- put plastic over the windows
- turn the thermostat below 65 degrees when home
- wear layers of clothing
- turn the hot water heater down/off

2. When I can't afford to pay the heating bill, I (check all that apply):

- don't pay the full rent/house payment
- don't pay other bills
- go without food for at least one day
- go without needed medical/dental care and/or medicine
- use credit cards to buy fuel, food, or medicine
- borrow money from friends or family
- move in with friends or family
- seek fuel assistance from the community (church, community action agency, etc.)
- go to bed early and with extra blankets
- leave home for the day
- request a payment plan from the utility company
- change the bill into another person's name
- don't pay the heating bill
- other:

3. Did you apply for energy assistance last winter?

Yes

No - If No, why not?

4. My household includes (check all that apply):

a senior citizen (anyone over 60 years old)

a child or children 2 years or younger

dependents between the ages of 3 and 18 years old

a wage earner

a veteran

an unemployed worker

a public assistance recipient

a food stamp recipient

5. I learned about available energy assistance plan(s) from (check all that apply):

a relative

a friend or acquaintance

a caseworker

my utility company

the newspaper

a radio or television announcement

a poster/handbill

6. I need energy assistance programs because: