

PROJECT TEEM**Home Weatherization Program Available For Income-Eligible Customers**

Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio and the Community Action Partnership of the Greater Dayton Area (Dayton CAP) are teaming up to help customers weatherize their homes for free!

To qualify for Project TEEM, you must:

- Be a Vectren Ohio natural gas customer
- Meet income eligibility requirements (See chart at right)
- Be available for in-home inspection and installation appointments

TEEM Income Eligibility Requirements

<u>Household size</u>	<u>Annual Income</u>
1 person	\$35,640
2 persons	\$48,060
3 persons	\$60,480
4 persons	\$72,900
5 persons	\$85,320
6 persons	\$97,740
7 persons	\$110,190
8 persons	\$122,670

For family units with more than eight members, add \$12,480 for each additional member.

The weatherization process is easy:

Call **1-800-617-2673** to see if you qualify.

1. If you're eligible, we'll work with you to schedule an in-home energy audit.
2. The Project TEEM crew will come to your house, perform an energy audit and identify improvements that will make your home more energy efficient.
3. The Project TEEM professionals will then implement the necessary energy-efficiency improvements to your home at no cost.

The timeline for the in-home energy audit and home improvements will vary by home. It may take several weeks or even months to initiate and complete this process given the limited number of crews and potential backlog of qualifying applicants. Please be patient through this process. For a complete list of details, please visit www.vectren.com, click on the Save Energy tab, select Ohio and scroll down to Weatherization Programs.

CHOICE OPT-OUT

Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio (VEDO) is required to include your name, address and usage information on a list of eligible customers that is made available to other retail natural gas suppliers or governmental aggregators. If you do not wish to be included on this list, you can inform us online at www.vectrenchoice.com in the FAQ section, or you can send a written request to:

Vectren Energy Delivery
Choice Program Administration
P.O. Box 209
Evansville, IN 47702-0209

Also, you can call Vectren at 1-800-227-1376 and use the automated phone system to complete the process. Even if you remove your name from the list, you can still participate in Ohio Choice. If you have previously notified Vectren that you wish to have your name removed from the supplier list, it is not necessary for you to take any action.

Ohio Winter Rules 2016–2017

Customer Service

1-800-227-1376 • Monday–Friday • 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Energy Efficiency

1-866-240-8476 • Monday–Friday • 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA) offers several programs to help low-income customers pay their utility bills and improve the energy efficiency of their homes. Customers may apply for the following programs offered through ODSA:

Home Energy

Assistance Program

(HEAP) is a federally funded program that provides financial assistance to eligible consumers with their winter heating bills. The qualification guidelines are listed at right. For

households with more than eight members, add \$7,280 for each individual additional household member.

Home Weatherization Assistance Program (HWAP)

is a federally funded program designed to reduce the energy consumption measures in eligible homes at no cost to residents.

To apply for any of the above-mentioned programs, please contact the ODSA at <http://energyhelp.ohio.gov> or 1-800-282-0880. Hearing or speech impaired customers may contact the ODSA via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service). You may also contact your local Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services for additional assistance. Vectren can mail an application to you upon request. If you meet the income guidelines above, you may qualify for telephone assistance. Please contact your local telephone company for details.

SPECIAL PAYMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Special payment arrangements are provided if you or other household members' health could be adversely affected should gas service be terminated. Arrangements of this kind require proper certification by a licensed physician or board of health physician. Please call 1-800-227-1376 for more information.

SPECIAL WINTER PLANS

During the winter heating season, Vectren offers a one-third plan for any bills that include usage from November 1 to April 15. The one-third plan requires payment of one-third of the balance due each month (past due amount plus current bill).

From October 17, 2016 through April 14, 2017, you may use the Winter Reconnect Order to maintain or reconnect your service for a maximum payment of \$175. Please call Vectren at 1-800-227-1376 to protect your utility service once you have paid \$175. PIPP Plus customers must pay any PIPP Plus default over \$175 before being enrolled

HEAP Qualification Guidelines

Household size	Gross Income
1 person	up to \$20,790
2 persons	up to \$28,035
3 persons	up to \$35,280
4 persons	up to \$42,525
5 persons	up to \$49,770
6 persons	up to \$57,015
7 persons	up to \$64,277
8 persons	up to \$71,557

in PIPP Plus. You must also apply for available energy assistance programs and/or make a payment arrangement with Vectren for any remaining balances. If you are eligible, you may receive assistance through the Emergency Home Energy Assistance Program (EHEAP) or other energy assistance programs. EHEAP provides financial assistance once per heating season to eligible households that are disconnected, seeking disconnection avoidance or to connect. Contact your local Community Action Program for an appointment.

PAYMENT PLANS

You may avoid disconnection by entering into a payment arrangement with Vectren. Reduced payments can be made and disconnection avoided, if you are eligible for the Percent of Income Payment Plan (PIPP Plus) or another extended payment plan, and make payments as agreed upon. Call Vectren at 1-800-227-1376 or contact your local Community Action Program for more information.

PIPP Plus is available if

your total income is at or below 150% of the Federal poverty level. PIPP Plus requires you to pay a percentage of your total monthly household income to your regulated utility companies. This program

does not reduce or waive energy costs; it only establishes a payment plan to allow you to maintain your utility service. PIPP Plus offers a payment incentive. Each time you pay your PIPP Plus installment on time and in full, a portion of your old debt and the rest of that month's bill will go away in the form of credits on your utility account. The qualification guidelines are listed above. For households with more than six members, add \$6,240 for each individual additional household member.

The One-Sixth-Payment Plan allows you to pay one-sixth of your past due balance plus your current bill each month. The One-Ninth-Payment Plan allows you to pay nine equal monthly payments on the past due balance in addition to a budget payment plan for the projected bills, which will end nine months from the initial payment.

RECONNECTION OF GAS SERVICE

If your gas service has been disconnected for non-payment, the past due amount, a deposit and a reconnection charge of \$60 will be required prior to reconnection of your gas service.

AUTHORIZED PAY SITES

Authorized pay sites are available in your neighborhood for your convenience. Please use only authorized Vectren pay sites to ensure timely postings to your account. To locate an

authorized pay site in your area, visit www.vectren.com or call 1-800-227-1376.

THIRD-PARTY NOTIFICATION

The local Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services may be notified before your gas service is disconnected. The local Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services may contact you to see if you qualify for assistance. Additionally, you may authorize a party other than you to receive notice from us that your gas service may be disconnected. If you desire to have a third party notified, please call Vectren at 1-800-227-1376.

DISPUTED BILLS

Should you have a question about a billing matter, please call us at 1-800-227-1376, and we will work with you to resolve the issue.

If your questions are not resolved after you have called Vectren, you may contact the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio (PUCO) for assistance at 1-800-686-7826 (toll free) or <http://www.puco.ohio.gov>. Hearing or speech impaired customers may contact the PUCO via 7-1-1 (Ohio Relay Service.) The Ohio Consumer's Counsel (OCC) represents residential utility customers in matters before the PUCO. The OCC can be contacted at 1-877-742-5622 (toll free) or at <http://www.pickocc.org>.

RESPONSIBILITY FOR GAS PIPING

Vectren Energy Delivery of Ohio (VEDO) is responsible for maintenance of all service lines from the gas main to the gas meter. The customer is responsible for the maintenance of all gas piping from the gas meter to all gas appliances.

Buried gas piping which is not maintained is subject to potential hazards of corrosion and leakage. For your safety, all buried gas piping should be periodically inspected for leaks. If the buried piping is metallic, it should also be periodically inspected for corrosion. If an unsafe condition is found, the gas piping will need to be promptly repaired. When digging near buried gas piping, the piping must be located in advance and digging should be done by hand. Plumbing and heating contractors can assist in locating, inspecting and repairing customers' buried pipelines.

Call Before You Dig

Ohio Revised Code states that you are responsible for calling the Ohio Utilities Protection Service (OUPS) 48 hours — but no more than 10 working days excluding weekends and legal holidays — before beginning any digging so underground utilities on your property can be marked. This will avoid a loss of service in the case of a cut line and possibly a more serious accident. Call OUPS at 811, or 1-800-362-2764, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

