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Office of Community Services



LIHEAP
Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

*National Energy Assistance Directors Association
Winter Meeting Presentation*

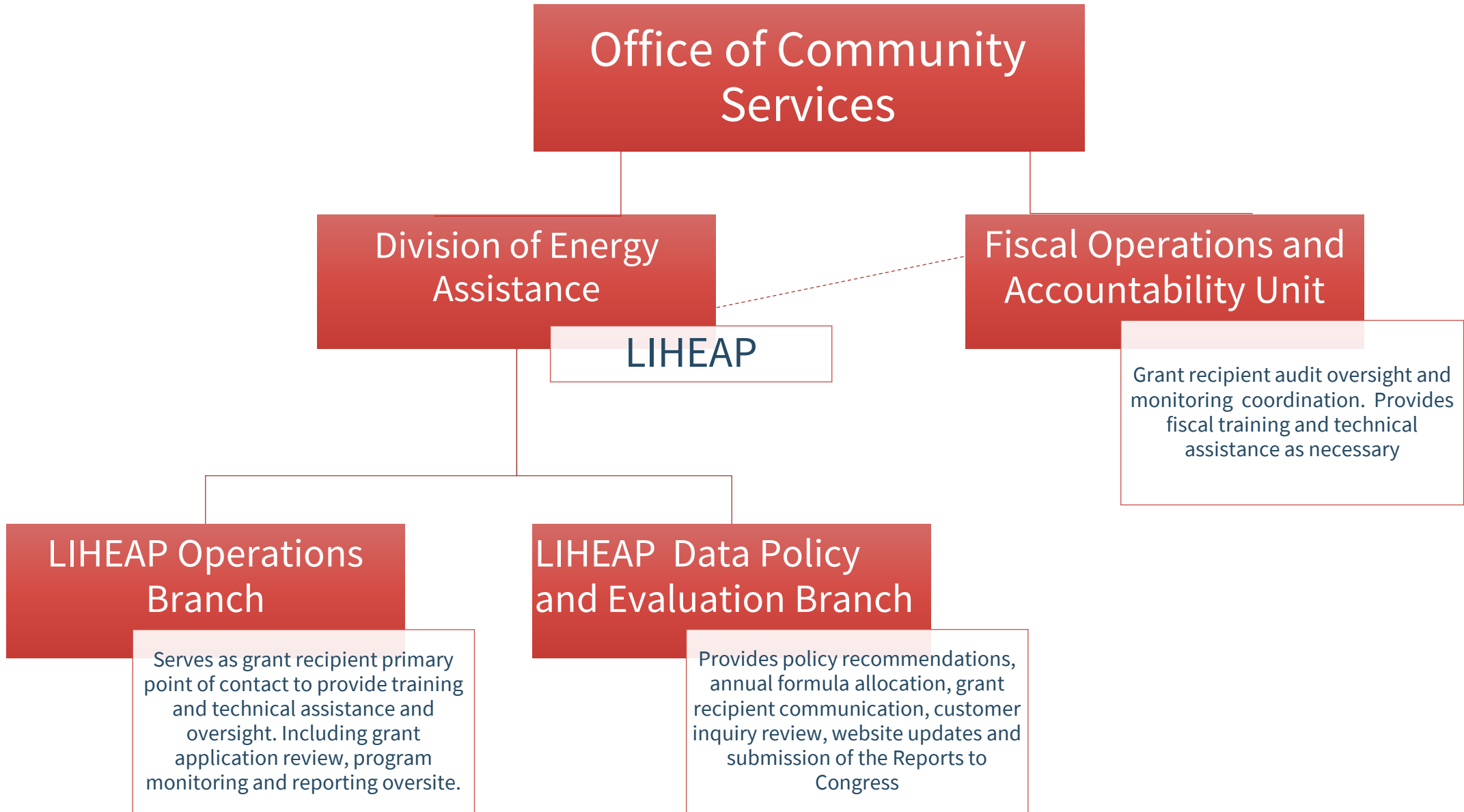
March 12, 2025



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Agenda

- **OCS and Division of Energy Assistance Updates**
- **Recent Releases and Upcoming Items**
- **Model Plan, Training and Technical Assistance**
- **Paperwork Reduction Act Process**
- **Required Federal Reporting Form Updates**
- **Compliance Monitoring Reviews and Technical Assistance**
- **Uniform Administrative Guidance Updates**



Recent Releases and Upcoming Events

- Information Memorandum - Federal Poverty Guidelines (FPG) and State Median Income (SMI)
- Action Transmittal - LIHEAP Model Plan and TTA Resources
- LIHEAP Model Plan Webinar
- LIHEAP Data Dashboard

LIHEAP funding allocations

- Current Continuing Resolutions (CR) expires March 14, 2025, at 11:59 p.m.
- Approximately 9% of unreleased LIHEAP funds will be awarded once congress releases *full year* budget.
- HHS Secretary Discretionary Reserve 1% of funding allocation
- Pause on federal funding - Questions?
 - The Payment Management System (PMS) has all LIHEAP funds are currently available to drawdown.
 - Initial PMS delays
 - Clarifications about LIHEAP Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)

Reallotment

Updates on FY24 to FY25 Reallotment Process

- ☐ Reconciliation of Carryover and Reallotment and Federal Financial Reports (SF-425)
- ☐ Individual Letters
- ☐ Federal Register Notices

Reallotment – Training and Technical Assistance

- ❑ 1:1 – TTA to states
- ❑ Group TTA to tribes and tribal organizations



Model Plan, Training, and Technical Assistance

- ☐ Regional Call Calendar
- ☐ Public Participation
- ☐ Guidance
- ☐ Training Resources
- ☐ Training Webinar
- ☐ Office Hours



LIHEAP Forms Updates

Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)

- Purpose: To improve the quality and practical utility of information required by the Federal government and reduce paperwork burden on the public.
 - Ensure data collected is accurate, helpful, and a good fit for the proposed uses(s)
 - Ensure there aren't duplications in efforts across government.
 - Ensure the public is informed about the information collected and its potential uses.

LIHEAP Form Updates Cont.

- **LIHEAP Performance Data Form**

- Expired February 28, 2025.
- Requested extension to use current FY24 report.
- First Federal Register Notice published December 2, 2024.

- **Carryover and Reallotment Report**

- Expires June 30, 2025.
- Requesting renewal of report.

LIHEAP Form Updates Cont.

- **LIHEAP Quarterly Report**

- FY25 First Quarter Report due February 28, 2025.
- LIHEAP Quarterly Report expires October 31, 2025.
- Will be submitted through PRA Information Collection Request.

- **LIHEAP Household Report (Long and Short Form)**

- Expires March 31, 2026.
- Revisions are being made to comply with Executive Order.

LIHEAP Form Updates Cont.

- **Residential Energy Consumption Survey (RECS) Data Match**
 - Currently going through PRA process.
 - Action Transmittal will be issue to state grant recipient for household data match.
- **Information Technology Solution Survey**
 - Will be submitted through generic PRA process.

Financial Reporting Reminders

- **FY 2023 Award:**
 - Final FFR for LIHEAP due September 30, 2025.
- **FY 2024 Award:**
 - Initial/Interim FFR LIHEAP due December 30, 2024.
 - Final FFR for LIHEAP due September 30, 2026.
- **FY 2025 Award:**
 - Initial/Interim FFR LIHEAP due December 30, 2025.

REMINDER: All approval requests related to extensions for liquidation of funds or submission of FFRs must be approved by the grant management official listed on your award.

Financial Reporting Reminders

- **Carryover and Reallotment Report**

- **FY 2024 Award:** Final/Revised Carryover Report Was Due December 30, 2024.
- **FY 2025 Award:** Initial/Estimated Carryover Report Due August 1, 2025.

REMINDER: After your initial Carryover Report is submitted in August, you should ensure your final report is revised and submitted with accurate obligation data by December 31. Remember that you can always revise your submissions in Grant Solutions. FFR and Carryover Report obligation information should reconcile.

Monitoring Engagements

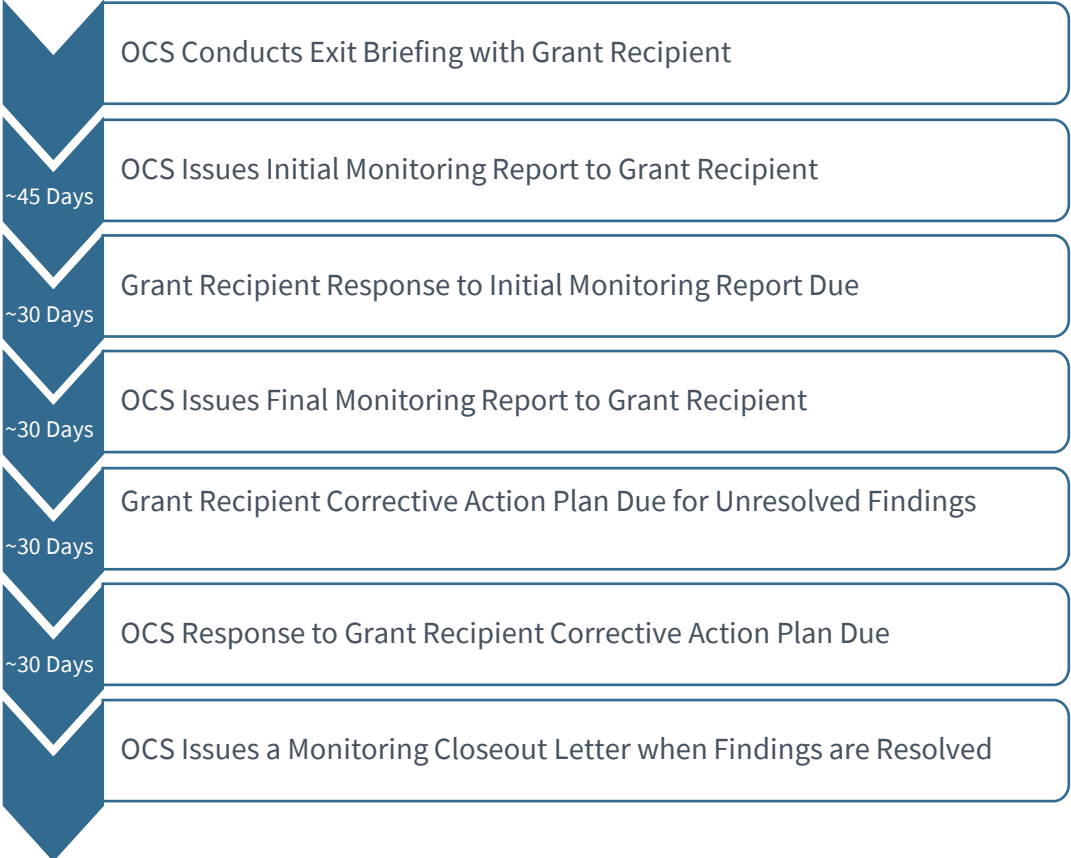
Federal FY 2023 and FY 2024 Updates:

- Only 2 of 10 Reports Remain Open with Unresolved Findings
- Only 3 of 12 Reports Remain Open with Unresolved Findings

Federal FY 2025 To Date:

- 8 States Monitored by OCS (4 CSBG, 3 LIHEAP)
 - 3 Reports Issued in Final
 - 2 Reports Issued in Draft
 - 3 Reports Currently Being Drafted

Monitoring Report Timeline



Monitoring Look Ahead

- **Upcoming Federal FY 2025 Reviews:**
 - 2 CSBG Onsite State Reviews
 - 5 LIHEAP Reviews (3 Onsite, 2 Virtual)
 - 5 LIHEAP Onsite Tribal Reviews
- **Cross-Program Reviews**
- **Federal FY 2026 Risk Assessment (FY 2024 Program Year)**
- **TeamMate+ Monitoring Software**
- **Updated Program Terms and Conditions**
- **Drawdown Tracking and Technical Assistance**

Uniform Administrative Guidance

- HHS Interim Final Rule prescribes how to apply new guidance at 2 CFR 200
- HHS will phase in new guidance over the course of the next year
- The effective date of the new guidance for HHS awards is October 1, 2025
- Certain provisions for LIHEAP are effective October 1, 2024:
 - Increased indirect cost de minimis rate from **10 to 15 percent**. This does not change the admin cap under LIHEAP.
 - Increased single audit threshold to **\$1 million**.

LIHEAP Resources

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Questions?



Thank you!

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