

**Green Hills provides monetary options to those struggling with electrical payments**

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With the heat wave continuing, the Green Hills Community Action Agency reports it is ready to financially help eligible local and area citizens facing loss of their electricity.

Rules of the government program require that the customers' electricity has been shut off, or is in threat of disconnect. Green Hills Energy Services Director Terri Henderson says approximately 140 thousand dollars is available to help pay electric bills for those meeting the shut requirement and income eligibility guidelines.

Persons who have qualified after October 1st of last year can call Green Hills Community Action to receive help. A new application is not needed unless the customer has moved or changed vendors. Green Hills will pay up to 300 dollars per eligible household, directly to the utility company on behalf of the family. A federal poverty guideline of 135 percent is used for the energy assistance program.

Energy services staff processing applications include Kim Brashear, Jennifer Farmer, and Alicia Roy. Assisting with the clients are Debbie Cribb and Cassy Wanstreet in the Grundy county SERVICE center. Community Action C-E-O Aaron Franklin said his agency is just a phone call away for eligible persons to seek the financial assistance they need to avoid a shut-off of electricity.

Phone numbers to call are: locally: 359-3907 or toll free outside of Grundy County: 855-290-8544 to reach the Green Hills Community Action Agency in Trenton.