

C.E.F.S. Economic Opportunity Corporation

"Community Action Agency"



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WHAT IS CEFS ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY CORPORATION?

CEFS is a not-for-profit Community Action Agency incorporated in 1965 to help people achieve their full individual and economic potential. We serve the seven Illinois counties of Christian, Clay, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Moultrie, and Shelby. We develop, implement, and evaluate social service programs to assist economically and socially disadvantaged people in their quest for greater self-sufficiency.

WHAT TYPES OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES DOES CEFS OFFER?

We offer programs as diverse as the needs of people in the communities we serve. For example, CEFS administers the Head Start Program for pre-school aged children, the Golden Circle Nutrition Program for senior citizens, and a wide variety of services for all ages in between. In everything we do, we call to mind the words of Lao Tzu, "Give a man a fish and he eats for today, *teach* a man to fish and he eats for a lifetime". Our goal is truly to help people *help themselves*.

PROGRAMS

CENTRAL IL PUBLIC TRANSIT (CIPT) 1-855-755-2478

MEALS ON WHEELS 217-532-3662

HEAD START 0-5 PROGRAM 1-866-442-1900 Ext. 139

HOME BUYER PROGRAM AND FORECLOSURE 1-217-347-7514

HOME WEATHERIZATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP

CSBG SCHOLARSHIP

LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LIHEAP)

LIHEAP will provide a one-time payment for eligible households to be used for energy bills. The amount of payment is determined by household size, fuel type, and the household's 30-day income.

Renters whose utilities are included in their rent can qualify for a one-time cash payment if their rent is greater than 30% of their income. Reconnection assistance may be available if the household is disconnected from an energy source needed for heating and/or a delivered fuel supplier has refused to deliver and the tank contains 25% or less.

October 1st – Seniors/Disabled

November 1st – Households with children under 6

December 1st - Open

There is not any summer cooling funds this year. As the LIHEAP season comes closer, announcements will be made in the paper and radio on when appointments can be made.

LOW INCOME HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM	
2018	
INCOME GUIDELINES	
Family Size	150% 30 Day Income
1	\$1,508
2	\$2,030
3	\$2,553
4	\$3,075
5	\$3,598
6	\$4,120
7	\$4,643
8	\$5,165
9	\$5,688
10	\$6,210
11	\$6,733
12	\$7,255
13	\$7,778
14	\$8,300
15	\$8,823
16	\$9,345
17	\$9,868
18	\$10,390

For families with more than 18 persons, add \$522.50

FOOD PANTRY

We distribute on average 140 food boxes per month to residents of Montgomery County. Eligibility guidelines are listed below.

Hours of operation

Wednesday and Thursday: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM – 11:00 AM

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DHS MAXIMUM MONTHLY GROSS INCOME FOR RECEIPT OF USDA COMMODITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018 (JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018)								
Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Monthly Income	\$1,859	\$2,504	\$3,148	\$3,793	\$4,437	\$5,081	\$5,726	\$6,370
For households with more than 8 persons, add \$644 for each additional person								

For receipt of commodities within this Federal grant program, I certify with my signature that:

My household monthly gross income does not exceed DHS established limits;

I will use food received for household consumption only; the information I have provided below is accurate and true; and

I release USDA, the State of Illinois, and any agency or person distributing food from all liability resulting from receipt of food.

Food

Bank: Central Illinois Foodbank, Inc.

Distribution Month/

Year:

Date	Household Size	Recipient Signature	Street Address (include apt. number)	City	Number of Children in household 18 years or younger TANF Food	Do you receive SNAP? Check One
						<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No

CSBG WORKFORCE TRAINING

We provide training needed to secure and retain employment and become self-sufficient. The training must be less than a year and in a high demand field. Cost of the program and some supportive services, such as required tools, uniforms, transportation, child care, etc. are covered. Eligibility guidelines apply.

INCOME GUIDELINES	
Household Size	CSBG 90 Day Income
1	\$3,768.75
2	\$5,075.00
3	\$6,381.25
4	\$7,687.50
5	\$8,993.75
6	\$10,300.00
7	\$11,606.25
8	\$12,912.50

State Farm Insurance is a sponsor of CEFS.