



# CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

**Allowances for Tenant Furnished Utilities and Other Services  
Effective: October 1, 2020**

Participants in the Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCV) pay approximately 30% of their income for rent and utilities. The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has defined Total Tenant Payment (TTP) for “rent” to include both shelter and the costs for reasonable amounts of utilities. The amount determined necessary to cover the resident’s reasonable utility costs is the utility allowance. The Chicago Housing Authority calculates this by structure type and bedroom size of the unit. The numbers below represent the average amount spent on utilities in the region and are used to calculate each household’s utility allowance. These numbers are updated annually to reflect changes in the local market.

Single Family Detached		Monthly Dollar Allowance								
Utility or Service		0BR	1BR	2BR	3BR	4BR	5BR	6BR	7BR	8BR
<b>Heating</b>	Natural Gas	\$23	\$27	\$31	\$35	\$39	\$43	\$48	\$54	\$61
	Electric	\$43	\$52	\$61	\$70	\$79	\$88	\$98	\$110	\$123
	Heat Pump	\$26	\$32	\$37	\$42	\$48	\$53	\$60	\$67	\$75
	Oil	\$106	\$137	\$168	\$198	\$229	\$260	\$291	\$326	\$365
<b>Cooking</b>	Natural Gas	\$2	\$2	\$3	\$3	\$4	\$4	\$5	\$5	\$6
	Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$17	\$20	\$22
<b>Other Electric/Lighting</b>		\$42	\$54	\$66	\$77	\$89	\$101	\$113	\$127	\$142
<b>Water Heating</b>	Natural Gas	\$3	\$6	\$9	\$13	\$16	\$19	\$21	\$24	\$27
	Electric	\$9	\$19	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$61	\$68	\$76	\$85
	Oil	\$15	\$31	\$46	\$61	\$77	\$92	\$103	\$115	\$129
<b>Water/Sewer (includes trash)</b>		\$31	\$42	\$63	\$95	\$126	\$158	\$176	\$196	\$218
<b>Range/Microwave</b>		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
<b>Refrigerator</b>		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
<b>Gas Fixed Charge (add one only)</b>	Heating	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39
	Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19



Low Rise, Duplex, Row House		Monthly Dollar Allowance								
Utility or Service		0BR	1BR	2BR	3BR	4BR	5BR	6BR	7BR	8BR
Heating	Natural Gas	\$20	\$24	\$28	\$31	\$35	\$39	\$43	\$48	\$54
	Electric	\$39	\$47	\$55	\$63	\$71	\$78	\$88	\$98	\$110
	Heat Pump	\$24	\$28	\$33	\$38	\$43	\$48	\$53	\$60	\$67
	Oil	\$95	\$122	\$150	\$178	\$205	\$233	\$261	\$292	\$327
Cooking	Natural Gas	\$2	\$2	\$3	\$3	\$4	\$4	\$5	\$5	\$6
	Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$17	\$20	\$22
Other Electric/Lighting		\$30	\$42	\$53	\$64	\$76	\$87	\$98	\$110	\$123
Water Heating	Natural Gas	\$3	\$6	\$9	\$13	\$16	\$19	\$21	\$24	\$27
	Electric	\$9	\$19	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$61	\$68	\$76	\$85
	Oil	\$15	\$31	\$46	\$61	\$77	\$92	\$103	\$115	\$129
Water/Sewer		\$26	\$34	\$50	\$73	\$97	\$121	\$134	\$149	\$166
Range/Microwave		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
Refrigerator		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
Gas Fixed Charge (add one only)	Heating	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39
	Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19

High Rise		Monthly Dollar Allowance								
Utility or Service		0BR	1BR	2BR	3BR	4BR	5BR	6BR	7BR	8BR
Heating	Natural Gas	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20	\$22	\$25	\$28	\$31
	Electric	\$22	\$27	\$31	\$36	\$40	\$45	\$50	\$56	\$63
	Heat Pump	\$13	\$16	\$19	\$22	\$24	\$27	\$30	\$34	\$38
	Oil	\$54	\$70	\$85	\$101	\$117	\$133	\$149	\$166	\$186
Cooking	Natural Gas	\$2	\$2	\$3	\$3	\$4	\$4	\$5	\$5	\$6
	Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$17	\$20	\$22
Other Electric/Lighting		\$31	\$39	\$48	\$56	\$65	\$73	\$82	\$92	\$103
Water Heating	Natural Gas	\$3	\$6	\$9	\$13	\$16	\$19	\$21	\$24	\$27
	Electric	\$9	\$19	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$61	\$68	\$76	\$85
	Oil	\$15	\$31	\$46	\$61	\$77	\$92	\$103	\$115	\$129
Water/Sewer		\$16	\$24	\$40	\$63	\$87	\$111	\$124	\$139	\$156
Range/Microwave		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
Refrigerator		\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7	\$7
Gas Fixed Charge	Heating	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39	\$39
	Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19