

EMERGENCY HEATING REPAIR PROGRAM (EHRP) [Program Description](#)

The Emergency Heating Repair Program (EHRP) helps income-eligible homeowners repair or replace their furnaces or boilers. The property must be the homeowner's primary, owner-occupied residence within the city of Chicago. Hot water tank repairs/replacements are not eligible. Remedies will be based on the extent of the damage, as determined by a contracted delegate agency that administers the program.

Eligible Property

Services will be offered to single-family residential buildings with up to four (4) units for furnace or boiler rehabilitation or replacement. For 2–to 4-unit buildings, one of the units must serve as the homeowner's primary residence. If the homeowner's furnace or boiler operates independently from the other units, only their unit will receive service.

Applicant Eligibility

- The household's annual gross income must not exceed 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) as determined by HUD. This includes rental income, earnings from minors, and other sources of income.
- Applicants must be in good and active status on their property taxes, mortgage, and water bills (or enrolled in a payment plan) and must maintain current homeowners' insurance.

Principal Residence Requirement

- Applicants(s) must be on deed title for at least one (1) year starting from the date of application.
- The eligible owner-occupied property must be located in the Chicagoland area.
- Property must be in habitable condition.
- Property must be a one to four (1-4) unit building.
- Property cannot be at risk of foreclosure.
- Eligible residential homes will be assisted with a furnace or boiler once every ten (10) years.

Services

- Furnace or Boiler repair/replacement.
- Remediation of environmental health hazards. Areas of concern to be addressed include mold, asbestos or lead remediation, air quality, and other environmental issues that may be deemed unhealthy living conditions.
- Climate resiliency, such as flood control measures.

2026 Household Gross Income Limits

Household Size	Max Income 80% AMI
1	\$68,050
2	\$77,800
3	\$87,500
4	\$97,200
5	\$105,000
6	\$112,800
7	\$120,550
8	\$128,350

Income limits are based on the Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL HUD Metro FMR Area (HMFA). Effective until superseded.