



CHICAGO HOUSING AUTHORITY HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

Allowances for Tenant Furnished Utilities and Other Services
Effective: November 1, 2023

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 Allowances; Number of Bedrooms								
Utility or Service		0 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6 BR	7 BR	8 BR
Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$33	\$39	\$45	\$51	\$57	\$63	\$71	\$79	\$89
	b. Electric Resistance	\$44	\$53	\$62	\$71	\$80	\$89	\$100	\$112	\$125
	c. Heat Pump	\$27	\$32	\$38	\$43	\$49	\$54	\$61	\$68	\$76
	d. Oil	\$184	\$238	\$291	\$345	\$399	\$452	\$506	\$567	\$635
Cooking	a. Natural Gas	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$6	\$6	\$7	\$8	\$8
	b. Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20	\$22
Other Electric/Lighting		\$41	\$54	\$66	\$78	\$90	\$102	\$114	\$128	\$143
Water Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$5	\$9	\$14	\$19	\$23	\$28	\$31	\$35	\$39
	b. Electric	\$9	\$20	\$31	\$41	\$52	\$63	\$71	\$79	\$89
	c. Oil	\$27	\$53	\$80	\$106	\$133	\$160	\$179	\$201	\$225
Water & Sewer (includes trash)		\$33	\$45	\$68	\$104	\$139	\$174	\$194	\$216	\$240
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)	a. Heating	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38
	b. Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19

Low Rise, Duplex, Row House		Monthly Dollar Allowances; Number of Bedrooms								
Utility or Service		0 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6 BR	7 BR	8 BR
Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$30	\$35	\$40	\$46	\$51	\$57	\$63	\$71	\$79
	b. Electric Resistance	\$39	\$47	\$55	\$64	\$72	\$80	\$89	\$100	\$112
	c. Heat Pump	\$24	\$29	\$34	\$39	\$43	\$48	\$54	\$61	\$68
	d. Oil	\$165	\$213	\$261	\$309	\$357	\$405	\$453	\$508	\$569
Cooking	a. Natural Gas	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$6	\$6	\$7	\$8	\$8
	b. Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20	\$22
Other Electric/Lighting		\$29	\$41	\$53	\$65	\$77	\$88	\$99	\$110	\$124
Water Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$5	\$9	\$14	\$19	\$23	\$28	\$31	\$35	\$39
	b. Electric	\$9	\$20	\$31	\$41	\$52	\$63	\$71	\$79	\$89
	c. Oil	\$27	\$53	\$80	\$106	\$133	\$160	\$179	\$201	\$225
Water & Sewer (includes trash)		\$28	\$36	\$54	\$80	\$107	\$133	\$148	\$164	\$183
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)	a. Heating	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38
	b. Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19

High Rise		Monthly Dollar Allowances; Number of Bedrooms								
Utility or Service		0 BR	1 BR	2 BR	3 BR	4 BR	5 BR	6 BR	7 BR	8 BR
Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$17	\$20	\$23	\$26	\$29	\$32	\$36	\$40	\$45
	b. Electric Resistance	\$22	\$27	\$32	\$36	\$41	\$45	\$50	\$56	\$63
	c. Heat Pump	\$14	\$16	\$19	\$22	\$25	\$28	\$31	\$35	\$39
	d. Oil	\$94	\$121	\$149	\$176	\$203	\$231	\$259	\$290	\$325
Cooking	a. Natural Gas	\$2	\$3	\$4	\$5	\$6	\$6	\$7	\$8	\$8
	b. Electric	\$6	\$8	\$10	\$12	\$14	\$16	\$18	\$20	\$22
Other Electric/Lighting		\$30	\$39	\$48	\$56	\$65	\$74	\$83	\$93	\$104
Water Heating	a. Natural Gas	\$5	\$9	\$14	\$19	\$23	\$28	\$31	\$35	\$39
	b. Electric	\$9	\$20	\$31	\$41	\$52	\$63	\$71	\$79	\$89
	c. Oil	\$27	\$53	\$80	\$106	\$133	\$160	\$179	\$201	\$225
Water & Sewer		\$18	\$26	\$44	\$70	\$97	\$123	\$138	\$154	\$173
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)	a. Heating	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38	\$38
	b. Non-Heating	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19	\$19