

Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the Archdiocese of Detroit
2024 MEAP Grant



Grant Award: \$4,850,000
Service Area: State of Michigan
Anticipated Reach: 5,623

Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the Archdiocese of Detroit (SVdP) provides energy assistance to low-income households and works with them to help them to develop plans to achieve an energy secure future.

Program Details

- We help low-income households complete the MDHHS SER application. Applicants first complete a MEAP Energy Security Plan and set energy security goals for their households.
- Care Coordinators are available to assist in goal planning and removing obstacles to energy security goals. Services include needs assessment and referrals, scheduling home energy audits, budgeting, energy efficiency education/counseling, job coaching, employment readiness, or general life skills.
- In-person Budgeting and Energy Education Workshops available to households in the SE Michigan area.
- Home energy kits are available to households on a first come, first-serve basis, while supplies last.
- Financial assistance provided:
 - Enrollment in DTE Energy’s affordable payment plan known as LSP is offered.
 - Enrollment in Consumers Energy’s affordable payment plan known as CARE is offered.
 - Enrollment in SEMCO Energy’s affordable payment plan known as MAP is offered.
 - Enrollment in UPPCo’s affordable payment plan known as EASE is offered
 - State Emergency Relief copayment assistance.
 - Past due utility payment assistance.
 - Payment of deliverable fuel costs.

Additional Services Offered

Assistance with food, clothing, furniture, transportation, rent/lodging, water bills, medical bills, tax preparation, recently released prisoners, and other programs that meet the essential needs of the underserved. Type of assistance available will vary from location to location.

Partner Agencies

- Over 120 parishes that partner with the Archdiocese of Detroit – St. Vincent de Paul network
- Catholic Community Center
- South County Community Services
- We Care, Inc.
- People Helping People of Pullman
- North Kent Connect, Kent County
- Catholic Charities of Flint
- St. Francis Prayer Center, Flint
- Energy Earth

Locations and Contact Information

Telephone: Energy Assistance Help Line - 313-393-2855

Website: <https://svdpdetroit.org/How-We-Help/Energy-Rent-Assistance/help-with-my-bill> to apply.