

# **Residential and General Service Energy Assistance Program Rate Schedule EAPR**

## **I. Applicability**

This Rate Schedule 1-EAPR applies to customers receiving service under residential or general service rates who meet specific eligibility requirements.

## **II. Eligibility for Residential Customers**

Eligibility for the Energy Assistance Program Rate (EAPR) is determined by the following:

- A. The total gross household income must conform to the Income Guidelines as specified on the application;
- B. The customer must not be claimed as a dependent on another person's income tax return; and
- C. The service address on the application must be the customer's primary residence.

## **III. Discount for Residential Customers**

Eligible residential customers will receive discounts as follows.

The maximum EAPR discount is \$42 per month for customers not on a well rate and \$54 a month for well rate customers. The calculation of the EAPR discount is the sum of the following components, up to the maximum:

- 1. An \$11.50 discount off the residential System Infrastructure Fixed charge (SIFC).
- 2. A discount of 48 percent applied to the electricity usage charges calculated at non-EAPR rates.

As early as September 1, 2018, existing eligible customers on the 2018 Energy Assistance Program Rate, will gradually transition as determined by SMUD to the 2019 Energy Assistance Program Rate beginning the first full billing cycle in September 2018.

The EAPR discount will include two components:

- 1. A \$10 System Infrastructure Fixed Charge discount per month;
- 2. An additional discount off the energy usage charges of the bill up to a maximum of \$40 per month depending on income guidelines.

## **IV. Eligibility for Nonprofit Organizations**

To be eligible for EAPR the nonprofit organization must meet the following requirements:

- A. The organization's qualifying site takes service directly from SMUD; and
- B. The organization meets the qualifications for a nonprofit public or private organization, as specified on the application; and
- C. The organization operates the qualifying site as residential unit(s) whose residents meet the EAPR income guidelines.
  - 1. The primary function of the site shall be to provide a home (sleeping quarters) for low-income residents who would otherwise meet the residential EAPR guidelines defining low-income if permanently residing in a residence.
  - 2. In support of the primary function that is provided by the nonprofit organization, associated facilities that provide daytime services for the homeless (such as personal hygiene facilities, laundry facilities, kitchen and/or dining facilities, etc.) may also qualify for the discount. At least 75 percent of the facility's square footage must be directly related to meeting these functions.

An energy survey of the residential unit(s) is recommended at the time of being placed on this program and implementation of recommended cost-effective energy efficiency measures is encouraged.

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## V. Discount for Nonprofit Organization

Eligible commercial customers will receive discounts as follows:

- A. All eligible commercial customers will receive a discount of 15 percent of the Electricity Usage Charge (kWh), Site Infrastructure Charge (kW) and summer super peak demand charge (kW) each billing period.
- B. The GSN\_T System Infrastructure Fixed Charge will receive a discount of 35 percent each billing period.
- C. The GSS\_T System Infrastructure Fixed Charge will receive a discount of 35 percent each billing period.
- D. The General Service rate schedules GS-TOU1, GS-TOU2, GS-TOU3 System Infrastructure Fixed Charge will receive a 15 percent discount applied each billing period.

## VI. Electricity Usage Surcharges

Refer to the following rate schedules for details on electricity usage surcharges that apply to all kWh.

- A. **Solar Surcharge.** Refer to Rate Schedule 1–SB1.
- B. **Hydro Generation Adjustment (HGA).** Refer to Rate Schedule 1–HGA.

## VII. Conditions of Service

### A. Application

To qualify for EAPR, the customer must complete a SMUD application and submit requested supporting documents. Applications are processed by SMUD or SMUD's designated agent.

Residential applications are available at SMUD's website, [www.smud.org](http://www.smud.org), or by calling SMUD customer service at 1-888-742-7683.

Nonprofit organizations must provide a copy of a valid determination or ruling letter from the Internal Revenue Service attesting to their charitable nonprofit status. Nonprofit Organization applications are available by calling SMUD customer service at 1-888-742-7683.

### B. Verification

Upon request, applicants shall provide proof, satisfactory to SMUD or its designated agent, that they meet the eligibility requirements. Failure to provide proof as requested will be considered just cause for denial to enroll in EAPR. It is the customer's responsibility to immediately notify SMUD or its designated agent when eligibility requirements change to the extent that the applicant no longer qualifies for this program. Applicants served under this program may be subject to annual review and/or verification. Any intent to defraud SMUD will result in rebilling of the applicant's bill and removal from EAPR. SMUD reserves the right to take appropriate legal action as warranted.

## VIII. Billing

The effective date of EAPR will be the beginning of the billing period in which the request is approved. If participation is terminated, the effective termination date will be the beginning of the billing period in which the request is received or the cancellation date. The maximum EAPR discount will not be prorated, regardless of the number of days in the billing period or the spanning of multiple seasons. The discount may be reflected on the customer's bill with a rate-based identifier code or line item description.

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