



**No home should
be cold in winter.**

Giving the gift of warmth for more than 20 years

In 1983, Washington Gas established the Washington Area Fuel Fund (WAFF). During winter, WAFF pays for all types of fuel to heat the homes of people in financial need.

Washington Gas pays WAFF's administrative costs while The Salvation Army administers the fund. WAFF doesn't replace federal or state energy assistance, rather it supplements those resources.

If you need help, please read the information in this brochure to see what the qualifications are for WAFF assistance and what your next steps might be.

For those who wish to make a tax-deductible contribution to WAFF, see the back panel of this brochure. It provides three convenient ways to give.



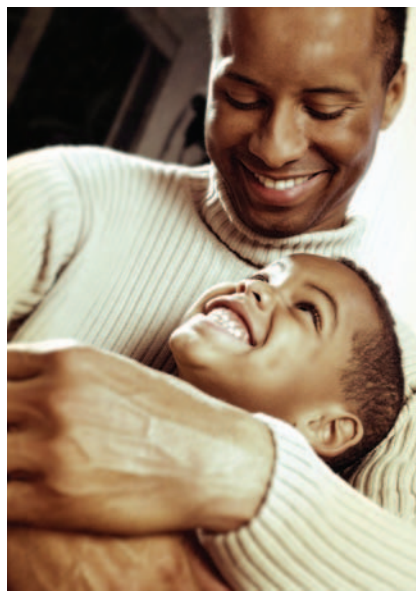
Qualifications For WAFF Assistance

1 You must live in the District of Columbia; in Calvert, Charles, Montgomery, Prince George's or St. Mary's Counties in Maryland; or in Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William Counties, or the Cities of Alexandria, Fairfax and Falls Church, in Virginia. You must apply to The Salvation Army office in the city or county in which you live.

2 Your eligibility does not depend on whether you heat with natural gas, electricity, oil, coal, wood, kerosene or another heating fuel.

3 To be eligible, you must be in an emergency situation and no longer eligible for any and all government energy assistance programs. This means you have already received the maximum assistance from such programs. You also must meet WAFF income guidelines.

- If you are a gas or electric heating customer, you must have received a termination notice or warning of future disconnection from whichever utility provides the primary source of heat. WAFF pays for the primary heating source.
- If you heat with oil, coal, wood, kerosene or another fuel, you must demonstrate that you do not have funds to purchase fuel and cannot get fuel on credit.



4 Funds should be used principally for the payment of heating bills, but they also may be used for the purchase and installation of low-cost energy conservation measures.

5 Income and family size are the primary tests of eligibility for WAFF assistance, but they are not the only ones. Income guidelines are revised annually to reflect increases in the cost of living.

6 Once eligibility for WAFF assistance is established, The Salvation Army will issue a check for the appropriate amount and mail it directly to your utility company or supplier.

7 The Salvation Army will administer the distribution of WAFF funds to residential heating customers, following these guidelines, but not treating them as rigid rules.

Remember: Before seeking financial assistance from WAFF, you first must have obtained help available from energy assistance programs of federal, state and local governments. When these sources aren't enough, there's WAFF.

When And Where To Apply

Applications are accepted from January 1 through May 31. To apply for help from the fund, you must use The Salvation Army office in the county or city in which you live. Office locations are listed below.

WASHINGTON, DC

The Salvation Army Social Services Department
1434 Harvard St., NW
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 332-5000

OR

3101 Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20032
(202) 561-2000

MARYLAND

Calvert & Charles Counties

Salvation Army Service Unit at Associated Catholic Charities
513 E. Charles St.
LaPlata, MD 20646
(301) 934-2582

Montgomery County

Montgomery County Salvation Army
20021 Aircraft Dr.
Germantown, MD 20874
(301) 515-5354

Prince George's County

Prince George's County Salvation Army
4825 Edmonston Rd.
Hyattsville, MD 20781
(301) 277-6103

St. Mary's County

Associated Catholic Charities
21506 Colton Point Rd.
Avenue, MD 20609
(301) 769-2788

VIRGINIA

City of Alexandria

Alexandria Salvation Army
107 E. Bellefonte Ave.
Alexandria, VA 22301
(703) 548-0579

Arlington County

Arlington County Salvation Army
518 S. Glebe Rd.
Arlington, VA 22204
(703) 979-3380

Fairfax County, Fairfax City & Falls Church

Fairfax County Salvation Army
4915 Ox Rd.
Fairfax, VA 22030
(703) 385-8700

Loudoun County

Loudoun County Salvation Army
525-G E. Market St.
Leesburg, VA 20176
(703) 771-3371

Prince William County

Prince William County Salvation Army
17688 Possum Point Rd.
Dumfries, VA 22026
(703) 221-2267



How To Contribute To WAFF

Your tax-deductible contribution to WAFF makes it possible for families in need to keep warm during the winter. Because Washington Gas pays all of WAFF's administrative costs, every dollar you contribute goes directly to supply this basic necessity—heat, no matter what type of fuel is used. The ways you can contribute are shown below. And by giving, you may be the one feeling warmest of all. For more information on WAFF, call **1-888-318-WAFF**.

Three Convenient Ways To Donate

1 If you are a Washington Gas customer, you may make a fixed monthly contribution. Tell the company the amount, and it will be itemized on your gas bill.

2 Add a donation to your gas or electric bills whenever you can. Simply check the box located on the Washington Gas bill stub, write in your donation amount, and add that amount to your payment. The donation is a one-time contribution until you decide to donate again.

3 You can write a check for any amount right now and send it to:

**Washington Area Fuel Fund
P.O. Box 1999
Washington, DC 20013**

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