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Celebrating More Than 26 Years of Service and
Assistance to New Jersey Residents



Who We Are

New Jersey SHARES, Inc. (NJ SHARES) is a nationally recognized 501(c)3 nonprofit organization that provides statewide help and referral for essential services to those in need of assistance.

NJ SHARES serves as a "safety net" for households that face an emergency or a crisis situation.

These unexpected circumstances may result in the household's inability to pay for vital services, which include but are not limited to - energy (gas, electric), water, communications and housing resources.



Our Mission - How We Can Help

Through advocacy, community outreach, education, referral and the utilization of our multilingual call center, NJ SHARES connects low- and moderate-income households with the available resources necessary to not only address their current situation, but also any ongoing needs.

Working with our affiliated social service and legislative partners located in all 21 counties in New Jersey, NJ SHARES looks for a holistic solution - addressing each household's individual circumstance, whether temporary or sustained.

Partner Agencies

NJ SHARES partners with 200+ social service agencies and legislative offices, operating out of 250+ sites statewide to provide relief to those in need of assistance.

Working collaboratively with these partners, we provide a holistic solution to families and individuals, addressing the household's temporary or ongoing circumstance.

Our partners address a broad spectrum of client needs - from counseling and employment to financial/tax services, housing, nutrition and more.

Vital Statistics

213,000

Households assisted through our programs

26+

Years of service & assistance to residents in need

\$90M

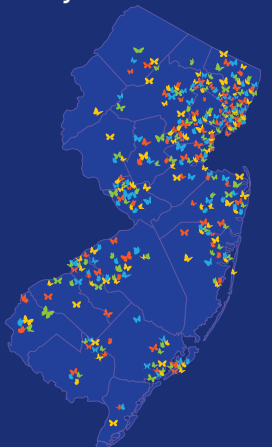
Total assistance provided to households since inception

200+

Agency and legislative partners conveniently located throughout New Jersey

Partners located in all of New Jersey's

21 Counties





Energy

■ New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Payment Assistance for Gas and Electric (NJBPU PAGE) Program

– administered by New Jersey SHARES, provides energy (gas and electric) assistance grants to income qualified households experiencing a temporary financial crisis. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Households who have income at or below State Median Income (SMI) guidelines can receive up to \$700 for natural gas (including cooking gas) and/or up to \$700 for electric once per calendar year provided all program requirements are met. Those households who may qualify for Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) or Universal Service Fund (USF) should apply and receive a determination from those programs first before seeking supplemental assistance from the NJBPU PAGE Program.

■ NJ SHARES SMART Utility Assistance Program

– provides energy (gas and electric) assistance grants to income eligible households experiencing a temporary financial crisis. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Households who have income at or below State Median Income (SMI) guidelines can receive up to \$500 for natural gas (including cooking gas) and/or up to \$500 for electric once per calendar year provided all program requirements are met. Those households who may qualify for LIHEAP, USF or NJBPU PAGE Program should apply and receive a determination from those programs first before seeking supplemental assistance from the NJ SHARES SMART Utility Assistance Program.

■ NJ SHARES Municipal Customer Assistance Program

– provides electric service assistance grants to income qualified municipal electric service customers experiencing a temporary financial crisis. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Households who have income at or below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) can receive up to \$200 for electric once per calendar year provided all program requirements are met.

A household may apply through NJ SHARES for multiple energy assistance programs at the same time (except LIHEAP and/or USF) if all requirements for each program are met.



Water

■ **AQUA Aid Program** – provides water and/or sewer assistance grants to help AQUA New Jersey customers who are in a temporary financial crisis with water and/or sewer bill arrearages. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Households who have income at or below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) can receive up to \$150 for water service or up to \$250 for combined water and sewer service once every 12 months provided all program requirements are met.

■ New Jersey American Water H2O “Help to Others” Program

– provides assistance to New Jersey American Water customers in two distinct ways – through grants and/or through a discount on the service charge. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Customers who have household income that is below 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) can receive up to \$500 once every 36 months provided all program requirements are met. The H2O Help to Others Program also offers qualified customers the opportunity to receive a 100 percent discount on their monthly fixed service charge for water through the Low-Income Payment Program. In addition to water service, these service charge discounts may also apply to wastewater customers. Similarly, there is also an additional low-income discount offered to customers who receive Social Security benefits or Medicare coverage – these customers who qualify for the service charge discount are also eligible to receive an additional discount off the monthly DSIC charge, based on their meter size.

■ NJ SHARES Municipal Customer Assistance Program

– provides water and/or sewer assistance grants to income qualified municipal water/sewer customers experiencing a temporary financial crisis. Eligibility is based on household size and income. Households who have income at or below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL) can receive up to \$200 per utility once per calendar year provided all program requirements are met.

■ **Veolia Cares Program** – provides water assistance grants to Veolia customers in Delaware, New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania to help those who are in a temporary financial crisis and in need of water bill payment assistance. The program is not based on income. State-specific grant thresholds determine how much a household can receive provided all program requirements are met.

A household may apply through NJ SHARES for multiple energy, water and housing assistance programs at the same time, if needed. Details for all programs can be obtained by calling 866-657-4273 or by visiting www.njshares.org/programs.



Communications

■ **Verizon NJ Communications Lifeline and Affordable Connectivity Programs** – offering enrollment assistance to qualified low-income and categorically eligible customers to make residential telephone service and broadband (internet) more affordable.



New Jersey’s Energy Efficiency Programs

There are energy efficiency opportunities available that could save you money and are at no cost to you! To find out more about these programs, scan the QR Code below:



NJ SHARES has had and continues to have an impact on thousands of New Jersey residents.

Thank you for your continued support!

