

Giving the Gift of Warmth for 25 Years

A quarter of a century ago, Washington Gas and The Salvation Army 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 this brochure to understand the qualifications 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 several convenient ways to give. Please remember that just a little help goes a long way for a neighbor in need.



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. For more information on WAFF, please call **(202) 756-2692**.

Convenient Ways to Donate

- 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**

- Log on to **www.washingtonareafuelfund.org** and make a contribution at The Salvation Army's special WAFF Web site.
- If you are a Washington Gas customer:
 - a. You may make a fixed monthly contribution. Tell Washington Gas the amount, and it will be itemized on your gas bill.
 - b. You may add a donation to your Washington Gas bill by:
 - ▶ Checking the box located on the Washington Gas bill stub that you return with your remittance, and adding the amount of your contribution to your payment.
 - ▶ Logging on to the Washington Gas Web site at **www.washingtongas.com**.
 - ▶ Calling the Washington Gas Automated Services Line at **(703) 750-7944**.

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Give the gift of warmth
this winter.



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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 government energy assistance programs. This means you have received already 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 already a termination notice or warning of future disconnection from the utility providing 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 buy 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 cost of living increases.



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 from federal, state and local government energy assistance programs. When these sources are not enough, there is 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 where 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

2300 Martin Luther
King, Jr. Ave., SE
Washington, DC 20020
(202) 678-9771

Maryland
**Calvert, Charles &
St. Mary's Counties**
Salvation Army Service
Unit at Children's Aid
Society
300 Huntington Cir.
Waldorf, MD 20602
(301) 645-1561

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

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
12 Cardinal Park Dr.
Leesburg, VA 20175
(703) 771-3371

Prince William County
Prince William
Salvation Army
4343-A Ridgewood
Center Dr.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
(703) 580-8991