

Association of Community Ministries receives boost in assistance for community members in need

LG&E and KU Foundation contributes additional \$75,000 toward utility bill assistance

(LOUISVILLE, Ky.) — Following the effects of a sweltering summer and before temperatures drop this winter, the Association of Community Ministries received a \$75,000 contribution from the LG&E and KU Foundation to further support utility bill assistance for their clients. Holding to ACM's mission, "neighbors helping neighbors," the additional funds are expected to support as many as 367 Louisville households.

"The LG&E and KU Foundation has been a longstanding partner with the Association of Community Ministries in providing funding to keep the 'lights on' to our neighbors in need," said Marlon Cummings, executive director of the Jeffersontown Area Ministries. "LG&E and KU provides gas and electric to thousands of households every day, and together we make a difference to communities that we serve."

"We want our customers to know we're here to support them, and we have programs and resources available to help," said Shannon Montgomery, vice president-Customer Service for LG&E and KU. "This contribution from the LG&E and KU Foundation provides even more access to assistance funds for community members who may be struggling to pay their bills."

The LG&E and KU Foundation has been a longtime supporter of ACM, providing more than \$1.4 million over the last two years alone. These additional funds are independent of the support provided to local area nonprofit partners, including ACM, by Louisville Gas and Electric Company through the utility's annual Home Energy Assistance program and LG&E Community Winterhelp, which is operated by area third-party nonprofit organizations to administer financial assistance.

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program

As the cooler months approach, individuals needing utility assistance can also utilize the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) Fall subsidy, starting November 5. Applications will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis through December 20, or until designated funds have been expended.

Early registration opened October 14 for seniors and disabled individuals. Applicants must be Jefferson County residents with a household income at or below 150% of the federal poverty guidelines. The fall program is a one-time benefit ranging from \$50 to \$250, depending on income levels and housing category. Residents can call the automated LIHEAP information line at (502) 991-8391 or schedule an appointment. [Go to Online Appointment system \(ifrontdesk.com\) to make an appointment](https://ifrontdesk.com)

[Visit Louisvilleministries.org](https://louisvilleministries.org) to find a Community Ministries in your area

[Visit lge-ku.com/assistance](https://lge-ku.com/assistance) to learn more about important programs and resources available to LG&E customers

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About the Association of Community Ministries

The Association of Community Ministries (ACM) is an umbrella organization bringing 13 Louisville-based Community Ministries together to serve families and individuals on a neighborhood level throughout the entirety of Metro Louisville. ACM's members have worked together for over 35 years connecting neighbors in need with resources during times of crisis.

About the LG&E and KU Foundation

Since its inception in 1994, the LG&E and KU Foundation Inc. has represented LG&E and KU Energy LLC. and its utility operations — Louisville Gas & Electric (LG&E), Kentucky Utilities (KU) and Old Dominion Power (ODP) — as the philanthropic arm for charitable giving. Committed to social responsibility, the LG&E and KU Foundation Inc. proactively supports many philanthropic initiatives to improve the quality of life in communities where the Company provides service. Through Foundation giving, LG&E and KU Energy LLC and its subsidiaries are able to play a definitive role in strengthening the communities where they have a presence. More information is available at www.lge-ku.com.

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