## Benefits Available in December 2020

Individuals, families, and all household types can apply for these ongoing benefits and one-time help.

### Did you lose income due to COVID?

**Unemployment Compensation (UC)**

Traditional program for W-2 workers with a significant work history – apply now if you lost your job during 2020 – you may be eligible for back months of benefits. Visit [www.uc.pa.gov](http://www.uc.pa.gov)

Need help applying?
Call the Philadelphia Legal Assistance hotline: 215-999-6910

**Pandemic Unemployment Assistance**

New program for those who don’t qualify for UC, such as 1099 & gig workers, people who are self-employed, have limited recent work history, or who have no recent work history but can’t start a job due to COVID, etc. – apply now if you lost your job during 2020 – you may be eligible for back months of benefits. Visit [www.cutt.ly/PAunemployment](http://www.cutt.ly/PAunemployment)

### Do you need help with household costs?

**LIHEAP**

Grants of up to $1000 to help low income families pay heating bills. The cash grants are one-time payments made directly to the utility or fuel vendor. Households facing immediate heat shut-off may also qualify for LIHEAP Recovery Crisis grants. Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)

**LIHEAP Recovery Crisis**

Grants of up to $800 paid directly to utility or fuel vendor for people behind on heating or electric bills or in need of repairs for heaters or other energy equipment. Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)

**Homeowner’s Assistance**

Answer a few questions to get a list of programs you may be eligible for, including repair, foreclosure, and utility assistance. Visit [www.cutt.ly/DPDhousingbenefit](http://www.cutt.ly/DPDhousingbenefit)

### Do you need food assistance?

**SNAP**

Ongoing monthly grant for food costs. Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)

For application help call BenePhilly at 833-373-5868

### Do you need health care?

**Affordable Care Act Coverage**

Open enrollment is open through January 15, 2021 for health insurance through Pennie, PA’s official marketplace – financial assistance is available to most people who enroll. Visit [www.pennie.com](http://www.pennie.com)

**Medical Assistance (MA)**

Free or very low-cost health insurance. Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)
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**TANF Diversion Program**

One-time cash grant equal to 1-3 months of TANF grant amount for a person living with their child or pregnant, with very little income, and a recent work history in the past 180 days (includes training programs). Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)

**TANF**

Ongoing cash grant to support families with children/pregnant people with very little income; work requirements currently not being enforced during the pandemic. Visit [www.compass.state.pa.us](http://www.compass.state.pa.us)

TANF and TANF Diversion have eligibility restrictions related to unresolved probation or parole violations, outstanding warrants, and unpaid fines, court costs, or restitution. For help with payment plans for fines, call Community Legal Services at 215-981-3700. You can also call Community Legal Services for help with immigration status affecting your benefits eligibility.

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Do you need food assistance?

**WIC**

Provides pregnant women, parents, or caregivers of children under age 5 with healthy foods, nutrition education, and breastfeeding support.

Call North Inc. at 215-978-6100 x38 or email [phillyWIC@northwic.org](mailto:phillyWIC@northwic.org) with your name and phone number.

Do you need health care?

**CHIP**

Provides health insurance to any child in Pennsylvania, with free and low-cost coverage available to low income families. Visit [www.chipcoverspakids.com](http://www.chipcoverspakids.com)