Energy allowance for those on low incomes.



Are you on a low income? You may be entitled to the **energy allowance**. Energy prices have risen sharply recently. An energy allowance of €1,300 has been made available for households earning no more than 120% of the guaranteed minimum income. You can put this extra money towards your energy costs. You can apply for the allowance until **1 January 2023**.

Residents who have received the €800 energy allowance already don't need to do anything. If the allowance was granted before 1 October, they will automatically receive the remaining amount of €500 in their account this year. If you are in this income group and apply for the energy allowance now for the first time, you will get €1300 in one go.

Applying for the allowance

You can apply online via the Stroomopwaarts website www.stroomopwaarts.nl/inwoners/inkomen/energietoeslag.

If you'd like to ask for **help with the application,** for instance because you didn't manage to apply online, call Stroomopwaarts on +31 (0)10 246 5555 and make an appointment to see the forms brigade at town hall. You can also turn to Humanitas for help with the application without having to make an appointment. They hold walk-in consultations every Wednesday from 9 am to 12 noon and are located on the third floor in Groot Ambacht Community Centre, Rotterdamseweg 176. Humanitas also holds walk-in consultations every Monday from 1 to 4 pm at De Telder Community Centre, Professor Telderstraat 10.

Documents required for the application

Take the following documents with you when you visit the forms brigade at Stroomopwaarts or Humanitas:

- A copy of a valid identity document:
 - Dutch passport or identity card
 - An EEA passport (European Economic Area)
 - · Dutch aliens' document

Please note: a driving licence is not a valid proof of identity

- Copy of your bank card
- · Printout of bank statements and savings accounts for the last three months
- Copy of your energy bill

Spread the word

If you know anyone who may be entitled to an energy allowance, then tell them about it. The Municipality of Vlaardingen wants as many people as possible who are entitled to the allowance to get it.

