

**THE NEW YORK STATE OFFICE OF TEMPORARY AND DISABILITY ASSISTANCE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARINGS
TO PROVIDE FOR COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED NEW YORK STATE PLAN
FOR THE 2016-17 HOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (HEAP)**

In accordance with the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Act of 1981, as amended, the State of New York invites comments on the proposed New York State Plan for the 2016-17 Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP).

The draft State Plan is available on the NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance website at: www.otda.ny.gov/programs/heap/stateplan.asp. A copy of the plan is also available for review at the local Departments of Social Services for all counties outside of New York City and at the NYC Human Resources Administration for counties within NYC.

PUBLIC HEARINGS: Public hearings will be conducted at the following locations:

- **New York, New York**, Tuesday, July 12, 2016, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Harlem Office, 317 Lenox Avenue, Training Room 603, New York, New York 10027.
- **Albany, New York**, Thursday, July 14, 2016, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm, Pine Hills Branch Library, 517 Western Avenue, Albany, New York 12203.

Individuals/organizations wishing to present their views at these hearings should register no later than one business day prior to the hearing date by calling: (518) 473-0332. Persons who have pre-registered will be called upon to speak first. Others will be called in the order in which they register.

Speakers must limit their testimony to five minutes and must submit three written copies of their statements.

COMMENTS:

Written, faxed or e-mailed comments on the proposed New York State Plan for the 2016-2017 Home Energy Assistance Program (HEAP) will be accepted until close of business, July 22, 2016.

Written comments should be addressed to:

NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
HEAP Bureau
40 North Pearl Street, 11B
Albany, New York 12243

Faxed comments should be sent to:

NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance
HEAP Bureau
(518) 474-9347 or (518) 474-0985

E-mailed comments should be sent to:

NYSHEAP@otda.ny.gov