



**ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM
FOR RESIDENTS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ALASSIO**

From January 1 2009 all Italian citizens and foreign residents in the municipality of Alassio may request for energy assistance at the town hall.

The **energy assistance** program, which was introduced through the Italian intergovernmental decree dated 28/12/2007, provides funding for **low-income families** to pay for the cost of energy, which therefore guarantees an annual savings on the cost of electric energy. In addition, all families with a member suffering from a **serious medical condition**, in which this member must use a home electromedical device in order to sustain life, have the right to energy assistance.

Therefore, all **citizens with an account with the household energy supplier in their name and at their place of residence** have the right to energy assistance, based on the following conditions:

- **LOW-INCOME** for individuals with an annual maximum income of 7,500.00 Euros according to the ISEE guidelines (which assess the poverty level) and for families with four or more dependent children with an annual maximum income of 20,000 Euros.

and/or

- **DISABLING PHYSICAL CONDITION**, in which one family member has a serious medical condition which requires the use of electromedical devices to sustain life.

To receive energy assistance, applicants which meet the above mentioned requirements may go the town hall to request the following **forms, which must be filled out and signed**:

- **FORM A or A/bis** (in the case of large families) – *Istanza per l'ammissione al regime di compensazione per la fornitura di energia elettrica - Disagio Economico (Application for Electric Energy Compensation - Low-Income)*
- and/or **FORM B** – *Istanza per l'ammissione al regime di compensazione per la fornitura di energia elettrica - Disagio Fisico (Application for Electric Energy Compensation – Disabling Physical Condition)*

Applicants must enclose and present the **following documents** along with one of the above mentioned forms:

- **ISEE DOCUMENTATION**, valid for 2008 in the case of low-income families
- **ASL CERTIFICATION OR FORM C** (*Dichiarazione sostitutiva della certificazione ASL - Documentation which substitutes the ASL certification*), for disabling physical conditions
- **FORM E** (*Dichiarazione sostitutiva della certificazione dei figli a carico - Documentation which substitutes the certification of dependent children*) for large families with financial hardship
- A Copy of a **DOCUMENT OF IDENTIFICATION** (if presented by an appointed delegate, a document of identification of the delegate must be included)

Once the applicant has provided the **required documentation**, the Municipality will issue a **Attestazione di Presentazione della Domanda di Agevolazione (Documentation of Presentation of the Energy Assistance Application)**, thereby confirming the data be sent to the proper energy supplier and the assisted funding be directly applied to the bill within and no later than 60 days from the date the request is received by the energy supplier. The applicant may track the progress of the application by visiting the website <http://www.bonusenergia.anci.it> and inserting the **password** issued by the Municipality and included in the same Documentation of Presentation.

According the parameters established by the decree, each family may request energy assistance for only one energy supply. Funding for low-income families is valid for 12 months and is retroactive for 2008 if requested by April 30 2009. Funding is not subject to expiry and will be applied without interruption for families with a disabling medical condition as long as the need for in-home electromedical device exists. Funding is applicable to both households with low-income as well as those in which a family member has a disabling physical condition, as long as all requirements are met.

Please contact the Politiche Sociali Office of the Alassio Municipality, address P.zza Libertà 3, or telephone us at 0182.60.2228, or write to us at politichesociali@comune.alassio.sv.it for more information or assistance on the application process for assisted funding.