



# Application for Reduction in Utility Rates

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**Please read the Program Guidelines before continuing.**

**Proof of eligibility may be required. Incomplete applications will not be processed.**

**Please check all that apply:**

- ☐ I receive a utility bill from the City of Kent.
- ☐ I do not receive a bill from the City of Kent.
- ☐ I have disposal service with Republic Services.

**Eligibility requirements:**

- ☐ I certify that I am 62 years of age or older and my total annual household income is less than the Federal HUD guidelines.
- ☐ I certify that I am \_\_\_\_ years of age and totally and permanently disabled by the Social Security Administration and my total annual household income is less than the Federal HUD guidelines.
- ☐ Parent or Guardian of a disabled minor receiving permanent disability payments from the Social Security Administration and my total annual household income is less than the Federal HUD guidelines.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone

\_\_\_\_\_  
Property Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
Account Number (if applicable)

**Please list all household members including yourself; include annual income for each member:**

_____	\$
_____	\$
_____	\$

***If there are more than 3 members in your household, please list them and their income on a separate page***

I have read & understood all of the 2020 Utility Rate Reduction Program Guidelines provided with this application, and that all of the information provided by me on this application is accurate, complete, and true to the best of my knowledge.

I understand the rate reduction is for 2020 only and it is my responsibility to re-apply annually for this program during the application period.

I understand that if I receive utility relief and do not disclose all sources of gross income for household members for 2019, the City may recover the actual cost of my utility bills for the period that I was not eligible.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Relationship to Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Received By: \_\_\_\_\_ Denied By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Income Total: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Household: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ Renewal ☐ New ☐ Sent to Disposal Co

# Utility Rate Reduction Program Guidelines

The City of Kent offers utility rate reductions for eligible senior citizens and disabled persons based on income and place of residence. The eligibility criteria for the Lifeline rates are established by the City Council. For more information call 253-856-5201.

## Who is eligible for the program?

- Senior, age 62 or older or
- Disabled person receiving permanent disability payments from the Social Security Administration or
- Parent or Guardian of disabled minor receiving permanent disability payments from the Social Security Administration and
- Total household income shall not exceed the limits set annually by the Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development (listed below)
- Applicant Must be responsible for payment of utility bills and living at the address receiving services.

## What determines total household income?

**Total household income is the gross income of yourself and that of any other tenants living in the home.**

**Some examples of gross income include:**

- Wages, salaries and tips
- Interest and dividends
- IRA withdrawals
- Social Security benefits
- Business income
- Pension and annuity receipts
- Governmental assistance

## What do I need to include with my application?

- Proof of residency
- If you are a new applicant, please bring your application in to the office, along with your identification card or driver's license and income verification
- If you are renewing your application, please drop your application off at the office with your income verification, or you may choose to mail your application in with income verification (please remember to cover any sensitive information on documentation)

### Official HUD Income Guidelines (effective 2019)

Household Size	Maximum Annual Gross Income
1 .....	\$61,800
2 .....	\$70,600
3 .....	\$79,450
4 .....	\$88,250
5 .....	\$95,350
6 .....	\$102,400
7 .....	\$109,450
8 .....	\$116,500

### Lifeline Utility Rates

#### Lifeline water usage rate

(water access charges will still apply)  
\$.61 per unit

#### Lifeline sewer rate

\$58.03 per month

#### Lifeline storm drainage

\$0.92 per month

#### Lifeline solid waste rate

50% of the monthly rate