



MEDI-COOL PROGRAM

With funding from the Mercer County Department of Human Services Office on Aging, Catholic Charities, Diocese of Trenton and Rise, A Community Service Partnership, of Hightstown, have partnered to provide 5,000 BTU Air Conditioning Units for Mercer County low-income seniors and/or adults who have a disability.

Catholic Charities and Rise will screen applicants for eligibility from June 1, 2022 until all units are distributed. Approved applicants will receive a voucher and be scheduled to pick up their air conditioner from a storage facility in Trenton on a specific date and time.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Age 60 and above with a disability or illness that restricts normal daily tasks, threatens one's ability to live independently, or puts one at risk of harm due to unfavorable environmental conditions.
- Age 18 and above with a disability and currently receiving SSI or SSD.
- Income at or below 200% of poverty line.
- Assets less than \$2,000.
- Must not have received an air conditioner through this program within the last three (3) years.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

- Proof of income (*recent paystub, disability award letter, etc.*)
- Prescription from primary care physician (*must specify medical illness/condition and reasoning for needing an air conditioner*)
- Proof of assets (*recent bank statement*)
- Proof of residence (*utility bill, lease, etc.*)
- Individuals who qualify must bring someone with them who can help carry the air conditioner home from the scheduled pick-up appointment.



For more information or to schedule an eligibility screening, interested agencies or individuals may contact one of the programs listed below:

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