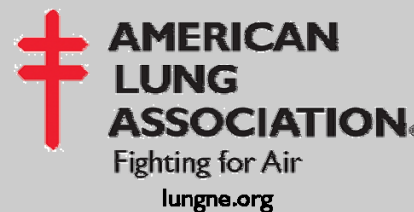




Holyoke Area Woodstove Changeout Project Fact Sheet



General Information

Approximately \$59,000 will be available this fall in vouchers for participants to use in the purchase of a new woodstove, pellet stove or gas stove to replace their non-EPA certified old stove. Vouchers are for \$1500 toward a new woodstove; \$2000 for a new pellet or gas stove and \$3000 for low income participants. Low income is defined as a documented participant in the Women, Infants and Children's Supplemental Nutrition Program, the Massachusetts Medicaid program or the Low Income Heating Assistance Program. Documentation is required as part of the voucher application process. In no case shall the voucher exceed the cost of the stove and installation.

If callers ask about the origins of the money the following statement should be used: **"This project was undertaken by Mt Tom Generating Company LLC in connection with the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for alleged violations of the environmental laws of the Commonwealth."**

Participation Requirements:

- Must be a resident and homeowner of Holyoke, South Hadley, Easthampton or Northampton MA
- Must be currently using a non-EPA certified woodstove (build pre- 1990) Coal stoves replacements are not included.
- Must trade your old stove in for a new EPA certified woodstove, pellet stove or gas stove only at a participating retailer. (list will be supplied)
- Must have the new stove professionally installed. No do-it –yourself option.
- Must fully complete a voucher application form including a photo of the existing stove and any documentation needed if applying for the low income voucher. Documentation should be a copy of your current Medicaid card, copy of an official letter certifying that you are currently participating in the LIHEAP or WIC program. Application should be mailed to the American Lung Association's Maine office at 122 State St. Augusta ME 04330 c/o Michelle Edwards.
- Must enter into a purchase and sale agreement with a participating retailer prior to the expiration of the voucher
- Vouchers will be available on a first come first served basis and only received via US mail. Postmarks will be used to establish the voucher list and any waiting list.
- Limit of one voucher per household
- Workplaces are not eligible to participate

Retailer Information

- Interested retailers are asked to contact Michelle Edwards via email medwards@lungne.org (preferred) or by phone 207-624-0304 for an application to participate.
- Retailers **DO NOT** need to have their business location in the 4 town area.