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## MEASURES OF SUPPORT TO ECONOMICALLY VULNERABLE FAMILIES

On the 22nd December, was approved the Decree-Law 85-B/2022, establishing a support for vulnerable families in face of the extraordinary price increases.

With inflation currently on the rise due to the armed conflict in Ukraine, which has caused a continuous increase in the prices with a significant impact on the cost of living, the Government decided to create an extraordinary support to reduce the effects of the extraordinary increase in the prices of basic necessities.

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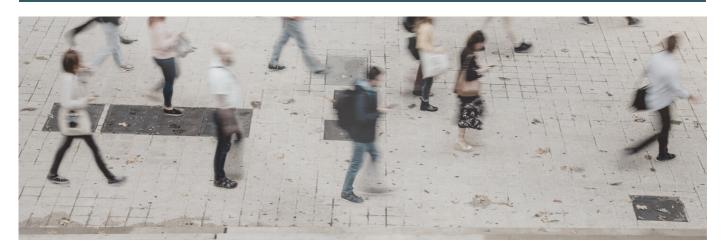






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The first phase of this support, in April 2022, counted with the payment of 60 euros per household by Social Security. To benefit from this support, at least one member of the household had to be a beneficiary of the social tariff for electrical energy.

However, with the Decree-Law no. 30-D/2022, 18th April, this support was also applied to households receiving minimum social benefits.

In July and August 2022, now in its second phase, under Decree Law no. 42/2022 of 29th June, this support of 60 euros was repeated, to be applied to the same beneficiaries in the first phase.

Since there is still a need to support the most vulnerable families, in December this support entered in the third phase, with the payment of 240 euros to households that are beneficiaries of the social tariff of electrical energy that received the support in the second phase, as well beneficiaries of the minimum social benefits.

If it is necessary to enter in a fourth phase and you are one of the beneficiaries of this support, since the payment is done preferably by bank transfer, we advise you to check your bank details at the Social Security Direct or register your IBAN.