HOUSTON-HARRIS COUNTY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



Administered by Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston and BakerRipley

RENTERS: IMPACTED BY COVID-19? HELP IS ON THE WAY!

The City of Houston and Harris County are working together to provide \$159 million in rent and utilities assistance to families who are at risk of losing their homes due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Funds will be distributed by BakerRipley and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston.

OVERVIEW

- Help for past-due rent dating back to April 2020, and up to two months of future rent for a maximum of 12 months total
- Utility assistance for past-due electricity, gas or water bills
- Rent assistance will be paid to participating landlords enrolled in the program
- If a landlord is not enrolled, direct assistance may be available
- Assistance is not first-come, first-served, but will be distributed randomly.

RENTER ELIGIBILITY

- Household income at or below 80% of HUD Area Median Family Income, AND...
- Experiencing housing instability or risk of homelessness, due to past due rent or utilities, or an eviction note, AND...
- Experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic due to reduced work hours, unemployment, business closure, or significant new costs.

APPLICATION FOR RENTERS HoustonHarrisHelp.org

NEED HELP SUBMITTING AN APPLICATION?

Community agencies (navigators) will help families complete applications. The list of navigators will be posted on HoustonHarrisHelp.org soon.

LANDLORDS: PLEASE ENROLL

- Landlords register up-front for fastest payment: tenants select landlord when applying
- Funds for past-due, current and future rent go directly to landlord through electronic payment (ACH)
- Full landlord guidelines are available at HoustonHarrisHelp.org

ENROLLMENT FOR LANDLORDS HoustonHarrisHelp.org

Please note: Tenant application and landlord enrollment process do not guarantee rental assistance.



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