

# Emergency Rental Assistance Program

HCAA has the ability to also assist Harford County households that are experiencing financial hardships due to COVID-19.

*Under the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) grant, HCAA has the ability to also assist Harford County households that are experiencing financial hardships that affect their ability to pay rent in accordance with their rental agreements.*

The ERAP grant will provide aid to qualifying households for up to twelve (12) months.

## ELIGIBILITY FOR ERAP HOUSEHOLDS WILL QUALIFY FOR RENTAL ASSISTANCE IF:

- The household falls within 80% of the annual median income. (Please see the income guidelines).
- An eviction notice is available or other approved documentation to show the "at-risk" status and vulnerability i.e. landlord ledger or documentation from the landlord on their letterhead.

## HOUSEHOLDS WILL NEED TO PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS

### 1. Verification of income

- Certification of loss of income due to COVID-19
- Last three pay stubs prior to job loss or decrease in employment
- Most recent bank statement
- Verification of benefits within the last 30 days (such as unemployment, food stamps)
- W-2/1099 tax forms for 2019 and/or self-certification
- Most recent utility bill

**2. Eviction notice or correspondence from your landlord indicating your rent is in arrears and the amount owed.**

**3. Fully executed rental/lease agreement and addendums.**

## HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND AREA MEDIAN INCOME

Household Members	80% of Median Income
1	\$54,950
2	\$62,800
3	\$70,650
4	\$78,500
5	\$84,800
6	\$91,100
7	\$97,350
8	\$103,650

# COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP)

HCAA is providing Rental Assistance to households affected by the Covid-19 Crisis in order to prevent pandemic related evictions.

## HOW MUCH WILL I RECEIVE?

Assistance is paid directly to your landlord and will depend on your circumstances, but it could be for up to 12 months' rent.

## WHO CAN APPLY?

Eligible households that include an individual who has been unemployed for the 90 days prior to application for assistance and households with income at or below 50 percent of the area median are to be prioritized for assistance.

## WHAT IF I WAS DENIED UNDER A PRIOR PROGRAM?

You are encouraged to apply for ERAP even if you were denied under previous phases of Harford County Government funding.

## HOW DO I APPLY?

Download the Application or fill it out online.

Applicants will be asked to provide the following documentation:

### 1. Verification of income

Certification of loss of income due to COVID-19

Last three pay stubs prior to job loss or decrease in employment

Most recent bank statement

Verification of benefits within the last 30 days (such as unemployment, food stamps)

W-2/1099 tax forms for 2019 and/or self-certification

Most recent utility bill

**2. Eviction notice or correspondence from your landlord indicating your rent is in arrears and the amount owed.**

**3. Fully executed rental/lease agreement and addendums.**

*Note: Incomplete applications will not be processed*