



CITY OF HAVERHILL EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE



Have you lost income because of COVID-19? If you are having trouble paying your rent or utilities, the City of Haverhill may be able to help.

The City of Haverhill is launching a temporary rent support program designed to help people who have lost income because of COVID-19 pay their rent and/or utilities.

Please note rental assistance will be provided for up to **90 days** and will not exceed \$2,100. Monthly assistance will be determined on a case by case basis and may not assist with back rent payment (rent arrears). All payments made on behalf of the applicant will be paid directly to the landlord.

If you are receiving COVID-19 unemployment benefits and/ or other benefits, you must make a contribution toward your back rent for April, May and/or June 2020.

You do NOT have to have been diagnosed with COVID-19 to be eligible.

You must be at or below these income guidelines:

Family Size	Low/Moderate Income
1	\$54,900
2	\$62,750
3	\$70,600
4	\$78,400
5	\$84,700
6	\$90,950

You may NOT be eligible if:

- You receive other government rental assistance (Section 8, Housing Choice Vouchers, etc.).
- You have unpaid rent from before March 2020.

Exceptions will be determined on a case by case basis.

To be eligible:

- You must rent an apartment or house in the City of Haverhill.
- You must provide evidence of reduced income due to COVID-19.
- You must have been fully paid-up on your rent as of March 1, 2020 as this program will not cover back rent payments (rent arrears).
- Your landlord must have a valid rental inspection with the City of Haverhill or the Haverhill Housing Authority

You must provide these documents:

- A copy of your valid, current lease, or documentation of a month-to-month tenancy arrangement, signed by your landlord; and
- Evidence of reduced income due to COVID-19.
- ID for each name/names on the lease.

Your landlord must also agree to:

- Waive late fees, interest and penalties for the months back rent is owed, between April 1 and July 30; and
- Not pursue eviction for nonpayment of rent during the months covered by the program.

We are all in this together. In order to maximize public resources, applicants must demonstrate that there has been an effort made to ask landlords to contribute by offering rent reductions.

[CLICK HERE TO APPLY!](#)

Or visit cityofhaverhill.com/departments/community_development_block_grant.php
If you do not have access to the web, call for help with an application!
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