

Emergency Rental Assistance

Instructions and Information

The County of Perry has received funds to help its residents with rental and utility arrears and payments. This document serves as an information sheet about the program and instructions on how to fill out the application.

➤ To be eligible for this grant, you must:

1. Qualify for unemployment benefits **OR** experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship due directly or indirectly to COVID-19 that threaten the household's ability to pay the costs of the rental property when due;
2. Demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability, which may include past due rent and utility notices and eviction notices;
3. Must be at 80% Area Median Income or below. These incomes can be found below:

FY 2020 Income Limits

Harrisburg-Carlisle Region

*U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

| | 1 Person | 2 Persons | 3 Persons | 4 Persons | 5 Persons | 6 Persons | 7 Persons | 8 Persons |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Extremely Low (30%) Income Limits | 17,850 | 20,400 | 22,950 | 26,200 | 30,680 | 35,160 | 39,640 | 44,120 |
| Very Low (50%) Income Limits | 29,750 | 34,000 | 38,250 | 42,500 | 45,900 | 49,300 | 52,700 | 56,100 |
| Low (80%) Income Limits | 47,600 | 54,400 | 61,200 | 68,000 | 73,450 | 78,900 | 84,350 | 89,800 |

➤ All applicants must include the following documents in their application.

1. 2020 Tax return (form 1040) **OR** 2 months of most recent paystubs **OR** unemployment compensation statement
2. Signed lease or rental agreement
3. Documentation from landlord or utility provider demonstrating arrears owed
4. Copy of identification (government issued photo ID or driver's license, passport, birth certificate, etc.)
5. Proof of residence, if not included in other required documents

➤ Please fill out all sections within the application to the best of your ability. The sections with the red star (*) are required.

➤ Household is defined as "a group of related or nonrelated individuals who are living together as one economic unit."

➤ Under the certification section on the application, please read each line carefully. When read and agreed, please print your name on the blank line within each of the statements.

➤ It is important to create a line of communication with the landlord or utility provider that you owe arrears to. If this line of communication has been disrupted, a case manager that will reach out to you can help you with that communication.

➤ A max of 12 months of rental/utility assistance is allowed. Assessed on a case-by-case basis, up to 3 months of forward rent can be approved. Once the three months is up, a recertification process will take place to decide if more assistance is needed.

If you have any questions, please call Andy Pepper 717-601-8027 (8AM – 4PM, M-F) or email apepper@perryco.org.