



Get Help with Rent during COVID-19

If you do not speak English, in-person or phone translation services are available. Call or visit any of the City of Chicago Community Service Centers listed at the bottom of this page for help in your language. This program is open to all Chicago residents regardless of legal immigration status. Rental assistance is not a “public charge” benefit.

Si no habla inglés, hay servicios de traducción en persona o por teléfono disponibles. Llame a o visite cualquiera de los centros de servicio comunitario de la Ciudad de Chicago que se mencionan al final de la página para obtener ayuda en su idioma. Este programa está abierto para todos los residentes de Chicago, independientemente de su estatus migratorio. La asistencia para el pago de alquiler no es un beneficio de “carga pública”.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY, PLEASE VISIT: chicago.gov/fss/RAP

ABOUT: The Rental Assistance Program (RAP) provides funding to Chicagoans who are at risk of becoming homeless. RAP helps Chicagoans who have housing right now, but who may become homeless soon because they lost income or had another eligible emergency which prevents them from paying rent.

ASSISTANCE MAY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- Payment of future rent, or rent arrears to prevent eviction
- Security deposits in cases of fire, flood, foreclosure, domestic violence, or eviction

YOU ARE ELIGIBLE IF:

- 1) You are at risk of homelessness because of eviction, loss of income, or other emergency
- 2) You are low-income
- 3) You are live in the City of Chicago
- 5) Your landlord completes RAP requirements

OPTIONS TO PROVE ELIGIBILITY

- 1) Eviction notice, proof of loss of income, or proof of another qualifying emergency
- 2) Paystub, benefits statement, or other
- 3) Driver's license, state ID, CityKey, or other
- 4) Lease, notarized letter, or other
- 5) Landlord agreement form

WHAT WILL HAPPEN AFTER YOU APPLY: DFSS will use a lottery to choose applications to process. If your application is chosen, a case manager will call or email you to make sure your application is complete. They may ask you to submit more documents, and will make sure your housing unit meets minimum standards.

You may also contact the homeless prevention call center 311 (ask for “short term help”) or visit one of the six Community Service Centers for help or to apply in person.

- Englewood Center, 1140 W. 79th Street, Chicago, IL 60620 / 312-747-0200
- Garfield Center, 10 S. Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, IL 60612 / 312-746-5400
- King Center, 4314 S. Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, IL 60653 / 312-747-2300
- North Area, 845 W. Wilson Avenue, Chicago, IL 60640 / 312-744-2580
- South Chicago, 8650 S. Commercial Avenue, Chicago, IL 60617 / 312-747-0331
- Trina Davila, 4312 W. North Avenue, Chicago, IL 60639 / 312-744-2014