

Rent Assistance Available Thanks to CARES Act

On June 25, Gov. Eric Holcomb announced the creation of the Indiana COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program, which will use \$25 million in federal CARES Act funding to help Hoosiers struggling to pay rent due to the impact of COVID-19.

The program will provide up to \$500 in assistance for four months, totaling a maximum of \$2,000 in assistance to eligible renters to help cover past and ongoing rent payments or late fees.

To be eligible, renters must meet the following criteria:

- Lost their job or part of their income due to COVID-19
- Current household income, including unemployment, is less than the household income on March 6
- Have not received rental assistance from another source

Payments will be made directly to the landlord, and the landlord must agree to participate.

Applications will be accepted online beginning at 9 a.m. on Monday, July 13 at www.indianahousingnow.org.

Prior to applying, renters should speak with their property manager if they are unable to make their payments. Additional resources can be found in the state's [Coronavirus Eviction & Foreclosure Prevention Guide](#).