Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services COVID Rent Relief Program – Phase 2





Are you behind on rent payments? If you have lost income due to the impact of COVID on our community, you may be eligible for rent relief.

The Montgomery County Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is providing shortterm financial assistance to eligible households who have lost income due to the COVID pandemic. While funds are available, the program will provide up to \$4,000 in rent relief to eligible households for rent arrears and a rent credit for future months.

Who is eligible?

- Households must be at or below 60% AMI, based on the last 30 days of income (see table →).
- Households must be paying at least 50% of their income on rent.
- Income loss must be related to COVID-19.
- Households must be at least one month behind on rent payments.
- Must have applied for unemployment benefits (if eligible).
- Must be a Montgomery County resident since at least February 2020.
- Households may have formal or informal lease arrangements.

Households that have already received a COVID Rent Relief Grant, a State Assisted Housing Relief Program grant
(through their property), or are receiving a housing voucher are not eligible. This HHS Rent Relief Program is
separate and different than the Rental Assistance Program operated by Housing Opportunities Commission, and
households may apply to both. Applications will be prioritized based on areas of highest COVID impact, with
households outside of the initial "high impact" neighborhoods placed on a waitlist and contacted as capacity
allows.

How do I apply?

Don't wait! If you are already behind on rent, don't wait until you have an eviction notice to find out if you are eligible for support. Reach out as soon as possible.

- Visit us online to submit your request for rent relief, OR
- **Call 311** and tell them that you are behind on rent and need assistance, OR
- HHS Outreach Workers will also be announcing inperson visits at select sites.

What do I need to apply?

You will need the following documents to apply. You will <u>not</u> need to provide a Social Security number or birth certificate.

- Proof of income (can be self-certified)
- Photo identification
- Rent ledger

Find out more and apply now!



Family Size	Max. Monthly Income 60% AMI
1	\$4,250
2	\$4,855
3	\$5,461
4	\$6,065
5	\$6,555
6	\$7,040
7	\$7,525
8	\$8,010