



Emergency Rent Assistance Program Overview

The arrival of the COVID-19 virus shut down communities in 2020 and caused millions of Americans to lose their jobs and incomes. Renters who lost their jobs were stuck without resources and faced certain eviction and utility shut offs. The Consolidated Appropriations Act (CARES) included funds

to help landlords recoup lost rent and provided tenants a chance to eliminate any rent or utility arrears as they made their way back to the workforce. Larimer County was one of 426 jurisdictions who received Emergency Rent Assistance funds in early 2021.

Program Stats April-October 2021

\$10.74 Million | Total Funds Allocated to Larimer County

2,026 | Total Larimer County Households Served

\$4,100 | Average Payment Per Household



Program Eligibility

- ▶ Lives in Larimer County
- ▶ Tenants earn 80% Average Median Income (AMI) or less
- ▶ Reduction in pay, hours worked, or other reduced income due to the COVID-19 outbreak
- ▶ At risk of eviction or homelessness
- ▶ AND/OR at risk of Utilities being shut off
- ▶ Program covers rent arrears and Utility arrears of up to 12 months, plus current month and two future months
- ▶ Payments made to landlords AND/OR Utility providers



Eviction prevention is a cost-effective way to keep people housed.



Housing keeps people safe and stable while they seek employment, go to work, and attend school.



Supporting low-income families by paying their rent and utilities keeps our emergency shelter capacity manageable.

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