Are You Eligible To Apply For CA COVID-19 Rent Relief? (Must check all to be eligible)

☐ Are you struggling financially and seeking assistance for Rent and/or Utilities for your primary residence, located in California?

☐ Has anyone in the household experienced reduction/loss of income OR incurred significant expenses OR other financial hardships OR qualified for unemployment benefits since April 1, 2020 related to COVID-19?

☐ Can anyone in your household demonstrate that they are either at risk of homelessness or housing instability, has past due rent or utilities or is living in unsafe living conditions?

If you checked ALL of the above, you are eligible to apply. Before applying, you’ll need the following items. (A full list of acceptable paperwork can be found at HousingIsKey.com)

1. Verify Identity (All household members listed on the rental agreement must provide at least ONE proof of identity)
   • Government issued birth certificate, driver’s license, or identification card
   • Employment identification card
   • Marriage license/certificate or certified divorce decree
   • Current school records documenting a student’s status as full-time at a degree or certificate granting institution. (Only for household members 18 years and older)

2. Verify Income (All household members over the age of 18 must provide ONE of the following)
   • IRS Tax forms such as 1099, 1040/1040A or Schedule C of 1040 showing amount earned and employment period or most recent federal income tax statements
   • W-2 form, if you have had the same employer for at least two years and increases can be accurately projected
   • Most recent paycheck stubs (consecutive: six for weekly pay, three for bi-weekly or semi-monthly pay, two for monthly pay)
   • Employer-generated salary report or letter stating current annual income
   • Earnings statements
   • Current bank statements

3. Verify Residence (need ONE of the following)
   • Lease agreement
   • Official letter from third party showing name and address
   • Government issued library card
   • Utility statements from providers

4. Verify Rent Owed (need ONE of the following)
   • A current lease signed by the applicant and landlord or sub-lessee that identifies the unit where the applicant resides and shows the rental payment amount
   • If you don’t have a signed lease, proof of your rent amount may include:
     • Bank statement, check stub or other proof that shows a pattern of paying rent
     • Written confirmation by a landlord who can be verified as the actual owner or management agent of where you rent

5. Verify Utility Payment(s) Owed/Due
   • Utility bill showing past or current amount due

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Paperwork is subject to cross-referencing across other government and, where applicable, third-party databases. This review is to verify the validity of the submitted items and the information included.

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Once you’ve put together the required information above, visit HousingIsKey.com and click on COVID-19 Rent Relief to apply.

Sublease agreements are not eligible.