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Rental Housing Helpline (650) 399-2149



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# CA COVID-19 Rental Assistance

## Rent Past Due?

Renters and landlords have enough things to worry about. Past due rent shouldn't be one of them.

## Who Can Apply?

- Landlords who have income-eligible renters experiencing a financial hardship due to COVID-19 with past due rent.
- Renters who have experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19, have past due rent or utilities, and have a household income that is not more than 80% of the area median income.

Where to  
Apply?  
[HousingIsKey.com](https://HousingIsKey.com)

## How Much Rent Relief Will I Get?

Landlords can get reimbursed for 80% of past due rent accrued between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021, if they agree to forgive the remaining 20% of unpaid rent.

Eligible renters whose landlords choose not to participate may still apply on their own and receive 25% of unpaid rent accrued between April 1, 2020, and March 31, 2021. Paying 25% of past due rent by June 30, 2021 can help keep renters in their homes under the extended eviction protections provided in SB91.

**\*\*\*THIS ASSISTANCE CANNOT BE CONSIDERED  
AGAINST YOU AS A PUBLIC CHARGE. \*\*\***  
**\*\*\*NO CITIZENSHIP OR IMMIGRATION STATUS REQUIRED. \*\***

# How to Apply?

## Step 1

Website: <https://housing.ca.gov/>

(Option to click on English or Spanish application):

- Click on I'm a Renter
- Click on New Applicant
- On the map, click/ type out the city you live in
- Go through eligibility quiz
- If qualified, can start application process

## RENTAL ASSISTANCE

### FOR PRIOR UNPAID RENT IS AVAILABLE!

Achieving the best outcome requires active landlord and tenant participation.

## Step 2 Take the Eligibility Quiz

1. Are you a landlord or tenant?
2. Are you a member of the tribes listed?
3. Is your household income at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) for San Mateo County?

Number of people in family	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Annual income in 2020	\$97,600	\$111,550	\$125,500	\$139,400	\$150,600	\$161,750	\$172,900	\$184,050

4. Have you or anyone in your household qualified for unemployment benefits, experienced a reduction in income, or experienced other financial hardships due to COVID-19?
5. Do you have a past-due rent notice, an eviction notice, can demonstrate housing instability or risk of homelessness, past due utilities or need assistance paying future rent or utilities?

## Did you complete Step 1 and 2?

In EAST PALO ALTO, the City and local non-profit organizations are supporting this effort. If you need help submitting a rental assistance application, please contact:

Nuestra Casa at (650)771-4449, YUCA at (650)450-1920, Samaritan House at (650)798-4820 or Project Sentinel at (650)399-2149.

\*If you do not have proof of income, ask how you can self-certify\*



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