

Berks County Emergency Rental Assistance Program



The **Berks County Emergency Rental Assistance Program** is designed to ensure housing stability by providing rental and utility payments to landlords and utility companies to keep residents in their homes during the COVID-19 pandemic.

ELIGIBILITY

The program is for renters who meet the following criteria due to the **COVID-19 pandemic** (*conditions 1 or 2, and 3 and 4*):

1. Qualify for PA unemployment compensation;
-- OR --
2. Experienced a 20% or more reduction in household income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardships;
-- AND --
3. Household income at or below 80% of area median income; and
4. At risk of homelessness or housing instability



ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

Aid is available for the following costs for up to 12 months. Eligible costs must have been incurred on or after April 1, 2020.



- Monthly Rent
- Up to \$750/month toward utilities
- Late Rent and Late Utility fees

HOW TO APPLY

An application portal is available at www.bceh.org.

If you have difficulties accessing technology, please call (610) 372-7222 for assistance.



You **MUST** have a functioning email address to apply!

**APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FROM
MARCH 8 - AUGUST 30, 2021.**

