



HEALTHY AT HOME EVICTION RELIEF FUND

OVERVIEW

The Healthy at Home Eviction Relief Fund keeps Kentuckians healthy and housed during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Last year, Team Kentucky helped 4,135 households avoid eviction with nearly \$15 million in assistance. Starting February 15, eligible tenants can apply for assistance with rent or utility bills dating back to April 2020 and three months of future payments. Payments will be made directly to landlords and utility providers.

For information or to fill out an application, visit teamkyhherf.ky.gov.

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

Kentucky recently received \$297 million in federal Coronavirus Relief Funds to help prevent evictions for renters who have been impacted economically by COVID-19. Funding from the U.S. Treasury was sent to three Kentucky jurisdictions – the state of Kentucky, Lexington-Fayette County Urban Government, and Louisville-Jefferson County Metro Government. All three programs will offer the same rent assistance to approved applicants – 100 percent of past-due rent, dating back to April 2020, and up to three months of future payments.

To apply in Fayette County: covid19renterhelp.org

To apply in Jefferson County: stopmyeviction.org

For all other counties: teamkyhherf.ky.gov

Those applying through the Team Kentucky portal can also receive help with past-due and future utility bills.

DETAILS

- The Team Kentucky portal will open at 8 a.m. Monday, February 15.
- Tenants must meet certain income guidelines. An income calculator is available at teamkyhherf.ky.gov
- To qualify, both the landlord and tenant should apply at teamkyhherf.ky.gov. Applications are processed more quickly when **both** the landlord and the tenant apply online.
- Maximum rent relief: 100% of past-due rent since April 1, 2020, and three months future rent.
- Maximum utility relief: 100% of past-due utilities since April 1, 2020, and three months of future utilities.
- Assistance can cover a maximum of 12 months of back rent and utility arrears (and three months of future rent/utility payments).
- Lump sum, direct payments will be made to landlords and utility providers.

- Landlords must forgive as well as any late fees, penalties and interest related to non-payment of rent.
- Landlords must also agree to not begin eviction proceedings until at least 45 days after the period covered by assistance.

REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICANTS

- Tenants and landlords must each have an email address and they must share their address with one another. This helps link the applications and speeds up processing.
- A lease is required. A template is available at teamkyhherf.ky.gov.
- Tenants must have documentation of their address, income, and proof they are behind on rent and/or utility payments.
- A complete list of requirements is available at teamkyhherf.ky.gov.

SLIDE BULLETS

- Starting February 15, Kentucky will re-launch the Healthy at Home Eviction Relief Fund, a statewide effort to prevent evictions
- Lexington and Louisville each have their own program
 - Fayette County residents can apply at covid19renterhelp.org
 - Jefferson County residents can apply at stopmyeviction.org
- The rest of the state can apply at teamkyhherf.ky.gov.
- Both the landlord and tenant should fill out an application online.
- Assistance is available for unpaid rent and utilities dating back to April 1, 2020, and up to three months of future payments.
- Details, including income qualifications and document requirements, are available on the website
- Approved payments will be made in a lump sum to landlords and utility companies.
- For more information, visit teamkyhherf.ky.gov.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Applicants must apply online at teamkyhherf.ky.gov.