



You may qualify for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program



The Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) is helping residents of households behind on their rent, who have experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19, and are at risk of homelessness or housing instability. ERAP is providing significant economic relief to help qualified low and moderate-income households by providing rental arrears (rent overdue), temporary rental assistance, and utility arrears assistance.

DO I QUALIFY?

Eligible residents must meet the following criteria:

- Household gross income at or below 80 percent of area median income, which varies by household size.
- On or after March 13, 2020, a member of the household received unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardship, directly or indirectly, due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- The applicant is obligated to pay rent at their primary residence and has rental arrears at their current residence for rent owed on or after March 13, 2020.
- Households eligible for rental arrears may also be eligible for help paying utility arrears at the same rental unit.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

This assistance can pay up to 12 months of past due rent and for some households, pay up to 3 months for future rent. The program can also pay for up to 12 months of overdue electric or gas bills. Please note, payments will be issued to the landlord/property owner and utility providers on behalf of the tenant. Tenant applicants will be notified of the amounts paid on their behalf. If a landlord is difficult to locate or does not otherwise provide information needed to complete the application, funds will be held for 180 days to allow sufficient time to locate the landlord and collect required information as well as to provide tenant protections and maximize landlord participation.

Contact the FSL Family Center near your Suffolk County residence:

Bay Shore 631-650-0104
Huntington 631-470-1440
Mastic Beach 631-874-1327
Riverhead 631-591-7577

[Click here](#) to review the Required Documentation

[Click to review the ERAP Application](#)

Not sure what FSL location to call? [Click here](#) to see which location is closest to your town.

OR

Contact NYS at www.otda.ny.gov/ERAP or 844-NY1RENT (844-691-7368)



Office of Temporary
and Disability Assistance



ADA
Americans with
Disabilities Act



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