# COVID-19 HOUSING AND UTILITY RESOURCES FOR HOOSIERS



## **HOUSING AND UTILITY RESOURCES**









- At the Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (IHCDA), we are committed to our mission of providing housing opportunities, promoting self-sufficiency, and strengthening communities.
- Over the past few months, we have worked closely with partners and sub-grantees to identify a variety of housing and utility resources for Hoosiers impacted financially by the COVID-19 pandemic.



### **MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE**









- Indiana homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortgage payments or are unable to make future payments due to an involuntary financial hardship, should contact the Indiana Foreclosure Prevention Network (IFPN).
- IFPN can provide mortgage payment assistance of up to 6 months.
- Mortgage reinstatement assistance is available for individuals that have fallen behind on their mortgage but can currently make payments.
- Homeowners in need of assistance should visit www.877gethope.org or call toll-free 1-877-285-0401.



#### RENTAL ASSISTANCE PORTAL









- The state's Rental Assistance Portal can be accessed from the top banner of the <u>www.indianahousingnow.org</u> webpage.
- The portal is currently accepting applications for rental assistance.
- Up to 6 months in rental assistance is available for individuals financially impacted by COVID-19 that qualify.
- Please note: Individuals living in Marion County (Indianapolis) seeking rental assistance should visit: <a href="www.indyrent.org">www.indyrent.org</a>.



# **INDIANA HOUSING NOW WEBSITE**









- The Indiana Housing Now website also provides dynamic search options allow individuals to find affordable, accessible, and marketrate housing.
- In addition to searching for housing, there is also a listing of housing resources, homeownership information, and tenant tools.
- The website address is: www.indianahousingnow.org.
- A toll-free call center is available from 8:00 am 7:00 pm by calling:
  1-877-428-8844. The call center helps in English, Spanish and TTY.



#### **UTILITY ASSISTANCE**









- The Energy Assistance Program (EAP) helps Hoosiers pay their heat and electric bills. EAP is a federally-funded program through the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).
- Applications for Program Year 2021 are now being accepted.
- To see eligibility requirements and a list of local service providers, please call 2-1-1 or visit: eap.ihcda.in.gov.



#### RESOURCE GUIDE









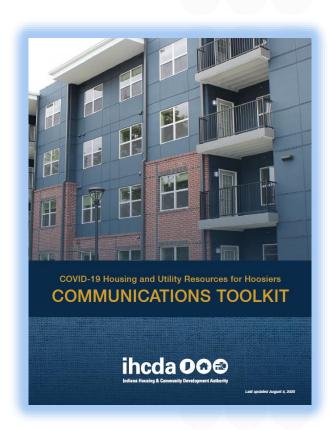
- IHCDA partnered with the Indiana Department of Financial Institutions (IDFI), the Indiana Apartment Association (IAA), Indiana Bankers Association (IBA), Indiana Mortgage Bankers Association (IMBA) and the Indiana Credit Union League (ICUL), to develop a prevention guide aimed at helping Hoosiers continue paying their rent and mortgage payments.
- The guide also provides a list of available resources.
- The guide can be found here: https://www.in.gov/ihcda/4464.htm.



# **COMMUNICATIONS TOOLKIT**

- We recognize that the most effective way to inform Hoosiers about these key resources is through our local network of community organizations like not-forprofits, community foundations, Township Trustees, faith-based organizations, local elected officials, etc.
- To assist you with disseminating this important information, we developed a communications toolkit for you to easily share information about these programs with the individuals you serve.
- The toolkit can be found at: www.in.gov/ihcda/coronavirus.htm

\*For questions about this toolkit, please contact communications@ihcda.in.gov.





# QUESTIONS?



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