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The **Indiana Emergency Rental Assistance** program launched in March of 2021; this is a federally funded program through the United States Department of Treasury. The program is open and taking applications. Eligible Hoosiers can receive up to 12 months of assistance in past due and forward facing rent and utilities which includes electric, gas, water/wastewater, and bulk fuel. Hoosiers in need of forward-facing rent receive three months paid at the time of their approval, and then will go through a recertification for an additional three months. They can do this until 12 months of rental assistance has been issued to the renter.

Eligibility

We are able to provide assistance for Hoosiers who have a household income at or below 80% of the area median income as shown in the chart below, have been financially impacted by COVID-19, and are at risk of homelessness or housing instability.

80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) for the State of Indiana							
1 person	2 person	3 person	4 person	5 person	6 person	7 person	8 person
\$40,500	\$46,250	\$52,050	\$57,850	\$62,450	\$67,100	\$71,700	\$76,350

The maximum amount of monthly rental assistance (not including utilities) is the lesser of the lease amount or the Fair Market Rent shown in the chart below.

Maximum Monthly Rental Assistance (not including utilities and internet arrears)				
Efficiency	One-Bedroom	Two-Bedroom	Three-Bedroom	Four-Bedroom
\$678.00	\$781.00	\$946.00	\$1,248.00	\$1,455.00



Community ERA Programs and Websites

- Elkhart County - Elkhartcounty.com/rentalassistance
- Hamilton County - HCTAIndiana.com
- Lake County - LakeCountyIN.care
- Marion County - Indyrent.org
- St. Joseph County - sjcindiana.com/2019/Emergency-Rental-Assistance-Program
- City of Fort Wayne - fwcommunitydevelopment.org/housing/renter-assistance
- Indiana (renters outside of locations listed above) - Indianahousingnow.org

For renters:

Renters experiencing a hardship are encouraged to apply for assistance.

You can apply at IndianaHousingNow.org or by calling 2-1-1.

If you are unsure of which program to apply for, the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau launched an online tool to help renters and landlords find and apply for assistance. That toolkit can be found [here](#).

For landlords:

State and federal housing protections have been in place since the pandemic began to help keep people in their homes during this public health crisis. These protections have impacted landlords, tenants, and courts in many ways.

The Indiana Supreme Court has a [Landlord/Tenant Task Force report](#) with information regarding these protections in the state.

Please see our Landlord One Sheet and Program Examples at IndianaHousingNow.org for additional information including specific examples of the available program benefits.

Data Update

Every Monday IHEDA will release information to keep Hoosiers informed of the status of funds for the IERA program. The data will be released with numbers for each participating county and can be found on our [website](#).