

Housing Is Key

CA COVID-19 Rent & Utility Relief Now Available

- If you have experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19 dating back to April 1, 2020;
- If you have past due rent or utilities; and
- If you have a household income that is not more than 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI)...

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San Mateo County Residents may be eligible to receive help from the State of California by applying directly to Local Initiatives Support Corporation, also known as LISC.

Renters and Landlords can verify eligibility immediately by visiting **[HousingIsKey.com](https://www.housingiskey.com)** or calling **833-430-2122**.

Things To Know

For Proof of Income, only ONE of the following is needed:

- Your 2020 Tax Return
- 2020 W2 and 1099G if you were unemployed
- Current pay stubs
- Proof of participation in a state or federal subsidy program such as CalFresh or CalWORKS (your 2020 or 2021 acceptance or renewal letter is preferred).

If applying for help with Utility Bills:

- Utility invoices or statements for any unpaid utility, water, trash, and internet bills after April 1, 2020.

Also...

- Assistance for renters through this program does NOT qualify as income.
- Income-eligible applicants may qualify regardless of immigration status. Proof of citizenship is not required.
- Don't have the paperwork mentioned above? Don't worry, still apply! Most of the information can be certified in the application with proof of identification.

Latest Updates

On June 28th, Governor Gavin Newsom signed legislation AB 832, which will make the following changes to the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP):

- ***Extends* the current eviction moratorium through September 30, 2021**
- ***Increases* reimbursement to 100 % for rent that is past due and prospective payments. Utilities are included!**
- ***Allows* tenants to access rental funds directly if their landlord chooses not to participate**
- ***Ensures* landlords can receive compensation even if their (income-qualified) tenants have already vacated a unit**

Need Help? Need Information?

LISC Local Partners include

- Fair Oaks: (650) 780-7500
- Nuestra Casa: (650) 771-4449
- Project Sentinel (650) 399-2149

Additional Community Partners include

- YUCA
- Legal Aid
- Community Legal Services in EPA
- SMC Association of Realtors