

## LOS ANGELES COMMUNITY RESOURCES FOR RENTERS

To help residents during the COVID-19 crisis, the California Apartment Association is maintaining a list of various government, nonprofit, and community-based resources to assist with housing, food, medical needs, and more. See below for the resources we have identified in your area.

## FEDERAL RESOURCES

<u>Direct Payments to Individuals</u>: Under federal law enacted to address the economic impacts of COVID-19, the IRS will be sending one-time payments to taxpayers. Most adults will receive \$1,200, depending on income and family size. Most taxpayers do not need to apply to obtain these benefits. The IRS will provide the payments either by mail or direct deposit (if the IRS has bank account information from the taxpayer's 2019 or 2018 tax returns). Individuals who did not file tax returns in 2018 or 2019 can submit their direct deposit information to the IRS through a new portal. For more information, see <a href="www.irs.gov/newsroom/economic-impact-payments-what-you-need-to-know">www.irs.gov/newsroom/economic-impact-payments-what-you-need-to-know</a>.

## **STATE RESOURCES**

<u>Disability Insurance</u>: If you are unable to work because you have, or have been exposed to, COVID-19, you may be eligible for disability insurance, which provides short-term benefit payments to eligible workers who have a full or partial loss of wages due to a non-work-related illness or injury.

<u>Paid Family Leave</u>: If you are unable to work because you are caring for an ill or quarantined family member due to COVID-19, you may qualify for paid family leave. Paid family leave provides up to 6 weeks of benefit payments to eligible workers who have a full or partial loss of income because they need time off work to care for a seriously ill family member.

<u>Unemployment Insurance</u>: If you have lost your job or had your hours reduced for reasons related to COVID-19, you may qualify for unemployment insurance benefits. You may also be eligible for these benefits if you need to miss work because your child's school is closed. Benefits under this program were recently expanded to include additional workers, apply for a longer period, and offer increased payments.

<u>Paid Sick leave</u>: If you are unable to work because you, or a family member, are sick with COVID-19 or undergoing preventative care, such as self-quarantine as a result of exposure to COVID-19, you may be eligible for paid sick leave.

<u>Workers' Compensation</u>: If you are unable to perform usual job duties after contracting COVID-19 at work, you may be eligible for workers' compensation benefits.

All information and resources on the programs listed above can be found at <a href="https://www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019">www.labor.ca.gov/coronavirus2019</a>

<u>Job Opportunities</u>: Visit <u>OnwardCa.org</u>, a platform connecting displaced workers in the state with job opportunities in critical industries. Also see <u>covid19.ca.gov/healthcorps/</u> for jobs for health professionals.



## **LOCAL RESOURCES**

- <u>LA County Emergency Rental Assistance Program</u>: provides rent payments to property owners on behalf of an income-eligible household, up to \$1,000 per month, for three months. Unincorporated areas of the First, Second, Fourth, and Fifth Supervisorial Districts are eligible. Click <u>here</u> to apply.
- Glendale Emergency Rental Assistance Program: The Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP-C19) provides residential rent payments to landlords on behalf of a low-income eligible household, up to \$750 per month, for two months (\$1,500 maximum assistance). The link to the ERAP-C19 program information and application can be found at:
- <u>City of Los Angeles Housing and Community Development Department</u>: The Los Angeles City Council unanimously voted on April 22, to create a Renter Assistance Fund to financially assist tenants. The Los Angeles Housing and Community Development Department will be in charge of creating and administering the fund.
- Pasadena Emergency Rental Assistance Program: The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program is available for eligible households financially affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The ERA can provide grants for up to three (3) months' worth of past due rent, not to exceed \$4,500 total. This program is available to renters residing in Pasadena, who have a current lease, and have notified their landlords of their inability to pay due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
- The Long Beach CARES Rental Assistance Program (LB CARES): LB CARES provides emergency rental assistance grants to income-eligible Long Beach households economically impacted during the COVID-19 pandemic through job loss, furlough or reduction in hours or pay. The grants are rental payments made on behalf of income-eligible households, up to \$1,000 per month, for a maximum of three months, to maintain housing and/or reduce rental payment delinquency in arrears due to the economic downturn during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- <u>The Resident Relief Foundation</u>: Assists responsible residents during emergency situations, with various independent grants and resources available.
- <u>Jewish Free Loan Association</u>: The Jewish Free Loan Association of Los Angeles offers interest-free loans on a non-sectarian basis to individuals and families whose needs are urgent and who may not qualify through usual financial channels.
- <u>211 Los Angeles County</u>: 211 LA is the central source for providing information and referrals for all health and human services in LA County. Their 2-1-1 phone line is open 24 hours, 7 days a week, with trained Community Resource Advisers prepared to offer help with any situation, any time.
- <u>Long Beach Disaster Relief Fund</u>: The Long Beach Coronavirus Relief Fund will support community-based
  organizations at the frontlines of the coronavirus response in the Long Beach area. Grants will be made to
  support approved 501(C)3 nonprofit, educational, and governmental organizations working on these
  efforts.