



# Apply for emergency rental and utility assistance

[NebraskaRentHelp.org](https://NebraskaRentHelp.org)

## The State of Nebraska has activated a second round of the Nebraska Emergency Rental Assistance program

Assistance is available for income-qualified renters who experienced financial hardship during the pandemic. Qualified renters may receive assistance for past-due and future rent payments and past-due, renter-paid utility and internet payments. Applicable payments will be made to landlords, utility providers and/or internet providers.

**Funds will be distributed until they run out, and they do not need to be paid back.**

**View qualifications and apply today at [NebraskaRentHelp.org](https://NebraskaRentHelp.org).**

### Available assistance

- Past-due rent payments and up to three months of future payments
- Past-due, renter-paid utility and internet payments

### Assistance limits

- No applicant may receive more than 18 months of total combined assistance, including any assistance received under the first Nebraska Emergency Rental Assistance program.
- Households may receive no more than \$30,000 in assistance. No more than \$4,000 of assistance can be applied toward past-due utilities and internet. Internet expenses will be capped at \$100 per month.

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The Nebraska ERA program is authorized by Title III, Subtitle B, Section 3201 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), 2021, Pub. L. No. 117-2.

### Eligibility

Renter households must meet all eligibility requirements to be considered.

- ✓ Be renting a residential property with a valid lease in Nebraska, outside of Douglas and Lancaster counties\*
- ✓ Have a current household income that is at or below 80% of the area median income
- ✓ Experienced a loss of income or other financial hardship during the COVID-19 pandemic (*examples include increased rent or utilities, increased childcare costs or medical expenses, job loss or reduced hours*)
- ✓ Be at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability
- ✓ Be a legal resident of the United States

### Required documents

- ✓ Signed copy of the current lease or rental agreement that covers all months for requested assistance
- ✓ Identification (*drivers license or other government-issued photo identification*)
- ✓ Documentation of income for all household members
- ✓ Proof of occupancy (*such as a utility or other bill*)
- ✓ If requesting utility or internet assistance: bill documentation showing the name of the service provider, account number and address of the customer

**For questions or to complete an over-the-phone application, call 1-844-429-6575 between 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. CT, Monday through Friday. If you receive a return call, you may see "NE Rent Help" on your caller ID.**

\*Excluding Douglas and Lancaster counties, which have a different application process. Learn more at [NebraskaRentHelp.org](https://NebraskaRentHelp.org).