

GENERAL INFORMATION

More information about public assistance and the state's response to COVID-19 can be found at https://www.nc.gov/covid19. Visit the public assistance page directly at https://www.ncdps.gov/ourorganization/emergencymanagement/disasterrecovery/public-assistance-covid-19.

NATIONAL SUICIDE HOTLINE

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a 24/7, toll-free hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. Call 800-273-8255 for support or go to https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/ chat/.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HOTLINE

The National Domestic Violence Hotline can be reached at 800-799-7233. You can chat online with an advocate at www.thehotline.org or text LOVEIS to 22522.

FARMER CRISIS HOTLINE

Farmers who are facing challenges during the pandemic can contact Farm Aid at 800-FARM-AID. More resources can be found at the National Farmers Union's Farm Crisis Center at https://farmcrisis.nfu.org/.

COVID-19 COMMUNITY RESOURCES North Carolina

UNEMPLOYMENT

Federal legislation has made unemployment benefits available to workers who may not have qualified before. To learn more and to apply, visit https://des.nc.gov/apply-unemployment. Applicants will need an online account.

SNAP

For more information on Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits in North Carolina, visit https://www.ncdhhs.gov/ assistance/low-income-services/food-nutrition-services-food-stamps.

Applications are submitted through the North Carolina ePass portal. Access the portal at https://epass.nc.gov/CitizenPortal/application.do. Applications can also be submitted by mail.

UTILITIES ASSISTANCE

For information on the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) in North Carolina, visit https://www.ncdhhs.gov/assistance/ low-income-services/low-income-energy-assistance. New applicants

may not be accepted between March and December. Visit the site to learn more.

RENT AND EVICTIONS

Federal law has placed a moratorium on evictions from certain properties, including those backed by federal mortgages through Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac. To learn more, visit

https://larsen.house.gov/uploadedfiles/covid toolkit 3.30.20.pdf.

This, however, does not apply to most private residences. For rental assistance and housing help, visit https://www.hud.gov/states/north_carolina.

NUTRITION FOR WOMEN, INFANTS AND CHILDREN

Information about WIC, including how to apply, can be found at https://www.nutritionnc.com/wic/. Federal law has waived the requirement for applicants to appear in person. Check with your local office to verify the application process. Applicants can also call the local health department to get contact information for the nearest WIC office.

Information about child care assistance can be found at https://www.ncdhhs.gov/assistance/childrens-services/child-caresubsidy.





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