



COVID EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE



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The Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) will administer the COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) Program through its network of local nonprofit agencies starting March 15, 2021. CERA can provide rental and utility assistance for eligible renter households so that they retain their housing stability. Please read on below for program details.

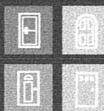
WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

CERA can serve renter households that have incomes less than 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) who meet the following conditions:

- Individual(s) in the household has qualified for unemployment benefits or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or has experienced other financial hardship due directly or indirectly to the coronavirus outbreak; and
- Individual(s) in the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability evidenced by a past due utility or rent notice.

HOW DO I APPLY?

- Visit Michigan.gov/CERA, which has a direct link to the application site.
- The online application site is the best way to apply for those with a smart phone, tablet, or computer.
- Tenants and landlords can also apply through their local service agency.
- For a list of service agencies in your county, look for the CERA Contact List at Michigan.gov/CERA.



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