

Struggling to pay your rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic?

The Virginia Rent Relief Program may be able to help

Virginia is administering relief for renters experiencing a negative financial impact due to the COVID-19 pandemic through the Virginia Rent Relief Program (RRP). Through this state program, you can apply (or your landlord may apply on your behalf) to receive funds to pay delinquent rent arrear payments back to April 1, 2020, and up to three months of payments into the future to maintain housing stability. The total payments may not exceed a total of 15 months of rental assistance per household.



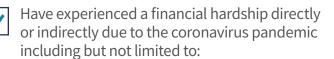
Eligibility

The Virginia RRP will provide financial help on behalf of renters who meet the following criteria:









- Being laid off
- Place of employment has closed
- Reduction in hours of work
- Loss of spousal/child support
- Inability to find work due to COVID-19
- Having to stay home with children due to distance learning / closure of day care or school
- Increase in expenses due to COVID-19, such as child care, medical bills, etc.
- Unwilling or unable to participate in previous employment due to the workplace's high risk of severe illness from COVID-19



Required documents

You'll need the following as proof of eligibility:

Proof of income (for example: pay stubs, bank statements, letter from employer, Social Security documents, pension)

Valid lease or other documentation of landlordtenant relationship

✓ Rent ledger (landlord provides)

Completed application and agreements

✓ Virginia W-9



Contact your landlord today to apply on your behalf. This is the quickest way to access rent relief.

Or apply for yourself. Get started on DHCD's website: **dhcd.virginia.gov/eligibility**



The Virginia Rent Relief Program is administered through the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development. Virginia Housing is the grantee for landlord-initiated applicants. For more information, visit dhcd.virginia.gov/rrp.