



The Hopi Tribe COVID-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program

The purpose of the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Program is to assist eligible Tribal families that need assistance for payment of rent and utilities and arrearages who have disproportionately suffered from the impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic. Utilities include electricity, gas, trash, water and sewer. Eligible households who are at or below the 80% of the Area Median Income who face potential eviction or housing instability are eligible. An eligible household that does not have any arrear payments may still participate in the ERA Program. **Telecommunication services (telephone, cable, Internet) delivered to the rental dwelling are not considered to be utilities.** Other items such as child care payments, vehicle payments, insurance payments and other personal costs are unallowable. This program is limited to one tribal member per household.

Eligibility Qualifications: One (1) or more individuals within the house has:

- Qualified for unemployment benefits
- Experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other type of financial hardship
- Experiencing homelessness or housing instability
- Household income at or below 80 percent of the area median

An enrolled member of the Hopi Tribe may fill out an application online at: <https://portal.hopi-nsn.gov> Physical applications may be downloaded at: [Hopi Emergency Rental Assistance Program - The Hopi Tribe \(hopi-nsn.gov\)](https://portal.hopi-nsn.gov) or picked up at the Hopi Tribe Administration Building. Applications with required documents may be submitted via:

Mail: The Hopi Tribe Office of Executive Director
Emergency Rental Assistance Program
P.O. Box 123
Kykotsmovi, Arizona 86039

or Drop off: Black box located in Hopi Tribe
Admin building entrance lobby
Phone: 928-734-3394, 3395 or 3396

Email: MemberSupport@hopi.nsn.us

Required document(s):

- Letter explaining hardship on Covid-19 Pandemic
- Identification card (Driver's License, State ID, Tribal ID)
- Current Lease Agreement/Eviction Notice
- Current and/or past due Utility bills – electric, gas, trash, water and sewer. Must submit all pages of the invoice.
- FY 2021 Income Tax/W-2 Statement, last 3 months check stubs, and any public assistance (Social Security, SSI, Child Support, Unemployment Benefits, Pension or Annuities, self-employment form, etc.)

Any approved payment(s) will be paid directly to the Landlord and/or Utility Company.

Duplication of Assistance: Applicants applying for assistance may receive funding provided the ERA Program funds are not applied to costs that have been or will be reimbursed under other assistance.

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