The Indiana COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program is designed to decrease evictions and increase housing stability by helping renters whose income has been adversely affected by COVID-19.

The program can provide eligible renters with up to $2,000 in assistance to help cover past due and ongoing monthly rent payments or late fees.

To receive assistance, a renter’s landlord must agree to participate in the program. The assistance payments will be provided to the landlord directly and not to the renter that applied.

To participate in the program, you will need to:

- Work with a partner agency and your tenant to complete a payment plan and a lease addendum.
- During term of lease addendum, allow tenants 45 days from payment due date before filing for late-payment eviction proceedings.
- Complete a report in January 2021 to provide feedback on the program.

*The program cannot be used with other emergency pandemic-related rent assistance. Individuals that receive Section 8 or USDA Rural Development rental assistance or live in public housing, are not eligible for the Indiana COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program.

What should I do now?

**STEP 1** – Speak with residents that have fallen behind on their rent and attempt to work out a payment plan. Share with them the state’s Coronavirus Eviction & Foreclosure Prevention Guide which includes a variety of resources.

**STEP 2** – Share with them our Renter flyer and encourage them to visit IndianaHousingNow.org and apply for the Indiana COVID-19 Rental Assistance Program beginning on July 13th at 9:00 am.