

# Covid-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program

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## Weber Housing Authority Covid-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program Guidelines

#### 1. Program Summary

The Weber Housing Authority Covid-19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program is designed to assist households in maintaining their current living situation and avoid eviction. The program is for participants that are in a temporary crisis that is beyond the control of the participant that has significantly affected their ability to pay their rent. Participants must be a victim of Covid-19. The participant must have exhausted all other resources and have no other way to alleviate the crisis but for the assistance of the program. Rental payment must be in arrears or due within 10 calendar days and the assistance must stop the eviction process. The payment will not exceed \$1,500 per household per month and will be paid directly to the landlord or property management agency. Funding will be offered as it is available and on a first come, first serve basis. The Weber Housing Authority can assist with up to three months' worth of rental assistance. The process of applying is outlined below.

#### 2. Homeless Prevention

It is intended that the funds will be used to assist households in avoiding homelessness as a result of Covid-19. The funding may only be used to prevent homelessness by avoiding eviction.

#### 3. Eligible Households

Verification must be provided that the household has lost income as a result of Covid-19. There must be reasonable proof that the family will be able to resume full monthly housing payments in the following months. The participant should provide proof that they are currently working or planning to work or that sufficient income will be able to support the household with future expenses.

Households that comprise of undocumented citizens do not qualify for assistance under this program.<sup>1</sup>

#### 4. Projected Household Income Requirements

Income documentation in the form of most recent pay-stubs and tax returns are required to apply for the Weber Housing Authority Emergency Rental Assistance Program. Every member of the household age 18 and older must submit income information regardless of their participation on the program. The annual household income (all members age 18 and older) cannot exceed 80% of the area median income. Weber Housing Authority Emergency Rental Assistance Program utilizes the HUD adjusted gross income definition for determining the projected household annual income. These yearly household income

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> "The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 imposed restrictions on eligibility for receipt of public benefits. Essentially, the law provides that illegal aliens are not to receive public benefits and specifies how the inquiry into a person's status is to be conducted."

HUD OneCPD Resource Exchange, https://www.onecpd.info/homelessness-assistance. 2014.

limits, based on household size, are listed below:

Emergency Rental Assi	istance Income Requirements (2020)
Household Size	Maximum Income
1	\$48,350
2	\$55,250
3	\$62,150
4	\$69,050
5	\$74,600
6	\$80,100
7	\$85,650
8	\$91,150

Assistance is offered on a first come, first serve basis.

#### 4. <u>Application Verifications</u>

- 1. Weber Housing Authority Emergency Rental Assistance Program Application
- 2. Social Security Cards for all household members
- 3. Income information (consecutive and most recent 60 days of pay stubs) AND letter from employer explaining your current employment situation (if applicable)
- 4. Tax information for 2019
- 5. Verification of loss of income as a result of Covid-19
- 5. Current lease
- 6. Current rent ledger

#### 5. Property Qualifications

Properties must be located within Weber County. The qualifying cities that may participate in the program are:

Farr West Riverdale Harrisville Roy

Hooper South Ogden
Marriott-Slaterville Washington Terrace

North Ogden West Haven Plain City Ogden City

Pleasant View

#### **Process Guidelines**

- 1. A <u>fully completed</u> application will be sent to Weber Housing Authority will all required documentation. The application (with all required documentation) may be dropped off, faxed, emailed or mailed to Weber Housing Authority staff. Please do not submit an incomplete application.
- 2. Participants will be contacted once a completed application is submitted.
- 3. The landlord will be contacted once the application is approved. Weber Housing

Authority staff will explain to the landlord that a rental payment will be made on behalf of the tenant. The date the landlord can expect to receive a check will also be detailed.

Once all required documentation has been submitted with the completed application, there is NO GUARANTEE that funds will still be available or that you will qualify for the assistance. The following guidelines will help determine if you qualify for funding assistance:

- ☐ You must show that your crisis is directly related to Covid-19; you have contracted Covid-19 and lost employment or lost your employment as a result of the pandemic.
- Payment is in arrears or due within 10 calendar days. The Weber Housing Authority can provide assistance for up to 3 months of rental assistance totaling \$1,500 per household.

The undersigned hereby releases Weber Housing Authority, its agents and employees from all liability or obligation arising from or in connection with services or goods received from Weber Housing Authority. I understand that Weber Housing Authority reserves the right to consult with other community agencies and the landlord regarding my case. This includes the right to release or receive names and addresses. Some of the information on this application will be used to obtain statistical reports to be submitted to grantors and/or for program outreach purposes.

In the event that your application is not approved for any reason, there is a grievance process in place, which can be utilized by requesting the program manager to review your application and the reasons for denial. If there is still dissatisfaction, the decision may be heard by the Executive Director of the Weber Housing Authority. If the decision is still unsatisfactory, you may submit a written description of the grievance decision to the Weber Housing Authority Board of Directors at 237 26th Street, #E220, Ogden Utah 84401.

Signature of Applicant	Date

## Checklist of Information

Applicant must provide the following required documents/information before application will be accepted (No exceptions will be made).

Docum	entation:
	Social Security Cards for all household members
	Income information (consecutive and most recent 60 days of pay stubs) AND letter from employer explaining your current employment situation (if applicable)
	Tax information for 2019
	Verification of loss of income as a result of Covid-19
	Current lease
	Current rent ledger
Rental	Assistance Packet:
	Completed Emergency Rental Assistance Packet
	Landlord signature on last page of Packet (please ask about this before having your
	landlord sign)

-All documentation must be complete before turning in the application-

#### **AUTHORIZATION FOR THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION**

#### Organization requesting release of information:

Weber Housing Authority 237 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite #E220 Ogden, Utah 84401

#### Purpose:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the above named organization may use the authorization and the information obtained with it, to administer and enforce program rules and policies.

#### Authorization:

I authorize the release of any information (including documentation and other materials) pertinent to eligibility for participation for the following program:

**Emergency Rental Assistance** 

I authorize the above named organization to obtain information on wages or unemployment compensation from State Employment Securities Agencies. I understand any Criminal History Record or police incident report(s) can be released to any adult regarding individuals receiving Housing Assistance who may be directly affected. I hereby release the Weber Housing Authority from any liability that may result from the receipt or use of any Criminal History Record or police incident report(s).

#### Information Covered Inquiries may be made about:

Family Composition Residences and Rental History

Employment, Income, Pension and Assets Social Security number and information

Federal, State, Tribal or Local Benefits Identity and Marital Status

#### Individuals or Organization That May Release Information:

Any individual or organization including any governmental organization may be asked to release information. For example,

information may be requested from:

Banks and other Financial Institutions Landlords Employers (Past and Present)

Law Enforcement Agencies

Providers of:

Alimony or Child Care Schools and Colleges

Child Support or Credit issuing agencies

U.S. Social Security Administration

Handicapped Assistance

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Medical Care Utility Companies
Pensions/Annuities Welfare Agencies

**Local Supportive Services** 

Conditions:

I agree that photocopies of this information may be used for the purposes stated above. If I do not sign this authorization, I also understand that my application may be denied or terminated.

Head of Household (Print)	Signature	Date
Other Adult (Print)	Signature	Date

## Weber Housing Authority Applicant Statement

Please state the reasons you are experiencing a housing crisis	and how this DIRECTLY relates to Covid-
19:	
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Are you currently receiving Unemployment Benefits? Please	explain why/why not:
Landlord Contact Information:	
Name:	
Address:	
Phone Number:	
Email Address:	
Applicant Signature	Date
Weber Housing Authority Representative	Date
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### Weber Housing Authority Rental Assistance Application

	Last Name	First Name	Relationship (Spouse, daughter, etc.)	Sex	Disabling Condition (Y/N)	Race	Ethnicity (Hispanic/Non- Hispanic)
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Residency: Current Address

	Address	City	State	Zip	Landlord's Name	Phone Number
Current						

Landlord's Address:

All income must be reported. For each family member on page 1, list any income received by or in behalf of that family member:

Mem#	Type of Income:  (Wages, SSI, SSA, Alimony/Child Support, Interest, Dividends, Retirement, Self Employment Income, Tips, Commissions, Welfare, etc.)	Amount of Income from this source:	Frequency: (Daily, weekly, monthly, annually, etc.)	Office use only:
		Total Estima	ted Annual Income:	

Dear	Land	lord:
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The Weber Housing Authority will not approve emergency rental assistance if the owner of the proposed dwelling is related in any way to the client. This includes but is not limited to: the spouse, the parent, step-parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, sister, or brother of the applicant currently applying for rental or deposit assistance. The property owner or manager may not reside in the specific unit under consideration.

Are you related	to the client who is applying to rent your unit?	
Yes	No	
Do you live in	the unit with our client?	
Yes	No	
	form, you are acknowledging you have read and ing you have honestly answered the above question	
Landlord/Prope	erty Manager's Signature	Date signed
Address, City,	State and Zip	
Phone Number		

### Weber Housing Authority 237 26<sup>th</sup> Street, #E220, Ogden, Utah 84401

This form must be completed in its entirety by the Local Recipient Organization (LRO) providing service, as all information is required, for each rent/mortgage payment made with Emergency Food and Shelter Program funds. Failure to provide complete, required information will result in a compliance exception.

Client Information:		Date (month/day/year):	
Client Name:			
Client Address:			
	(4	(complete street address)	
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Type of Assistance:	Rent (check one)	Mortgage (check one)	
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Important: Payment will guarantee residency for an additional 30 days!

Form W-9

(Rev. December 2011)
Department of the Treasury
Internal revenue Service

# Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

Give form to the requester. Do not send to the IRS

8	Name(as shown on your income tax return)								
Print or type See Specific Instructions on page?	Business name, if different from above								
	Individual/Sole proprietor C Corporation S Corporation Partnership Trust/estate								
	Limited liability company. Enter the tax classification (C=C corporation, S=S corporation, P=partnership)						Exempt payee		
	Other (see instructions)								
See	Address (number, street, and apt. or suite no.)	Requester's name and address (option			address (	optional)			
	City, state, and ZIP code								
	List account number(s) here (optional)								
Par	Taxpayer Identification Number (TIN)								
Enter	your TIN in the appropriate box. The TIN provided must match the name given on Line 1 to backup withholding. For individuals, this is your social security number (SSN). However, for		Social Security Number						
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(IRA), and generally, payments other than interest and dividends, you are not required to sign the Certification, but you must provide your correct

Sign Signature of

Here U.S. person

#### **General Instructions**

Section references are to the Internal Revenue Code unless otherwise noted.

#### **Purpose of Form**

A person who is required to file an information return with the IRS must obtain your correct taxpayer identification number (TIN) to report, for example, income paid to you, real estate transactions, mortgage interest you paid, acquisition or abandonment of secured property, cancellation of debt, or contributions you made to an IRA

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- Certify that the TIN you are giving is correct (or you are waiting for a number to be issued)
- 2. Certify that you are not subject to backup withholding, or
- Claim exemption from backup withholding if you are a U.S. exempt payee. If applicable, you are also certifying that as a U.S. person, your allocable share of any partnership income from a

U.S. trade or business is not subject to the withholding tax on

Note. If a requester gives you a form other than Form W-9 to request your TIN, you must use the requester's form if it is substantially similar to this Form W-9.

**Definition of a U.S. person.** For federal tax purposes, you are considered a U.S. person if you are:

- · An individual who is a U.S. citizen or U.S. resident alien,
- A partnership, corporation, company, or association created or organized in the United States or under the laws of the United States,
- An estate (other than a foreign estate), or
- A domestic trust (as defined in Regulations section 301.7701-7)
  Special rules for partnerships. Partnerships that conduct a trade or business in the United States are generally required to pay a withholding tax on any foreign partners' share of income from such business.
  Further, in certain cases where a Form W-9 has not been received, a partnership is required to presume that a partner is a foreign person, and pay the withholding tax. Therefore, if you are a U.S. person that is a partner in a partnership conducting a trade or business in the United States, provide Form W-9 to the partnership to establish your U.S. status and avoid withholding on your share of partnership income

#### **HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION**

Please read this statement before completing the box below:

The following information is requested by the Federal Government for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded programs in order to monitor the Weber Housing Authority's compliance with equal opportunity and housing laws. You are not required to furnish this information, but are encouraged to do so. The law provides that the Weber Housing Authority may neither discriminate on the basis of this information, nor on whether you choose to furnish it or not. However, if you choose not to furnish it, under federal regulations the Weber Housing Authority is required to note race and sex on the basis of visual observation or surname. If you do not wish to furnish the information below, please check the box below:

Applica	_	Co-Applicant						
I do not	t wish to provide the information requested	I do not wish to provide the information requested						
Race/National Origin – please check all that apply			Race/National Origin – please check all that apply					
	American Indian or Alaska Native	0	American Indian or Alaska Native					
	Asian		Asian					
	Black or African American		Black or African American					
	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander					
	White		White					
	American Indian or Alaskan Native and White		American Indian and Alaskan Native and White					
	Asian and White		Asian and White					
	Black or African American and White		Black or African American and White					
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	Hispanic		Hispanic					
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Gender			Gender					
	Male		Male					
	Female		Female					
Marital Status			Marital Status					
	Married		Married					
	Separated		Separated					
	Unmarried (i.e. single, divorced, widowed, etc.)		Unmarried (i.e. single, divorced, widowed, etc.)					
Disabli	ng Condition for you or anyone in the	Disabling Condition for you or anyone in the						
househ	old?	househ	old?					
	Yes		Yes					
	No		No					
_								
Age		Age						
	Under 62		Under 62					
	Over 62		Over 62					
Single Head of Household								
	Yes							
	No							