

## Texas Rent Relief Program Update 07-07-2023: The Texas Rent Relief Program Ends

After distributing more than \$2 billion in temporary federal rent and utility assistance to more than 320,000 Texas households impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Texas Rent Relief program has now ended. The program has obligated all assistance and will make final payments to approved households over the next few weeks.

The Texas Rent Relief team wishes to thank our many partners and TRR program applicants for their collaboration and feedback throughout the life of the program. For a summary of TRR's impact, visit the TRR [Program Highlights](https://texasrentrelief.com/program-highlights/) webpage: <https://texasrentrelief.com/program-highlights/>

Please note the following as part of the program ending process:

- Approved applicants must deposit/cash their assistance immediately. Otherwise, the check will automatically void after the time period shown on the check. When voided, TRR will not reissue uncashed funds for any reason, and any applicant with an uncashed check will forfeit their assistance.
- The TRR call center is now reducing its operations, and will only respond to requests for help related to approved payments. The call center will no longer respond to questions related to eligibility or unfunded applications.

Applicants still in need of rent or utility assistance are encouraged to review the following options:

- Visit [Help for Texans](#) for a list of emergency rental assistance, utility bill payment help, and services for persons experiencing homelessness.
- Call 2-1-1 or visit [2-1-1 Texas](#) to learn about organizations helping with emergency rent and utility assistance.
- Visit [Texas Utility Help](#) to see if you qualify for energy, water and/or wastewater payments.
- If you are facing eviction, we encourage you to seek legal assistance, go to your eviction hearing and stay in communication with your landlord and the court. Visit <https://texaslawhelp.org/eviction-referral> or call 855-270-7655 for help understanding your options and seeking free or low-cost legal assistance.
- Over 30 Texas cities and counties also received emergency rent and utility assistance funding from the Treasury through the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program. Use [this Consumer Financial Protection Bureau \(CFPB\) search tool](#) to see if these programs are still open and serving your area.

TDHCA is proud to have led Texas' first statewide rent relief and eviction diversion program. The success of the program could not have been possible without the ongoing support and input of every stakeholder. We thank everyone who helped improve and support this unprecedented pandemic rent relief effort.

Thank you,  
Texas Rent Relief