Dear Resident,

Please read important information below about how to apply for COVID 19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program Phase II. You can also contact our office should you need assistance applying. We are happy to help!

Apply Monday, March 22nd 9 am

COVID 19 Emergency Rental Assistance Program Phase II Applications accepted beginning Monday, March 22, 2021 at 9:00 am by applying online at <u>https://njdca.onlinepha.com</u>.

Application Process

To be considered for the program, applicants must first submit an application beginning on **Monday, March 22, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The State has indicated that the portal will be open 24 hours per day.** Applications will be accepted until enough have been received to distribute the funding amount. All applications will be entered into a randomized lottery. Applicants selected in the lottery will be notified by email.

Who is Eligible

In a nutshell, New Jersey households who:

- Qualify for unemployment or have faced a significant reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19;
- Demonstrate a risk of homelessness or housing instability; and
- Have a household income at or below 80% of area median income (AMI) based upon household size.

What this Assistance will Provide

CVERAP-II will assist with a maximum of 12 months for past-due, unpaid rent, dating back to March 13, 2020. However, if needed and should funds remain, an additional three months to assist with future rent payments may be available. Past-due, unpaid rent will be paid first, with the remainder available for future rent through December 2021.

Payments will be made directly to the property owner and an award letter will be mailed to both the tenant and their landlord indicating payment.

Applying for Other Rental Assistance

Applicants can apply for other rental assistance, but if awarded, CVERAP-II assistance will cease if the applicant is awarded rental assistance from another source. Households who receive a subsidy from other rental assistance programs such as Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) or Public Housing will not be eligible to receive CVERAP assistance if the assistance results in duplicative benefits for the same months of assistance.

Additional Information

For more information on the CVERAP-II, please visit: https://njdca.onlinepha.com/

CVERAP-II Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs): <u>https://njdca.onlinepha.com/en-US/Pages/View/145/Frequently%20Asked%20Questions</u>

For additional questions, please contact: 609-490-4550

Please also see attached Frequently Asked Questions and don't forget you can contact our office for assistance.

Thank you,

Management Office