



Pennsylvania Benefits and Resources for Homelessness and Housing Stability

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Emergency Rental Assistance Program

- The [Emergency Rental Assistance Program \(ERAP\)](#) was created to help renters dealing with financial challenges related to the COVID-19 pandemic. For eligible households, the program offers rental and utility assistance to help Pennsylvanians avoid eviction or loss of utility service.
- Visit the [ERAP Program dashboard](#) for analysis of applications, households served, expenditures and allocations. DHS is working with our county and technical assistance partners on off-ramping and mapping out potential funding options for sustaining rental assistance and connecting to supportive services.
- We are seeking your feedback on post-ERAP housing and services needs. Please complete our [survey](#) which takes 5-10 minutes.

PA Property Tax and Rent Rebate Program

- Benefits eligible Pennsylvanians age 65 and older; widows and widowers age 50 and older; and people with disabilities age 18 and older.
- Income limit is \$15,000 annually for renters, and half of Social Security income is excluded in calculations
- The maximum standard rebate for renter household is \$650, and Pennsylvanians approved this year will also receive supplemental one-time bonus rebate for an additional 70% of original rebate amount.
- ***This could result in up to \$1105 back in the pockets of folks that you serve.***
- **Application deadline:** December 31, 2022
- [Property Tax/Rent Rebate Program](#)