



Kansas Eviction Prevention Program

## STRUGGLING TO COLLECT RENT DUE TO COVID?

The Kansas Eviction Prevention Program (KEPP) may be able to help.

The Kansas Eviction Prevention Program, funded through the CARES Act, authorized by Governor Kelly's SPARK Task Force, and administered by Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC), provides rental assistance to landlords whose tenants have missed one or more rental payment(s) due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **HOW IT WORKS**

- + Landlords and tenants apply via a joint online process.
- + If the application is approved, the landlord receives rental assistance funds directly from KEPP.
- Landlord accepts KEPP funds as rental payment and waives late fee(s) for the month(s) assistance is awarded.
- Approved tenants are eligible for a maximum of nine months of assistance, not to exceed \$5,000 per household.

# **Unlocking Home**

#### YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR THIS PROGRAM IF YOU AND YOUR TENANT(S) MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

+ Tenant(s) have missed at least one rental payment since

April 1, 2020.

- + Tenant and all of their household member(s), if applicable, are Kansas resident(s) legally authorized to be in the United States.
- + Tenant is seeking rental assistance for their primary residence.
- Neither you nor your tenant have received rental assistance from other sources for the month(s) for which you are requesting assistance.
- + Tenant(s) can demonstrate that the COVID pandemic has had an adverse impact on their employment or income beginning January 20, 2020 or later. Adverse effects may include layoff due to mandated shutdowns and/or business closure, job loss, reduction of hours, or inability to work due to COVID-related illness or lack of childcare.
- + Tenant's household income is at or below 85 percent of the state median income, or \$63,920 for a household of four.

#### IF TENANT QUALIFIES FOR TANF, SNAP, OR LIEAP ASSISTANCE, THEY AUTOMATICALLY MEET THE PROGRAM'S INCOME REQUIREMENTS.



### **HOW TO APPLY:**

- Complete online Landlord Certification.
- 2 Receive confirmation e-mail from KHRC.
- **3** Gather required supporting documents from tenant.
- 4 Enter tenant information and upload COVID documentation using the link provided in KHRC's confirmation e-mail.
- **5** Upload tenant certification or provide link for tenant to complete certification online.
- 6 Landlord and tenant both receive an e-mail when tenant completes the application.
- 7 Landlord and tenant both receive an e-mail notifying them if application is approved or denied.
- 8 If approved, landlord receives ACH funds directly from KHRC, applies funds to the appropriate tenant account(s), and waives late fee(s) for month(s) for which assistance was received.

Program funds are limited and only available for a short time. Applications will be processed in the order received. Submit your application as soon as possible to increase your likelihood of receiving assistance.

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