

MFA's COVID-19 Housing Cost Assistance Program helps pay the housing costs of incomeeligible New Mexico households and residents of tribal lands who are experiencing financial hardship due to the COVID-19 health crisis. Recipients will receive as much as \$1,500 per month for up to three months for rental, mortgage, real estate contract, or mobile/manufactured home payments.

Applications for the COVID-19 Housing Cost Assistance Program will be accepted beginningThursday, March 4. Applications will be received until further notice. Households that have already received housing cost assistance from another program are not eligible for additional funding for the same time period.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA:

- A current annual gross household income of 80 percent or less of the area median income adjusted for family size OR residence on tribal lands. A list of income limits by county and family size is here.
- Have residency in New Mexico.
- Proof of the amount of housing payments due and attestation that other assistance has not been received for the same payments.
- Must have made all housing payments through February 28, 2020.
- Certify that there has been a COVID-related financial hardship.
- Have not previously received funding from the COVID-19 Housing Cost Assistance Program.

Details of all qualifying criteria can be found on MFA's website: <u>housingnm.org</u>. Applicants may call 505.308.4206 or toll free at 866.488.0498 for more information.

An online application for the COVID-19 Housing Cost Assistance Program can be found on MFA's website: housingnm.org. Paper applications may be requested by calling 505.308.4206 or toll free 866.488.0498. MFA will make payments directly to landlords, servicers, escrow companies or otherhousing providers.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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