Emergency Rental and Utilities Assistance
New Emergency Rental Assistance Center

The City has opened an Emergency Rental Assistance Center inside the offices of the Housing and Community Development Department, 4400 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd (formerly Blue Parkway). Volunteers and staff will assist those in need with the application process.

The Center is open by appointment only. Call (816) 513-4501 to schedule an appointment. COVID-19 restrictions apply (please wear a mask).

Hours are Mondays and Wednesdays 9 a.m.- noon and 1-4 p.m. and Thursdays 1-6 p.m. Please bring:

- Identification (driver's license, birth certificate, etc.)
- Proof of Residency
- Proof of Income (pay stub, W-2 forms, 2020 tax return)
- Documentation of Need

For Rental and Utilities Assistance (may provide other services too)

The City of KCMO has funding for emergency rental and utilities assistance which is being distributed through existing community agencies.

Fill out this form for immediate assistance.

CHES, Inc. (816) 533-7417

Community Line (816) 531-3727

Community Assistance Council (CAC)
(816) 763-3277 ext. 108

Greater Kansas City Housing Information Center
(816) 931-0443

Guadalupe Center
(816) 421-1015

Hope Faith (816) 540-6915

Journey to New Life
(816) 960-4808

Metro Lutheran Ministries
(816) 285-3137 (North) | (816) 285-3139 (South)

https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/neighborhoods-housing-services/rentaid
MLM online application

Reconciliation Services (816) 931-4751

Save, Inc.
(816) 531-8340

Other Assistance (eg. Deposits, Utilities, Legal Services)

City of Kansas City Missouri Tenant Rights/Evictions/Fair Housing Section (information regarding rent/utility assistance and legal services for evictions)
(816) 513-3026 or Contact Tiffany Drummer

Heartland Center for Jobs & Freedom (legal services for evictions)
(816) 278-1092

Legal Aid of Western Missouri (legal services for evictions)
(816) 474-6750

Mattie Rhodes Center (homeless prevention)(816) 471-2536

Mid America Assistance Coalition (utility assistance only) (816) 474-5112

reStart Inc. (homeless prevention, rapid rehousing)
(816) 472-5664 email

Spire (rent and utility assistance) Apply here

NOTE: Residents of the CCED Sales Tax District (from Ninth St. to Gregory Blvd. north-south/Indiana to The Paseo east-west) may apply for up to $3,000 to cover rent, mortgage, utilities, groceries, transportation or quarantine-related hotel expenses through CCED's Essential Services Fund. Find out more.

Eligibility Requirements

Funding is provided by the Congressional COVID-19 relief package.

Those seeking assistance must meet the following income and eligibility requirements:

An "eligible household" is defined as a renter household where one or more individuals:

- has qualified for unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income or has incurred significant costs or experienced financial hardship directly or indirectly related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
- can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability including:
  - a past due utility
  - rent or eviction notice
  - unsafe or unhealthy living conditions

https://www.kcmo.gov/city-hall/departments/neighborhoods-housing-services/renthelp
• any other evidence of such risk
  • has a household income at or below **80 percent of the area median income (AMI)**

Eligible applicants must also demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability (past due rent, eviction notices), if any, as part of the application process.

Eligible households may receive up to 12 months assistance, plus three additional if:
  • the extra months are needed to insure housing stability
  • funds are still available

**Income eligibility must be reassessed every three months.**

**Emergency assistance funding can be used for:**
  • Current and past due rent
  • Current and past due utility bills
  • Trash removal

**Emergency assistance funding CANNOT be used for:**
  • Telephone
  • Cable
  • Internet

The City of Kansas City, Mo. also received $14.8 million for emergency rental assistance. We are currently working with our partner organizations to distribute relief funds to landlords and tenants.