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Proven Strategies to Help Renters Avoid Eviction



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Resolving Disputes - Resources

NOLO Resources

https://tinyurl.com/NOLOMediation

Legal Aid

https://www.lsc.gov/





Resolving Disputes - Resources

- Web Search...
 - → Landlord Tenant Mediation Services (city)
- Obtain list from your (local) Superior Court (where formal meditation hearings are held)
- Mediate.com look-up tool

https://tinyurl.com/MediationDirectory

• Dial # 211 \rightarrow in some jurisdictions





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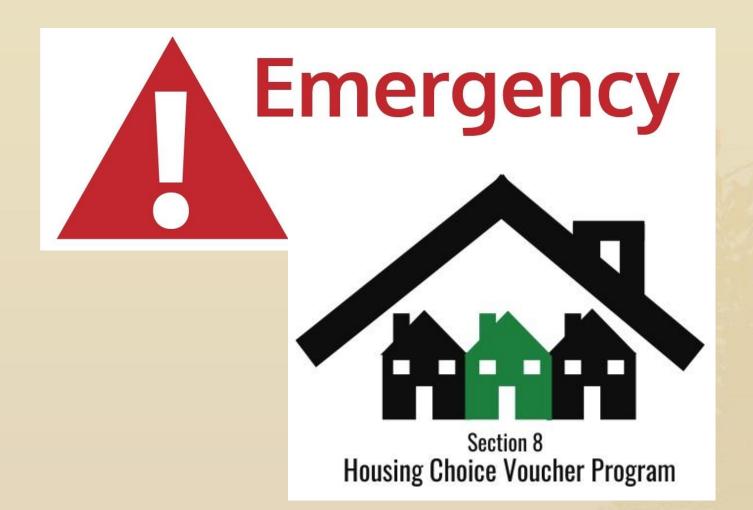


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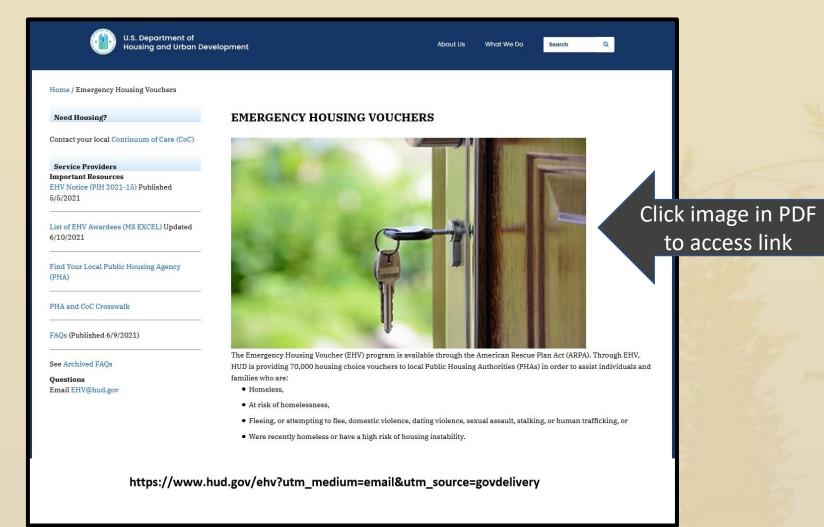


The legislation provides Public Housing Agencies as much as \$5 billion for emergency housing vouchers for

- a) individuals and families who are experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness.
- b) providing rental assistance and supportive services
- c) developing affordable rental housing
- d) helping acquire non-congregate shelter to be converted into permanent affordable housing or to be used as emergency shelter













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OFFICE OF PUBLIC AND INDIAN HOUSING

Special Attention of:

Directors of HUD Regional and Field Offices of Public Housing; Agencies that Administer the Housing Choice Voucher Program

Notice PIH 2021-15 (HA)

Issued: May 5, 2021

Expires: This notice remains in effect until amended, superseded, or rescinded.

SUBJECT: Emergency Housing Vouchers - Operating Requirements

1. Purpose

This notice describes the process HUD is using to allocate approximately 70,000 emergency housing vouchers (EHVs) to public housing agencies (PHAs).

These EHVs are to assist individuals and families¹ who are experiencing homelessness; at risk of experiencing homelessness; fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking; or were recently homeless and for whom providing rental assistance will prevent the family's homelessness or having high risk of housing instability.

This notice also sets forth the operating requirements for the EHVs, including the

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https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/PIH/documents/PIH2021-15.pdf

2. Background

On March 11, 2021, President Biden signed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (P.L. 117-2, hereafter referred to in this notice as "the ARP") into law, which provides over \$1.9





¹ While the ARP and the definitions of the qualifying categories specifically refer to "individuals and families," under the HCV program regulations at 24 CFR 982.4, the term "family" is a person or a group of persons, as determined by the PHA consistent with 24 CFR 5.403, approved to reside in a unit with assistance under the program. The term "family" used in EHV/HCV context always includes a family that is comprised of a single individual as well as a group of persons.

HUD Announces \$5 Billion to Increase Affordable Housing to Address Homelessness

April 08, 2021





HUD Secretary Marcia L. Fudge announced the allocation of nearly \$5 billion in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to help communities across the country create affordable housing and services for people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. Secretary Fudge made the announcement during a Zoom call with U.S. Senator Sherrod Brown (OH), Michigan Governor Gretchen Whitmer, and Birmingham, Alabama Mayor Randall Woodfin.

The supplemental funding is allocated through the HOME Investment Partnerships Program to 651 grantees, including states, insular areas, and local governments. View the Full List of HOME-ARP Allocations.

The \$4.925 billion in HOME-ARP funding gives states the flexibility to best meet the needs of people experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness, including through development of affordable housing, Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), supportive services, and acquisition and development of non-congregate shelter units. Funds must be spent by 2030.

This funding is the first of two homelessness-related funding opportunities from the ARP that HUD will release. In the coming weeks, HUD will announce the allocation of funding for emergency vouchers.

While the nearly \$5 billion in funding will deliver near-term relief to people experiencing or at-risk of experiencing homelessness, President Biden's American Jobs Plan would build on this relief with additional robust funding to bring the United States closer to ending homelessness and housing instability.

View the HUD Press Release.

Tags: HOME HOME-ARP





\$100 Million Rural Housing Assistance

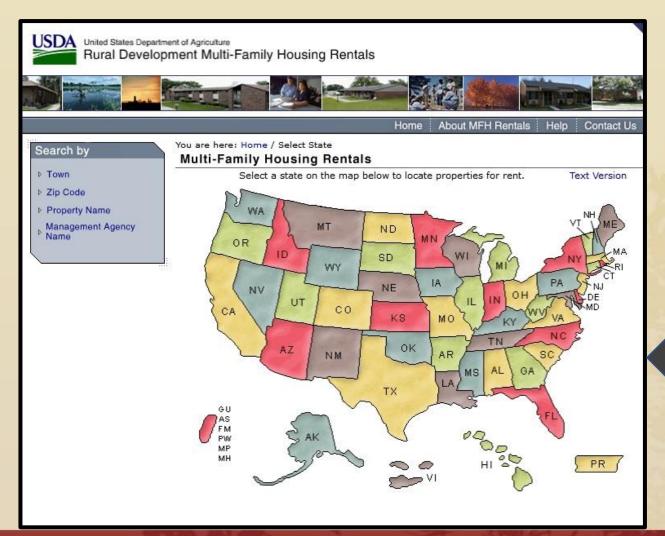
The bill provides \$100 million in rental assistance to assist low-income and elderly borrowers living in rural areas in USDA-financed properties

- Provides rental assistance to 30,000 low-income tenants in rural multifamily housing units thru Sept 30, 2022
- USDA has begun outreach to property owners and is in the process of facilitating the (tenant) income verifications and contract modifications needed to obligate and disburse funds





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\$750 Million Native Housing Assistance

The American Recovery Plan also provides \$750 million in grants to tribal nations through the

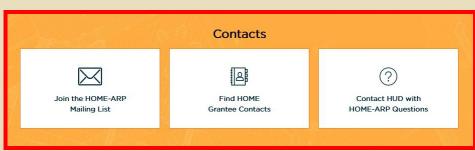
- ✓ Native American Housing Block Grants,
- ✓ Native Hawaiian Housing Block Grants, and
- ✓ Indian Community Development Block Grants

...programs

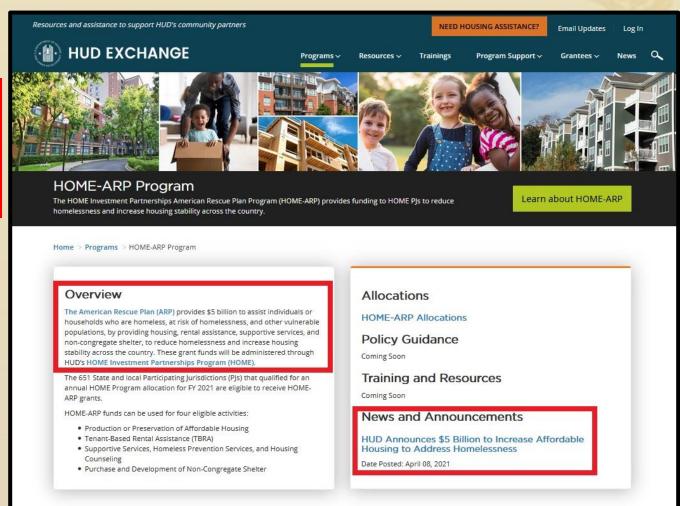
Reach out to your Native Intermediaries for more info





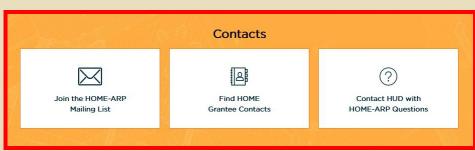


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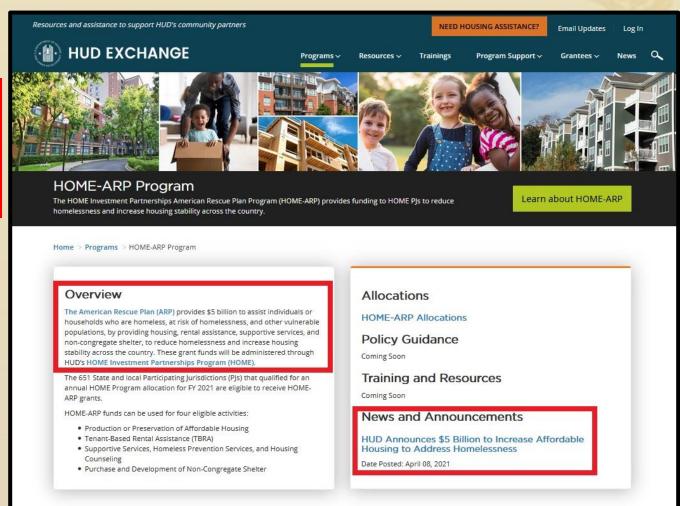








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The legislation provides \$5 billion for emergency housing vouchers addressing Homelessness thru Sept 30th, 2022

- a) Funds must be used to provide <u>new</u> vouchers or supplement <u>existing</u> vouchers
- b) Funds to be used by public housing agencies to deal with the significant increase in the per-unit voucher cost increases due to COVID-19
- c) Funds may be used to cover PHA administrative costs





- d) 70,000 Vouchers awarded to approximately 700 PHAs nationwide
- e) See PIH Notice 2021-15, Emergency Housing Vouchers Operating Requirements (May 5, 2021) for additional guidance





Funds are to be used to help Individuals or families who earning less than 30% of AMI and:

- ✓ Are exiting a public institution
- ✓ Has moved 2 times in the past 60 days
- ✓ Is doubled-up because of economic hardship
- ✓ Unaccompanied youth and children defined as homeless under another federal definition
- ✓ Families with Children and Youth defined as homeless under McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act





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Broad Eligibility Requirements





Funds may be used to help individuals and families already using Continuum of Care program funds (CoC) who:

- Are at imminent risk of homelessness
- Currently reside in congregate and non-congregate shelters but require additional assistance
- Are living in unsheltered situations outside of CoC programs

Broad Eligibility Requirements





VIEW APPLICATION



\$100 Million for Counseling Agency Reimbursement (time spent) through Feb 2023

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https://www.stablecommunities.org/HSCP

facing housing instability and ensure funds are released to housing counseling agencies throughout the nation as quickly as possible.









Housing Stability Counseling Program

A federally funded program designed and administered by Neighbor Works® America

May 26, 2021

https://www.stablecommunities.org/HSCP/Apply

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Look for the "Funding Announcement"





Funds are for Housing Counseling services, are defined as

"Housing counseling provided directly to households facing housing instability, such as eviction, default, foreclosure, loss of income, or homelessness."

Housing Counseling must be performed by a HUD-Certified Housing Counselor or "any Housing Counselor actively working towards their HUD counselor certification" (this definition needs clarity)





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Funds must <u>not be used</u> for Pre-Purchase or Post-Purchase Counseling. This would <u>exclude</u> helping clients deal with past-due amounts that have <u>not</u> reached the default or foreclosure stage → program details to be developed by NW

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Payment to "NW approved" Housing Counseling Agencies shall be paid based on three tiers of client-facing Housing Counseling services that includes:

- Intake, Preliminary assessment, Triage, Budget, General Action Plan outline/steps >> \$200
- Detailed assessment by Housing Counselor, Primary Counseling, Customized Action Plan, and one-on-one guidance/assistance >> \$550
- 3. Follow-up >> **\$50**

Total payment = \$800





Funding can be used for:

- Education, outreach, training, technology upgrades, and other program related support; and
- 2. Operational oversight funding for grantees and subgrantees.







HUD Resources



https://tinyurl.com/HUDCovidPDF

ADDRESSING TENANT CONCERNS DURING THE COVID-19 NATIONAL EMERGENCY

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued an order temporarily halting certain evictions (the CDC order) for certain renters, which has been extended through June 30, 2021. The CDC issued the temporary eviction halt to protect public health and prevent further spread of COVID-19. The order can be found at: https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/09/04/2020-19654/temporary-halt-in-residential-evictions-to-prevent-the-further-spread-of-covid-19.

Multifamily property owners and management agents are encouraged to inform residents of the eviction protections under the order and inform them of the required declaration form, where the CDC order applies. The declaration form can be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/downloads/evictiondeclare_d508.pdf





HUD Resources







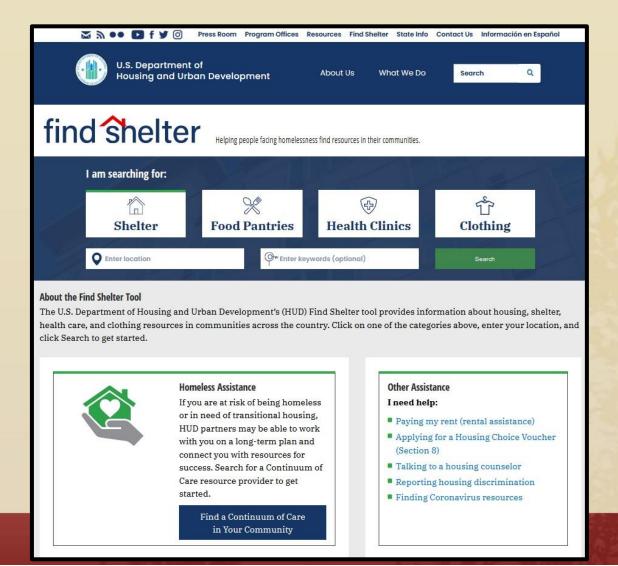
HUD Exchange Resources







HUD Homeless Resources







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COVID Resource page

Eviction Prevention Resources

✓ https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/housing-counseling/rental-eviction/?utm medium=email&utm source=govdelivery

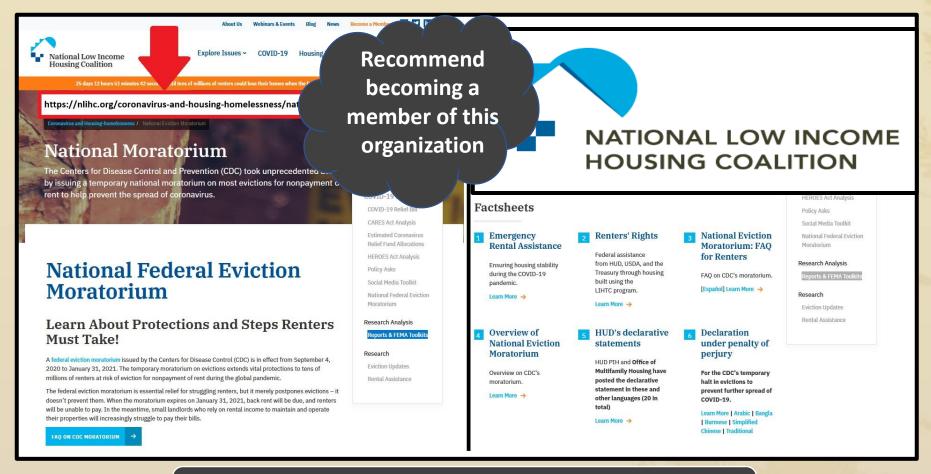
Rental Housing Resources

✓ https://www.hudexchange.info/news/rental-housing-counseling-webinar-series-readying-your-organization-for-the-coming-rental-housing-counseling-webinar-series-readying-your-organization-for-the-coming-rental-housing-counseling-webinar-series-readying-your-organization-for-the-coming-rental-housing-counseling-webinar-series-readying-your-organization-for-the-coming-rental-housing-counseling-webinar-series-readying-crisis/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery





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