

HAVE YOU  
RECENTLY  
LOST YOUR JOB?

HAS YOUR INCOME  
DROPPED?

ARE YOU BEHIND  
ON RENT?

DO YOU NEED  
HELP MOVING  
TO A NEW HOME?

WE CAN HELP!!

## TO APPLY

Go to Metro Housing's  
online application to  
begin the process  
[bit.ly/Rentrelief](https://bit.ly/Rentrelief)



METRO HOUSING|BOSTON  
Helps families and individuals  
address their housing needs  
across the continuum toward  
economic security.

For individuals and families at risk of being displaced or forced to leave their homes due to COVID-19 employment loss, there are programs that can help.

Residential Assistance for Families in Transition (RAFT), Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance (ERMA), and Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) are programs that can provide eligible households with back rent (arrears), future rent (stipends), and utility arrears to help people with low income stay housed or move into their next home. Citizenship or immigration status is not an issue for most of this funding.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

- Households of any size or composition, including individuals, families with children of all ages, couples without children, and unaccompanied youth
- The household income must be at or below 80 percent of area median income (AMI)

Federal immigration status has no impact on eligibility for most available funding.

## HOW CAN FUNDS BE USED?

Funds can be used to stay in current housing or move using funds the following ways:

- Rental arrearages or short-term rental stipend (up to 18 months)
- Mortgage arrearages (up to \$10,000)
- Security deposits
- First and last month's rent
- Utility arrearages

There are some restrictions on rental assistance for individuals or families residing in subsidized housing or who have a rental voucher.

Individual programs may have different requirements.

## WHAT IS THE INCOME LIMIT?

Household size	Annual income limit (80% AMI)
1	\$70,750
2	\$80,850
3	\$90,950
4	\$101,050
5	\$109,150
6	\$117,250

## HOW DO I APPLY?

If you think you might be eligible for RAFT, ERMA, or ERAP go to the online application at [bit.ly/Rentrelief](https://bit.ly/Rentrelief). All programs use the same application.

If you do not qualify, then you can contact Metro Housing's Housing Hub for additional resources and referrals at [ResourceLine@MetroHousingBoston.org](mailto:ResourceLine@MetroHousingBoston.org)