



**OFFICE OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
CITY OF SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS**

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Springfield, Illinois - The City of Springfield, in partnership with the Springfield Urban League, have announced that the **local rental assistance** program is now available to tenants needing aid to pay for past due rent. The program will have a total of \$400,000 available for disbursement from Community Development Block Grant Funds and will be on a first-come, first-served basis. The program is open to applicants beginning **Thursday, August 20** and will run until the funding is exhausted.

To qualify for the program:

- The property address must be in the **corporate limits of the City of Springfield**.
- Your household income is within the allowable limits.*
- Applicant must provide documentation showing a loss of income due to COVID-19.
- Cooperation from the applicant's landlord to participate in the program.

Tenants seeking assistance should **call the Springfield Urban League at 217.789.0830**, Monday thru Friday, between 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., and must specify that they are seeking rental assistance. The intake process will occur over the phone.

The application process will include communication with your landlord to verify the rental agreement and the total rent owed. The **maximum amount a tenant may receive is \$1,000.00**.

Applicants must also be prepared to provide documentation pertaining to income, employment status, and eligibility regarding COVID-related impact. Applicants will have the ability to email documentation to the Urban League to complete the process. In the event the individual does not have internet access, materials may be dropped off to the lobby of the Springfield Urban League. Specific instructions regarding completed applications will be provided during the initial phone conversation.

If you are leaving a message with the Urban League regarding the program after hours, please specify that you are seeking rental assistance along with your contact information.

***Qualified Household Income Per Tenant Living At Address:**

- 1 – Can make up to \$42,800
- 2 – Can make up to \$48,900
- 3 – Can make up to \$55,000
- 4 – Can make up to \$61,100
- 5 – Can make up to \$66,000
- 6 – Can make up to \$70,900
- 7 – Can make up to \$75,800
- 8 – Can make up to \$80,700



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About Community Development Block Grant Program

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program is a federal program issued by the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development. Due to the coronavirus health pandemic, the City of Springfield received an additional \$799,000 in funding to be used on programs and needs that have been negatively impacted due to COVID-19. These funds are designated for low- to moderate-income persons and locations.

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