

Chester County Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance Program

The Emergency Rent & Utility Assistance Program serves Chester County residents and can only be accessed by dialing 2-1-1. Please follow the three steps below:

1. Press 2 for Homelessness and Housing Crisis
2. Press 2 for Chester County
3. Press 2 for Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Funding will serve individuals and families that are obligated to pay rent and meet the following three criteria:

- Households obligated to pay rent.
- Qualified for unemployment or have experienced financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to the COVID-19 outbreak.
- Demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability.
- Have a household income at or below 80 percent of the area median (*income limits are subject to change per guidance from the federal government*).

Once the client has contacted 2-1-1 for intake and referral, they will need to gather information for submission. **Those who are eligible can use the emergency rent and utility funding to pay for outstanding rent, electricity, gas, water, and sewer; and energy costs such as fuel oil or propane, over a 15-month period.** To view the application checklist and to learn more, visit: www.chesco.org/4905/Rent-Assistance

MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME GUIDELINES*

**As of June 2021, subject to change.*

Visit the URL below for the latest information.

| # of persons | 80% |
|--------------|----------|
| 1 | \$52,950 |
| 2 | \$60,500 |
| 3 | \$68,050 |
| 4 | \$75,600 |
| 5 | \$81,650 |
| 6 | \$87,700 |
| 7 | \$93,750 |
| 8 | \$99,800 |