

# **WESTMORELAND COUNTY'S EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ERAP)**



## **Who is Eligible?**

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- Has qualified for unemployment benefits or experienced a cut in income, incurred significant costs or experienced other hardship due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.
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  - Is living in unsafe or unhealthy conditions.
- Has a household income at or below 80 percent of the Westmoreland County area median income (AMI).

## **Income**

Household income is determined as either the household's total income for calendar year 2020 or the household's monthly income at the time of application.

## **Eligible Expenses**

- Current and past due rent
- Current and past due utility bills

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The Emergency Rental Assistance Program was created to assist those that were directly or indirectly impacted by the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency.\*

The ERAP Funds will be used to provide families and individuals financial assistance for rent, rental arrears, utilities and home energy costs, home energy costs arrears, and other expenses related to housing incurred due, directly or indirectly to COVID-19 and also providing housing stability services to eligible households.

Visit our website for updated information and to apply!

<https://www.theunionmission.org/erap>

or call 724-539-3550 x 210

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\* The Union Mission is the county agency that will distribute and manage the program.

# Behind on Rent and/or Utilities?

- *Do you live in Westmoreland County?*
  - *Were you Impacted Financially by COVID-19?*
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