



MEETING AGENDA

Community Action Partners Council

April 15, 2021

1:30 p.m.

Videoconference

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****Any member of the public who wishes to address the Commission regarding an item on the listed agenda must sign up to speak no later than 5:00PM on the day prior to the meeting. To sign up, contact Sonia Singleton at Sonia.Singleton@fortworthtexas.gov or (817) 392-5774. Please note that the City of Fort Worth is using a third party vendor to assist with City meetings. If there are service interruptions, including call in number changes, we will provide alternative call in numbers on our website whenever possible.**

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| I. | Call to Order | Nakia Cole, CAP Council Chair |
| II. | Invocation | CAP Council Member |
| III. | Statement of Open Meetings Act | Alexandra Thurston, Administrative Assistant |

IV. Special Presentations and Introductions

Introduction of newly elected CAP Council Members Sonia Singleton, Assistant Director

V. Consideration of March 25, 2021 Minutes

Nakia Cole, CAP Council Chair

VI. Information Items from Staff

- 1. Provide an Update on the Coordinated Response of the City of Fort Worth for Residents Impacted by Winter Storm Uri Sonia Singleton, Assistant Director
- 2. Provide an Update on the Community Action Partners Disaster Assistance Program Thenessa Mack-Palmer, Interim Human Services Manager
- 3. Provide an Overview of the Emergency Rental Assistance Program and Partner Agencies Terrance Jones, Interim Neighborhood Services Manager

VII. Action Items

- 1. Swear in Newly Elected CAP Council Members Michael Vega, Outreach Coordinator
 - a. LaGina Kissentaner, Place 7
 - b. Jonathan Guadrian, Alternate, Place 7
 - c. Carol Brown, Place 8
 - d. Heather Buen, Place 10

VIII. Report of the Assistant Director

Sonia Singleton, Assistant Director

- 1. Review of Monthly Performance and Financial Reports for the Community Services Block Grant Program and Other Community Services Block Grant Initiatives
- 2. Provide Update on the Fort Worth Cares Emergency Household Assistance Program Funded by the Federal CARES Act (May 2020 to March 31, 2021)
- 3. Provide Update on the Community Action Partners' CARES Emergency Household Assistance Program (April 2020 to March 31, 2021)
- 4. Review of Monthly Performance and Financial Reports for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program and Supplemental Funding

*No monthly Program Reports are available for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Service delivery has been temporarily suspended out of an abundance of caution for the health of applicants and staff due to COVID-19.

IX. Announcements

Council Members and Staff

X. Future Agenda Items

CAP Council Members and Staff

XI. Adjourn

Nakia Cole, CAP Council Chair

The next regularly scheduled CAP Council meeting will be held virtually on May 20, 2021. The instructions and links to connect to the meeting will be sent to each CAP Council member and also posted online.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that this Notice of Meeting was posted on the City of Fort Worth official website and said Notice was posted on the following date and time **Friday, April 09, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.** and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Mary J. Kaiser

COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERS (CAP) COUNCIL
Via WebEx
Thursday, March 25, 2021
1:30 p.m.

MEETING MINUTES

PRESENT:

CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES:

Roxanne Martinez, Representative for Place 1

Jerome Johnson, Representative for Place 3

COUNTY COMMISSIONER REPRESENTATIVES:

Jeannette Martinez, Alternate Representative for Place 5

NEIGHBORHOOD REPRESENTATIVES:

Nakia Cole, Chair, Place 6

Connie Nieswiadomy, Place 9

COMMUNITY GROUP REPRESENTATIVES:

Abel Gonzalez, Place 11

Mervil Johnson, Place 12

Lisa Martin, Place 13

David Johnson, Place 14

Scott Sheppard, Place 15

ABSENT:

Jesse Taylor, Representative for Place 2

Kelly Rodriguez, Representative for Place 4

VACANT, Place 7

VACANT, Place 8

VACANT, Place 10

Quorum requirements were met.

STAFF:

Sonia Singleton, Assistant Director

Thenessa Mack-Palmer, Acting Human Services Manager

Sharon Burkley, Senior Planner

Michael Vega, Outreach Coordinator

Jack McGee, Cable Services Supervisor

Alexandra Thurston, Administrative Assistant

I. Call to Order

Abel Gonzalez, Second Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:38 p.m.

II. Invocation

Invocation given by David Johnson.

III. Statement of Open Meetings Act

Read by Alexandra Thurston

IV. Special Presentations and Introductions

Video Tribute to Marie Francis

V. Consideration of Minutes from the Meeting on December 17, 2020

David Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes of December 17, 2020 as presented. Lisa Martin seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

VI. Information Items from Staff

1. Provide Update on the Fort Worth Cares Emergency Household Assistance Program Funded by the Federal CARES Act (May 2020 to February 28, 2021)

Presented by Sonia Singleton.

The \$9.7 allocation from Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) for Neighborhood Services Department (NSD) was originally \$3.7M for housing assistance, but due to Non-Government Organizations (NGO) agencies not spending their allocation of \$5.7M. NSD increased housing assistance to \$5.42M.

We received a total of 5,588 unduplicated applications of which:

- 1,394 were transferred to CAP for assistance due to one or more of the following:
 - Household receives assistance via HUD Housing
 - Household does not reside within the city limits of Fort Worth
 - Household did not have a COVID crisis
- 84 were assisted via Forward Home Veterans Assistance
- 11 were denied due to not residing within Tarrant County and/or Texas
- 1,832 were processed via FW CARES

The FW CARES program ended March 14, 2021. All funds have been exhausted.

Discussion included the City of Fort Worth's Winter Storm Recovery programs, which can be accessed through the City website at fortworthtexas.gov/storm-recovery.

2. Provide Update on the Community Action Partners' CARES Emergency Household Assistance Program (April 2020 to February 28, 2021)

Presented by Thenessa Mack-Palmer, Acting Human Services Manager.

Approximately \$2.56M in CSBG CARES funds were available.

We received a total of 7,755 unduplicated applications:

- Excludes the previously referenced applications that were transferred from Fort Worth CARES.
- 4,975 were assisted via CEAP funds
- 1,208 were assisted via CSBG CARES funds including discretionary funds
- 1,684 were assisted via either CSBG Case Management or CSBG Energy funds.
 - This may also include applicants who experienced a COVID-19 crisis but did not have documentation thereof

Approximately \$105,000 in funds remains. Grant will expire on June 30, 2021.

3. Provide Update on CEAP Cares funded by TDHCA

Presented by Thenessa Mack-Palmer, Acting Human Services Manager.

139 households were assisted, at a total of \$52,355.89 expended.

4. Focus Group for Community Needs Assessment

Presented by Sharon Burkley, Senior Planner.

The Assessment is due on June 1, 2021. Presentation included:

- Focus Group Overview
- Community Needs Assessment description
- Ranking and Identification of Community Needs for Tarrant County
- Next Steps
- Questions and Comments.

VII. Action Items

None

VIII. Report of the Assistant Director

1. Review of Monthly Performance and Financial Reports for the Community Services Block Grant Program and Other Community Services Block Grant Initiatives

Board members were provided with a copy of the financial presentation that reviews organization-wide report on revenue and expenditures that compares budget to actual, categorized by program, and the balance sheet or statement of financial position.

2. Review of Monthly Performance and Financial Reports for the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program and Supplemental Funding

Board members were provided with a copy of the financial presentation that reviews organization-wide report on revenue and expenditures that compares budget to actual, categorized by program, and the balance sheet or statement of financial position.

3. No monthly Program Reports are available for the Weatherization Assistance Program. Service delivery has been temporarily suspended out of an abundance of caution for the health of applicants and staff due to COVID-19.

IX. Announcements by Council Members and Staff

- Sonia Singleton: CAP Council elections were conducted for Places 7, 8, and 10. Incoming Council members are:
 - Place 7: LaGina Kissentaner
 - Place 8: Carol Brown
 - Place 10: Heather Buen

New Council members will be joining in April 2021. Another election will be conducted for Place 9, which is currently an expired term. Once all of these vacancies are filled, the Council will be in compliance with state requirements.

- Nakia Cole: The City of Fort Worth is hiring 100 Vaccine Site Assistants at \$15 per hour for up to ten months.
- Jeannette Martinez: Tarrant County Vaccine Registration Events
<http://www.tarrantcounty.com/covidshot>
- Roxanne Martinez: Fort Worth Star-Telegram article listing dual voter and vaccine registration events:
<https://www.star-telegram.com/news/coronavirus/article250182295.html>
- Nakia Cole: Fort Worth ISD Day of Service:
<http://www.fwisd.org/DayofService>

- Mervil Johnson: Workforce Solutions Virtual Job Fair on March 31 from 9:00 to 2:00:
<https://workforcesolutions.net/event/tarrant-county-virtual-job-fair-033121/>

X. Future Agenda Items

More on the Community Needs Assessment – due June 1, 2021
Annual Community Action Plan – due September 1, 2021

Next meeting: April 15, 2021 at 1:30 p.m.

XI. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

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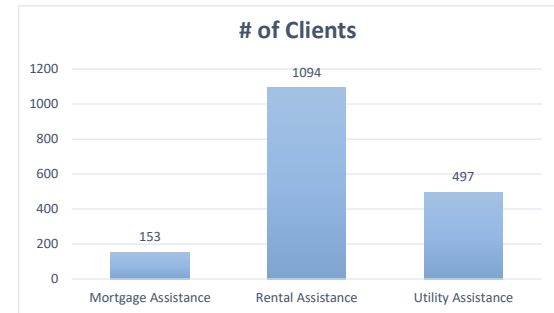
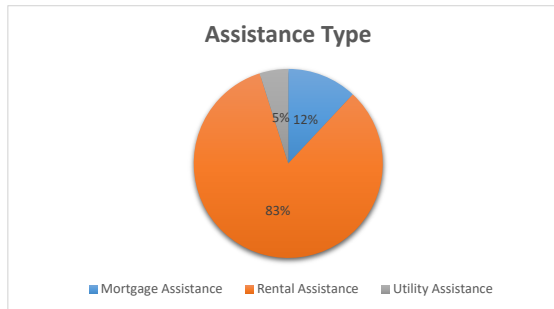
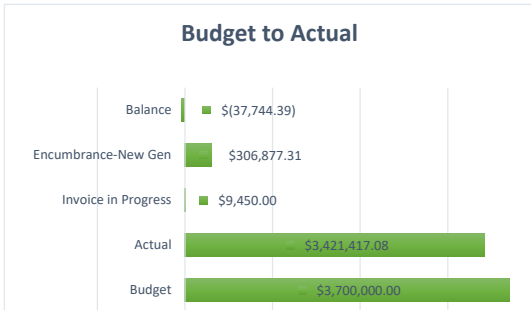
FW CARES HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Friday, April 9, 2021

Budget	\$ 3,700,000.00
Actual	\$ 3,421,417.08
Invoice in Progress	\$ 9,450.00
Encumbrance-New Gen	\$ 306,877.31
Balance	\$ (37,744.39)

	Amount	# of Clients
Mortgage Assistance	447,100.81	153
Rental Assistance	3,105,555.64	1094
Utility Assistance	182,910.72	497
Total	<u>\$ 3,735,567.17</u>	<u>1744</u>

Total # of clients assisted 1292 *unduplicated

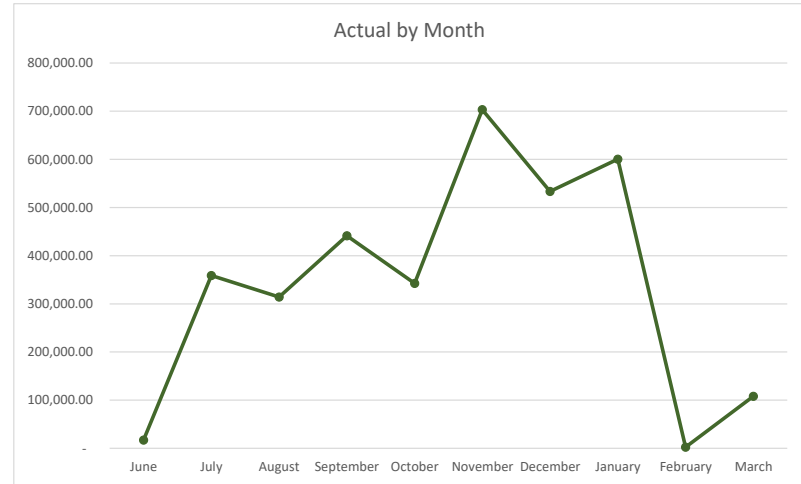
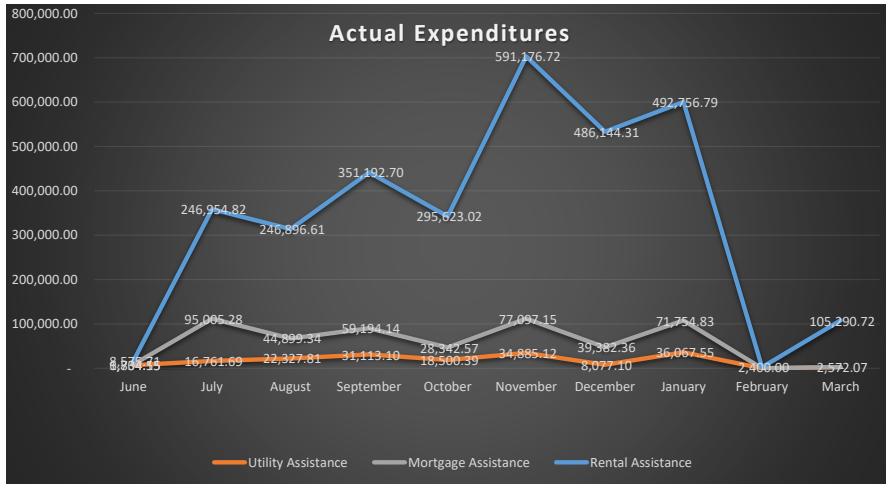


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Actual Expenditures

Month	Mortgage Assistance	Rental Assistance	Utility Assistance	Monthly Total
June	1,704.15	8,575.71	6,834.55	17,114.41
July	95,005.28	246,954.82	16,761.69	358,721.79
August	44,899.34	246,896.61	22,327.81	314,123.76
September	59,194.14	351,192.70	31,113.10	441,499.94
October	28,342.57	295,623.02	18,500.39	342,465.98
November	77,097.15	591,176.72	34,885.12	703,158.99
December	39,382.36	486,144.31	8,077.10	533,603.77
January	71,754.83	492,756.79	36,067.55	600,579.17
February	-	2,400.00	-	2,400.00
March	-	105,290.72	2,572.07	107,862.79
Total	\$ 417,379.82	\$ 2,827,011.40	\$ 177,139.38	\$ 3,421,530.60

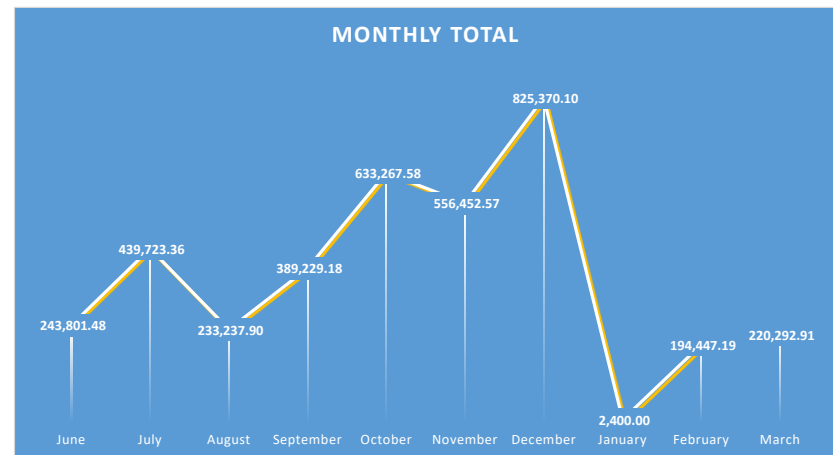
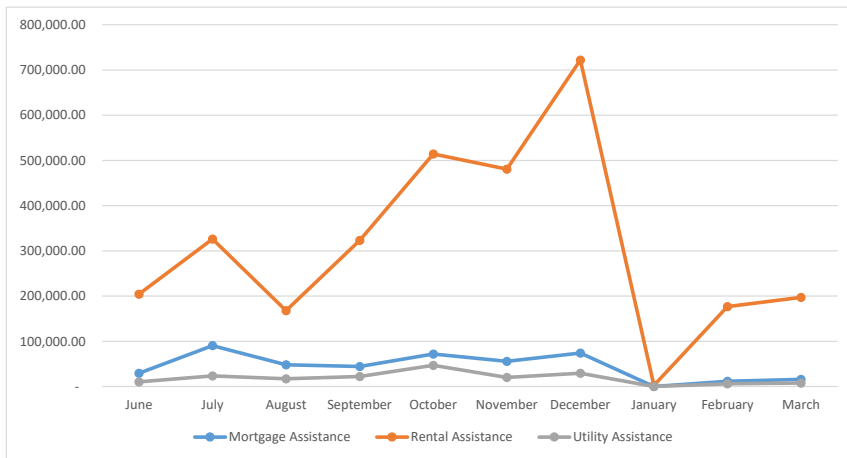


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Pledges

Month	Mortgage Assistance	Rental Assistance	Utility Assistance	Monthly Total
June	29,479.67	204,300.72	10,021.09	243,801.48
July	90,284.55	326,212.85	23,225.96	439,723.36
August	48,173.39	167,918.24	17,146.27	233,237.90
September	44,180.04	323,078.19	21,970.95	389,229.18
October	71,969.35	514,463.02	46,835.21	633,267.58
November	55,693.16	480,616.21	20,143.20	556,452.57
December	74,077.78	722,024.45	29,267.87	825,370.10
January	-	2,400.00	-	2,400.00
February	11,585.46	176,690.51	6,171.22	194,447.19
March	15,637.23	197,056.32	7,599.36	220,292.91
Total	\$ 441,080.63	\$ 3,114,760.51	\$ 182,381.13	\$ 3,738,222.27



CSBG CARES HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Total # of clients assisted

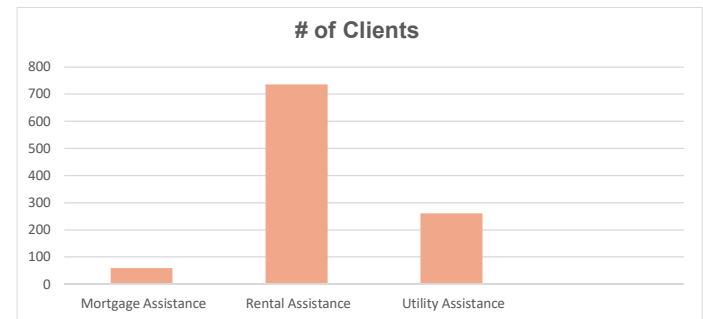
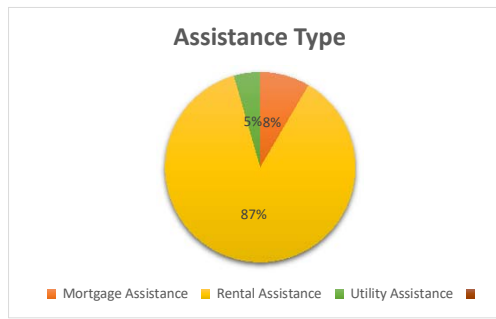
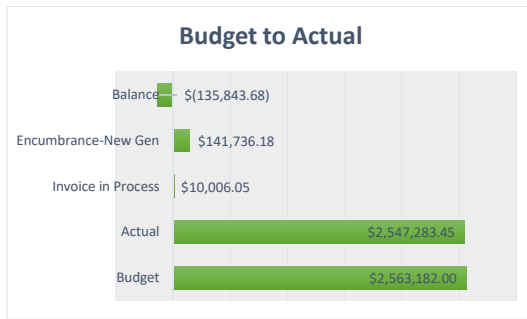
934

*unduplicated clients

Budget	\$	2,563,182.00
Actual	\$	2,547,283.45
Invoice in Process	\$	10,006.05
Encumbrance-New Gen	\$	141,736.18
Balance	\$	<u>(135,843.68)</u>

New Gen	Amount	# of Clients
Mortgage Assistance	228,524.82	59
Rental Assistance	2,349,348.51	736
Utility Assistance	120,929.61	261
Total	<u>\$ 2,698,802.94</u>	<u>1056</u>

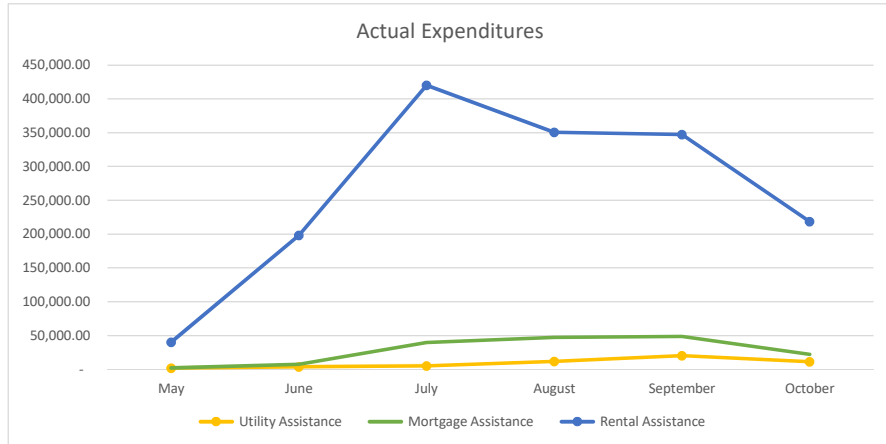
Actual	Amount	# of Clients
Mortgage Assistance	199,947.41	58
Rental Assistance	2,233,005.39	727
Utility Assistance	114,330.65	204
Total	<u>\$ 2,547,283.45</u>	<u>989</u>



CSBG CARES HOUSEHOLD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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Actual Expenditures				
Month	Mortgage Assistance	Rental Assistance	Utility Assistance	Monthly Total
May	-	38,038.51	2,073.83	40,112.34
June	3,559.34	190,896.28	3,967.33	198,422.95
July	34,380.91	380,516.90	5,304.34	420,202.15
August	35,235.54	303,425.37	12,028.82	350,689.73
September	28,365.86	298,860.83	20,358.80	347,585.49
October	11,051.08	196,487.09	11,276.92	218,815.09
November	13,720.00	308,830.06	20,023.45	342,573.51
December	48,245.37	284,479.83	16,726.85	349,452.05
January	-	-	-	-
February	-	-	-	-
Total	\$ 174,558.10	\$ 2,001,534.87	\$ 91,760.34	\$ 2,267,853.31





Curbside Drop-Off Tax Help

Free VITA tax filing assistance April 1 - April 30



**Beginning April 1, 2021
No Appointment Needed**

Walk-in hours to drop off tax documents

Opening Doors for Women in Need

3600 Horne St.
Fridays only 10 a.m. to noon

Southside Community Center

959 E. Rosedale St.
Mondays only 10 a.m. to noon



How Curbside Drop-Off Works

- Documents will be copied and returned to taxpayer.
- You must have a Social Security Card or ITIN.
- Staff will complete the tax return on site the day the information is received.
- Taxpayers will remain in their vehicles at all times.
- Taxpayers will need to wear a mask.

Who Is NOT Eligible?

- Taxpayers who file Married Filing Separately.
- Taxpayers who have rental income.
- Taxpayers with business expenses over \$35,000.



For more information:

Visit: FortWorthTexas.gov/cap/vita

Email: VITA@fortworthtexas.gov

Call: 817-392-5698



**For incomes up to \$60,000*

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1 de abril - 30 de abril

¡Nuevo!

A partir del 1 de abril de 2021

No se necesita cita

**Horas sin cita previa para dejar los
documentos fiscales**

Opening Doors for Women in Need

3600 Horne St.

Solo los viernes 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Centro Comunitario Southside

959 E. Rosedale St.

Solo los lunes 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.



Cómo funciona VITA en la acera

- Debe tener una tarjeta de Seguro Social o ITIN.
- Los documentos serán copiados y devueltos al contribuyente.
- El personal completará la declaración de impuestos en el sitio el día que se reciba la información.
- Los contribuyentes permanecerán en sus vehículos.
- Los contribuyentes deberán usar una máscara.

¿Quién no es elegible?

- Los contribuyentes que quieren presentar una declaración de casados por separado.
- Los contribuyentes que tienen ingresos por alquiler.
- Contribuyentes con gastos de negocio más de \$35,000.

FORT WORTH

Para más información:

Visite: [FortWorthTexas.gov/cap/vita](https://www.fortworthtexas.gov/cap/vita)

Correo electrónico: VITA@fortworthtexas.gov

Llamé: 817-392-5698

**Para ingresos de hasta \$60,000*



Emergency Rental Assistance

Keeping Families in Their Homes



Help is available for rent, past due rent, utilities, past due utility payments and other housing expenses resulting from the coronavirus outbreak.

Who can apply?

- Renters in eligible households.
- Landlords on behalf of eligible renters, with tenant approval.

Eligibility

- One or more household member has qualified for unemployment, experienced a reduction in household income or experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19.
- One or more household member can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability; **and**
- The household income is at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (see chart).

Household Size	Annual Income 50% AMI	Annual Income 80% AMI
1	\$28,550	\$45,650
2	\$32,600	\$52,200
3	\$36,700	\$58,700
4	\$40,750	\$65,200
5	\$44,050	\$70,450
6	\$47,300	\$75,650
7	\$50,550	\$80,850
8	\$53,800	\$86,100

How to Apply

Apply online using Chrome on a desktop or laptop computer for best results. Upload documents (pdf, jpeg or photo) to prove you are eligible.

Documents Needed

You will need to show financial hardship, income and rental amount due. Acceptable documents may include: layoff notice, past due rent notice, late utility bill notice, eviction notice, most recent tax return, paystubs showing loss of income/hours, copy of lease, rent payment receipts, cancelled checks to landlord, etc.

Fort Worth residents

City of Fort Worth

Website:

fortworthtexas.gov/neighborhoods/emergency-rental-assistance

Questions: FWERAP@fortworthtexas.gov

If you need help with the application, contact a partner agency.

Center for Transforming Lives

Questions: info@transforminglives.org

Fort Worth Housing Solutions

Questions: ERAP@fwhs.org

Housing Channel

Questions: info@housingchannel.org

Samaritan House

Questions: programs@samaritanhouse.org

The Salvation Army

Questions: 817-344-1832

Tarrant County residents (NOT in Arlington or Fort Worth city limits)

Website: getrenthelp.com



Emergency
Rental
Assistance

Asistencia de Emergencia para el Alquiler

Mantener a las Familias en sus Hogares



Hay ayuda disponible para el alquiler, alquiler vencido, los servicios públicos, los pagos de servicios públicos vencidos y otros gastos de vivienda que resulten del brote de coronavirus.

¿Quién puede aplicar?

- Inquilinos en hogares elegibles.
- Propietarios en nombre de inquilinos elegibles, con la aprobación del inquilino.

Elegibilidad

- Uno o más miembros del hogar han calificado para el desempleo, ha experimentado una reducción en los ingresos del hogar o ha experimentado dificultades financieras debido a COVID-19.
- Uno o más miembros del hogar pueden demostrar un riesgo de experimentar falta de vivienda o inestabilidad en la vivienda; y
- El ingreso familiar es igual o inferior al 80% del ingreso medio del área. (Ve la tabla)

Tamaño del hogar	Ingresos anuales 50% AMI	Ingresos anuales 80% AMI
1	\$28,550	\$45,650
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Cómo Aplicar

Solicite en línea usando Chrome en una computadora de escritorio o portátil para obtener mejores resultados. Cargue documentos (pdf, jpeg o foto) para demostrar que es elegible.

Documentos Necesarios

Deberá demostrar las dificultades económicas, los ingresos y el monto del alquiler adeudado. Los documentos aceptables pueden incluir: aviso de despido, aviso de alquiler vencido, aviso de factura de servicios públicos atrasado, aviso de desalojo, declaración de impuestos más reciente, recibos de pago que muestren la pérdida de ingresos / horas, copia del contrato de arrendamiento, recibos de pago del alquiler, cheques cancelados al propietario, etc.

Residentes de Fort Worth residentes

Ciudad de Fort Worth

Sitio web: fortworthtexas.gov/neighborhoods/emergency-rental-assistance

Preguntas: FWERAP@fortworthtexas.gov

Si necesita ayuda con la solicitud, comuníquese con una agencia asociada.

Center for Transforming Lives

Preguntas: info@transforminglives.org

Fort Worth Housing Solutions

Preguntas: ERAP@fwhs.org

Housing Channel

Preguntas: info@housingchannel.org

Samaritan House

Preguntas: programs@samaritanhouse.org

The Salvation Army

Preguntas: 817-344-1832

Residentes del Condado de Tarrant (pero NO en los límites de la ciudad de Arlington o Fort Worth)

Sitio web: getrenthelp.com



Emergency
Rental
Assistance



Frequently Asked Questions

What can assistance be used for?

The program goal is keeping families in their homes. Funds must be used for rent, past due rent, utilities, past due utility payments, and other housing expenses resulting from the coronavirus pandemic. Funds **cannot** be used for telephone, cable or Internet service unless they are covered by the landlord as part of rent.

Who is eligible for rental assistance?

Renters in households with incomes at or below 80% of area median income (see AMI chart) who meet the following criteria:

- One or more individual in the household has qualified for unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to the coronavirus outbreak;
- One or more individual in the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing housing instability or homelessness which may include a past due utility or rent notice; an eviction notice; unsafe or unhealthy living conditions; or any other evidence of such risk as determined by the office administering the assistance.

Priority is given to renter households at or below 50 percent of AMI and to households in which one or more household member is unemployed and has been unemployed for 90 days.

What is the area median income or AMI?

Area median income is the mid-point of an area’s income distribution. It’s used to determine eligibility for many assistance programs.

In the first column below, locate the number of people living in your household. Look to the right on the same line and find your monthly household income (total of all household members’ incomes before taxes are taken out.) Incomes in the 80% AMI column are the most your household can earn to be eligible for this program. Households with incomes equal to or less than those in the 50% AMI column will receive priority.

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1	\$28,550	\$45,650
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continued

If I currently receive or have received other rental assistance, can I still apply?

Yes, however emergency rental funds cannot be used to pay for costs that have been or will be reimbursed by other federal assistance. Rents for any months when you received rental assistance from another source cannot be paid with this program.

How do I apply?

Applications are available online. Use Chrome on a desktop computer or laptop for best results. Upload digital documents (pdf, jpeg or photos) to prove you are eligible. The Neighborly Software is easy to use and allows you to save your work as you go. If you do not have internet at home, check city libraries, community centers and other public buildings for free Wi-Fi connection to the internet. If you need help with the application, contact a partner agency where you live.

If you live in Arlington

Arlington Housing Authority

Website: www.arlingtonhousing.us

Email: homelessassistance@arlingtonhousing.us

If you live in Fort Worth (choose one)

City of Fort Worth

Website: fortworthtexas.gov/neighborhoods/emergency-rental-assistance

Email: FWERAP@fortworthtexas.gov

Fort Worth Housing Solutions

Website: www.fwhs.org/erap/

Email: ERAP@fwhs.org

Housing Channel

Website: www.housingchannel.org

Email: info@housingchannel.org

Samaritan House

Website: www.samaritanhouse.org

Questions: programs@samaritanhouse.org

The Salvation Army

Questions: 817-344-1832

If you live in Tarrant County (but NOT in Arlington or Fort Worth city limits)

Tarrant County Texas Eviction Diversion Program

Website: www.tarrantcounty.com/

Email: TECP@tarrantcounty.com

Other resources

Texas Rent Relief

Website: texasrentrelief.com/

Questions: 833-9TX-RENT (833-989-7368)

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I'm a landlord/owner. Can I apply on behalf of my tenants?

Yes. Landlords and owners may apply on behalf of tenants who meet the eligibility requirements, so long as the tenant cosigns the application (electronic signatures accepted), the landlord provides a copy of the application to the tenant and the payments are used to satisfy the tenant's rental obligation to the landlord/owner.

How will rent and utilities be paid?

Payments are made directly to landlords and/or utility providers on behalf of eligible households.

How long does assistance last?

Generally, assistance is available in three-month increments. Household income must be recertified every three months to continue receiving rental assistance. Eligibility for funds after each three-month period depends on availability of funds. Assistance can last up to 12 months plus an additional three months, if necessary, to ensure housing stability.

I owe back rent from early in the pandemic. Can I apply for help?

Yes, assistance may cover back rent owed as early as March 13, 2020, the date of the U.S. emergency declaration, and continue through Dec. 31, 2021, or until available funds are exhausted.

I'm not behind on rent yet, but I can't keep up much longer. Can I apply for help?

Yes, but benefits are limited to three months at a time.

I've already received an eviction notice. Can you help me?

Yes. Your landlord must agree to participate in the program. In some cases, the court record of the proposed eviction also may be cleared. Be sure to upload a copy of the eviction notice with your application.

Will rental assistance be counted as income, potentially disqualifying me for other aid?

Payments made on behalf of households are not treated as income of the household and are not considered a resource for purposes of determining eligibility for or extent of other benefits or assistance under other federal, state or local programs.

Does this program assist with mortgage payments?

No, the program only helps with residential rental homes.

Who pays for this program?

The federal Coronavirus Relief bills authorized all funds for this program. Emergency Rental Assistance is a program of the U.S. Treasury Department. Funds are granted to state and municipal agencies for distribution to eligible applicants. A portion of the program will also be paid for through a grant from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs, through State of Texas Community Development Block Grant funds.

Is it safe to upload my personal documents when applying?

Fort Worth applications use Neighborly Software, which was approved by the city's Information Technology Services Department. Here is the Neighborly Software security statement: We adopt appropriate data collection, storage and processing practices and security measures to protect against unauthorized access, alteration, disclosure or destruction of your personal information, username, password, transaction information and data stored on our Services. Access to your data on our Services is password-protected, and data is protected by SSL encryption when it is exchanged between your web browser and our Services.

City of Fort Worth Lead-Safe Program

Creating lead-safe environments for Fort Worth families



Health effects of lead on children

Exposure to dust and paint chips from deteriorated lead-based paint poses serious health risks and effects including:

- Brain, nervous system and kidney damage.
- Learning disabilities.
- Poor muscle coordination.
- Slower growth.
- Hearing loss.
- Behavioral problems.

The Lead-Safe Program provides lead hazard reduction home repair services to create a lead-safe environment for the children and residents of Fort Worth. The program helps income-eligible residents protect children from lead when they live or spend extended periods of time in a home with deteriorated lead-based paint.

Participation in the program will require a paint inspection of the property to determine presence of lead-based paint hazards.

What services does the program provide?

- Inspection and risk assessment of the property for lead-based paint.
- Healthy Homes Inspection.
- If deteriorated lead-based paint is identified, the work may include:
 - Painting of interior and/or exterior surfaces
 - Possible replacement of components such as doors, windows or siding.
 - Repairs of urgent health and safety conditions.

How can I participate in the program?

- The property must be located in the City of Fort Worth and built before 1978.
- The owner of the property must agree to participate in the program. Rental properties may be eligible.
- A child under the age of six lives in the home OR spends at least six hours a week plus 60 hours a year in the home or a pregnant woman is living in the home.
- The total household yearly income (including all adults living in the home) must be at or below the following:

Household Size	Annual Income	Household Size	Annual Income
1	\$45,650	5	\$70,450
2	\$52,200	6	\$75,650
3	\$58,700	7	\$80,850
4	\$65,200	8	\$ 86,100

Program Income Limits are updated annually.

Contact Information:

FortWorthTexas.gov/leadsafe
LeadSafe@fortworthtexas.gov
817-392-7444

Get your home tested! Get your child tested!

El Programa Lead-Safe de la Ciudad de Fort Worth

Creando ambientes seguros para las familias de Fort Worth



Efectos del plomo en la salud de niños

La exposición al polvo y pedazos de pintura a base de plomo deteriorada presenta graves riesgos y efectos para la salud, incluyendo:

- Daño cerebral, nervioso y renal.
- Dificultades de aprendizaje.
- Poca coordinación muscular.
- Crecimiento lento.
- Pérdida de audición.
- Problemas de comportamiento.

El programa Lead-Safe ofrece servicios de reparación en el hogar para la reducción del peligro del plomo para crear un ambiente seguro para los niños y los residentes de Fort Worth. El programa ayuda a los residentes elegibles según sus ingresos a proteger a los niños del plomo cuando viven o pasan largos períodos de tiempo en un hogar con pintura a base de plomo deteriorada.

La participación en el programa requerirá una inspección de pintura de la propiedad para determinar la presencia de peligros de pintura a base de plomo.

¿Qué servicios ofrece el programa?

- Inspección y evaluación de riesgos de la propiedad para pinturas a base de plomo.
- Inspección de Hogares Saludables.
- Si se identifica pintura deteriorada a base de plomo, el trabajo puede incluir:
 - Pintura de superficies interiores y/o exteriores.
 - Posible reemplazo de componentes como puertas, ventanas o revestimientos.
 - Reparaciones para condiciones de salud urgentes y de seguridad.

¿Cómo puedo participar en el programa?

- La propiedad debe estar ubicada en la ciudad de Fort Worth y construida antes de 1978.
- El propietario de la propiedad debe estar de acuerdo en participar en el programa. Las propiedades de renta pueden ser elegibles.
- Un niño menor de seis años vive en el hogar o pasa al menos seis horas a la semana más 60 horas al año en la casa o una mujer embarazada vive en la casa.
- El ingreso anual total del hogar (incluyendo todos los adultos que viven en el hogar) debe ser igual o debajo a lo siguiente:

Tamaño del Hogar	Ingresos Anuales	Tamaño del Hogar	Ingresos Anuales
1	\$45,650	5	\$70,450
2	\$52,200	6	\$75,650
3	\$58,700	7	\$80,850
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Limites de ingresos del programa se actualizan anualmente.

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¡Ponga su casa a prueba! ¡Hágale una prueba a su hijo!

CITY OF FORT WORTH PRIORITY REPAIR PROGRAM

WATERLINE ASSISTANCE THROUGH EMERGENCY REPAIRS (WATER) PROGRAM OVERVIEW

The Fort Worth Waterline Assistance Through Emergency Repairs (WATER) Program will assist eligible Fort Worth residents impacted by the February 2021 snowstorm for emergency plumbing repairs to water and gas lines and water heaters at their primary residence. Assistance is available for owner-occupied households within the city limits of Fort Worth whose total household income does not exceed 80% of area median income (AMI).

This program is administered through the City of Fort Worth's Priority Repair Program within the Neighborhood Services Department and may include funding from United Way and other community sources.

ASSISTANCE PROVIDED

Repair of water and gas lines and water heaters up to \$5,000 per household. There will be no out-of-pocket expenses for the applicants; repairs will be made by contractors of the city. All payments will be made directly to the contractors. No additional repairs associated with water damage will be made through this program. The program's goal is to complete repairs within 10 business days from the date of the completed application.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- o Household Income \leq 80% area median income
- o Owner-occupied dwellings only (i.e., applicant's primary residence)
- o Dwelling unit located within the city limits of Fort Worth
- o Housing unit has been damaged by the February 2021 snowstorm

ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES

- o Water line repairs
- o Gas lines repairs
- o Water heater repairs (in-operable or unsafe)

DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

- o Proof of Identity (e.g., state issued personal ID, Driver's License, etc.)
- o Proof of United States Citizenship (birth certificate, passport)
- o Proof of Ownership (mortgage statement, deed, etc.)
- o Proof of Primary Residence (Utility bill, voter registration, homestead exemption, etc.)
- o Proof of Household Income (check stub, W-2, tax return, etc.)
- o Proof damage(s) occurred as a result of the 2021 snowstorm
- o Completion of online Priority Repair Program application (via City's website)

INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

- o Households receiving assistance from insurance claims/proceeds filed are not eligible
- o Tenants of rental properties
- o Landlords
- o Dwelling units that are not the primary residence of the owner

APPLY ONLINE AT:

www.fortworthtexas.gov/neighborhoods

For more information, please contact:
817- 392-7548



CIUDAD DE FORT WORTH PROGRAMA DE REPARACIÓN PRIORITARIA

ASISTENCIA DE LÍNEAS DE AGUA A TRAVÉS DE REPARACIONES DE EMERGENCIA (WATER) VISIÓN GENERAL DEL PROGRAMA

El Programa de Asistencia de Líneas de Agua a Través de Reparaciones de Emergencia (WATER) ayudará a los residentes elegibles de Fort Worth afectados por la tormenta de nieve de febrero de 2021 a realizar reparaciones de emergencia en las tuberías de agua y gas y calentadores de agua en su residencia principal. La asistencia está disponible para hogares ocupados por propietarios dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Fort Worth cuyo ingreso familiar total no exceda el 80% del ingreso medio del área (AMI).

Este programa es administrado a través del Programa de Reparación Prioritaria de la Ciudad de Fort Worth dentro del Departamento de Servicios Vecinales y puede incluir fondos de United Way y otras fuentes comunitarias.

ASISTENCIA PROPORCIONADA

Reparación de líneas de agua y gas y calentadores de agua hasta \$5,000 por hogar. No habrá gastos de bolsillo para los solicitantes; Las reparaciones serán realizadas por contratistas de la ciudad. Todos los pagos se realizarán directamente a los contratistas. No se realizarán reparaciones adicionales asociadas con daños por agua a través de este programa. El objetivo del programa es completar las reparaciones dentro de los 10 días hábiles a partir de la fecha de la solicitud completa.

REQUISITOS DE ELEGIBILIDAD

- o Ingreso del hogar \leq 80% ingreso medio del área
- o Solo viviendas ocupadas por el propietario (es decir, la residencia principal del solicitante)
- o El hogar está ubicada dentro de los límites de la ciudad de Fort Worth
- o El hogar ha sido dañado por la tormenta de nieve de febrero de 2021

ACTIVIDADES ELEGIBLES

- o Reparaciones de la línea de agua
- o Reparaciones de la línea de gas
- o Reparaciones de calentadores de agua (inoperable o inseguro)

DOCUMENTOS REQUERIDOS

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- o Prueba de ciudadanía de los Estados Unidos (certificado de nacimiento, pasaporte)
- o Comprobante de propiedad (declaración de hipoteca, escritura, etc.)
- o Comprobante de residencia principal (factura de servicios públicos, registro de votantes, exención de vivienda, etc.)
- o Comprobante de ingresos del hogar (talón de cheque, W-2, declaración de impuestos, etc.)
- o Pruebas de daño(s) ocurrieron como resultado de la tormenta de nieve de 2021
- o Finalización de la solicitud en línea del Programa de reparación prioritaria (a través del sitio web de la ciudad)

SOLICITE EN LÍNEA:

www.fortworthtexas.gov/neighborhoods

Para obtener más información, por favor contacte:
817-392-7548

SOLICITANTES NO ELEGIBLES

- o Los hogares que reciben asistencia de reclamos/ganancias de seguros presentados no son elegibles
- o Inquilinos de propiedades de alquiler
- o Propietarios de hogares alquiler
- o Unidades de vivienda que no son la residencia principal del propietario



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