

Subject: Georgia Assistance Program

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Utility Providers

The U.S. Treasury has given the State of Georgia half a billion dollars to distribute in the form of direct payments to landlords and utility providers on behalf of tenants who have fallen behind on payments due to the COVID-19 pandemic. DCA will begin accepting applications for aid in March, and the program can provide between 12 and 15 months of unpaid utilities.

Renters and landlord will be able to utilize an online portal to provide documentation. However, utility provider will need to email grafinanceservices@dca.ga.gov and provide a W-9 and the completed ACH form.

Eligibility Criteria for Tenants

- Qualifies for unemployment or has experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19
- Demonstrates a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability
- Has a household income at or below 80 percent of the area median income with priority given to households below 50 percent of the area median income

For more information:

- Visit georgiarentalassistance.ga.gov
- Call 833-827-7368 / 833-827-RENT
- Email grafinanceservices@dca.ga.gov