

LeeCARES Individual Assistance Program Overview

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Lee County Government is investing \$57.5 million in Human & Business Services to provide immediate assistance for individuals, families and businesses. Funds are available through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act federal stimulus package.

Lee County has identified \$22 million in emergency support that is available to qualified individuals through the **Lee CARES Individual Assistance Program**, which is intended to help households impacted by Governor DeSantis' Safer at Home Act.

The program's highlights include:

- Assistance with rent, mortgage or utilities (water and electric) may be provided if an individual has an unexpected loss of income due to impacts of COVID-19, including loss of job or reduced work hours.
- Maximum assistance of \$2,000 per household. Available funding is expected to help 10,000 or more Lee County households.
- Payments will be made directly to landlord, mortgage company and/or utility company.
- Assistance will be allocated to qualified applicants until relief funds are exhausted.

Eligibility

- Total income for all household members, at the time of application, cannot exceed \$55,000.
- Applicant has an unexpected loss of income due to impacts of COVID-19, including loss of job or reduced work hours.
- Applicant must be a Lee County resident.

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