



EMERGENCY COVID RELIEF FUND

Those helped by the Emergency COVID Relief Fund do not receive cash. Payments are made directly to landlords or vendors. The Fund provides emergency financial assistance for individuals and families directly affected by the COVID 19 crisis.

COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO: HECH, PO Box 638, WEST HARWICH, MA 02671

Name: _____ Date _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email _____ Phone: _____

What is your monthly gross income for all household members (18+)? _____

What is your Household Size _____ What are the ages of all individuals in the household _____

What are your needs? How much are you requesting and what will it be used for? \$ _____

Please check off the box below if your request is related to the COVID-19 crisis.

I certify that I am applying for emergency housing assistance because of a housing situation that was caused or made worse by the COVID-19 pandemic and economic crisis.

Please explain how COVID-19 caused a financial hardship for your household.

Have you contacted other organizations for assistance? (Refer to attached resource list) _____



If so who and have you filed an application with them? _____

Do you currently work with a Housing Advocate? _____ Advocate Name/Organization/Contact#: _____

*Please sign here if you authorize HECH to speak with your Advocate on your behalf:

Date: _____

*If approved where should funds be sent? (Full Name, Account # and Complete Address) _____

I certify that the information I have given in this application is true, complete and correct.

Sign: _____ Date _____

Voluntary Information Requested

The information regarding race, natural origin, sex designation, marital status, disability status and veteran status on this application is requested in order to assure the grant provider, acting through the MA Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development, that Federal Laws prohibiting discrimination against program or tenant applicants on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, age and disability are complied with. While you are not required to furnish this information, you are encouraged to do so.

Ethnic Category: Hispanic or Latino _____ Not Hispanic or Latino _____

Race: White _____ Black/African American _____ Asian _____ Other (Multi-Racial) _____

American Indian/Alaskan Native _____ Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander _____

Sex: Male _____ Female _____ Nonbinary _____

Check if applicable: U.S. Veteran _____ Female Head of Household _____

Elderly (over 60) _____ Disabled _____



RESOURCE LIST

General Assistance:

Hands of Hope Outreach Center- located in West Harwich Massachusetts, is a multi-service outreach center that offers numerous assistance programs that serve the needs of low income families and working poor in the Mid-Cape area. The non-profit has the following services and resources available to qualified individuals. Food Pantry serving low income families from Harwich to Mashpee; financial assistance and cash grants with utility shut-offs, fuel, and rent; clothing for individuals, families and singles; Furniture donations; donations from member churches and the community. Also assists with providing diapers, prescriptions and medications, food stamp applications, and day care information and assistance.

508-394-6361

Lower Cape Outreach Council- similar services to HPC & Hands of Hope for Lower Cape

508-240-0694

Holy Trinity St. Vincent de Paul - local non-profit that provides members of the local community with assistance with paying for utility and heating bills, money for housing expenses including rent and mortgages, medical charges, food and other emergency needs such as car repairs.

508-432-0650 Option 4

St. Vincent dePaul Society - Mashpee - Service offered to the sick and the needy include food pantries, congregate meals/nutrition sites, mortgage payment assistance, home delivered meals, rent payment assistance, electric, heating and gas bill payment assistance, friendly visiting and charities/foundations/funding organizations.

508-477- 7710 Ext: 41

Falmouth Service Center - provides the low income, unemployed and working poor with essential services and resources such as free food from an emergency food pantry; assistance with Food Stamps, fuel and heating assistance (LIHEAP only), and MassHealth applications. Additional services provided include: home food delivery for elderly and infirm Falmouth residents, resource and referral information for Massachusetts and federal government programs, and gently used clothing.

508 548 - 2794

Cape Cod area Catholic Charities - administers social services and emergency assistance for low income and unemployed individuals. Housing resources include emergency rental assistance as well as tenant and foreclosure mediation. Other financial aid may be available. Case workers provide education and employment services for the Barnstable County region. Other resources include meals for seniors, child care, and general counseling.

508-771-6771

The Cape Cod Times Needy Fund provides mortgage payment assistance, a homeless shelter, rent payment assistance, gas, heating, and electric bill payment assistance, transportation expense assistance, prescription expense assistance, and medical bill payment assistance. A holiday gift and meal program is also run.

508-778-5661

Salvation Army – Services range from providing for basic needs like food, clothing, rent and utility assistance to sending children to summer camp. Through partnerships, service units can refer those in need to local community programs that offer shelter, medical and dental assistance, or counseling. Clients also receive seasonal assistance from special back-to-school and Christmas partner programs. Salvation Army Service Units provide individual and emergency services in accordance with local needs and resources available.

508-775-0364



Housing:

Harwich Ecumenical Council for the Homeless (HECH, Inc.) – Affordable rental units, access to housing resources and rental assistance programs, as well as housing rehabilitation programs.

508-432-0015

Housing Assistance Corp (HAC)- Residential Assistance to Families in Transition (RAFT) program: Households with elders, unaccompanied youth, people with disabilities, and other households without minor children may apply for RAFT to help with expenses such as back rent, back utility bills, first month's rent, last month's rent, and security deposits. (508) 771-5400

Community Action Committee of Cape Cod and the Islands - The non-profit organization offers assistance programs for housing issues, holiday assistance, eviction prevention, and general case management and advice.

508- 771-1727

Homeless Prevention Council - is committed to keeping people in home and apartments, and the agency will help those in need find and access available resources, including housing programs, mortgage assistance and funding at government, charities and other social service agencies. Counselors will also help individuals establish a budget, access healthcare and insurance, and will advocate for individuals, including negotiation with landlords, mortgage servicers and banks for rent and mortgage adjustments, as necessary.

508-255-9667

Legal Services:

South Coastal Counties Legal Services

460 W Main St, Hyannis, MA 02601

(508) 775-7020

Non profit providing free civil legal services to low income and elderly people



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