SELECTED RENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Program (Source) (See Notes 1 and 2)	Program abbrev.	Local administrator	Type of assistance (See Note 3)	Income eligibility (See Note 3)	Length of financial rent assistance (See Note 3)	Additional eligibility criteria (See Note 4)
Community Development Block Grant (HUD)	CDBG	Local government	Prevention/Arrears, RRH/Move-in	<80% AMI	Up to 3 months (emergency)	
CARES Act Community Development Block Grant (HUD)	CDBG-CV	Local government	Prevention, RRH/Move-In	<80% AMI	Up to 3 months	
HOME Investments Partnership Program (HUD)	HOME	Local government	Prevention, RRH/Move-in	<80% AMI max but most often <60% AMI	Up to 24 months with TBRA (renewable)	
Emergency Solutions Grant (HUD)	ESG	Local government; Homeless Continuum of Care (CoC), administering State of Florida ESG	RRH, Prevention	None for RRH; <30% AMI for HP	Up to 24 months for HP, RRH	Households experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness
CARES Act Emergency Solutions Grant (HUD)	ESG-CV	Local government; CoCs	RRH, Prevention	None for RRH; <50% AMI for HP	Up to 24 months for HP, RRH	Households experiencing homelessness or at risk of homelessness
Continuum of Care (HUD)	CoC	CoC	RRH, PSH	None	For RRH, up to 24 months; For PSH, as long as eligible and assistance is desired	Households experiencing homelessness
Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HUD)	HOPWA	Local government;	Prevention, RRH/Move-in, PSH	<80% AMI	HP: Up to 21 weeks in a 52-week period through STRMU; RRH: security	Households with a member who has AIDS or is HIV+

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		nonprofit providers			deposit and first month rent through PHP; PSH: ongoing through TBRA, leasing, and PBRA	
CARES Act Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HUD)	HOPWA- CV	Local government; nonprofit providers	Prevention, RRH/Move-in	<80% AMI	Up to 24 months STRMU	Households with a member who has AIDS or is HIV+
Supportive Services for Veteran Families (VA)	SSVF	Nonprofit providers	Prevention, RRH	<50% AMI	For 30-50% AMI, up to 6 months in a 12-month period and up to 10 months in a 2-year period; For <30% AMI, up to 9 months in a 12-month period and 12 months in a 2-year period	Veteran households experiencing or at risk of homelessness
Veterans Administration Supportive Housing (VA and HUD)	HUD- VASH	VA Medical Center and Public Housing Agency	PSH	<50% AMI max but most often <30% AMI	As long as eligible and assistance is desired	Veteran households experiencing homelessness
Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (HHS – State of Florida – Department of Children and Families Office on Homelessness)	TANF	CoC	Prevention	<200% of federal poverty level	Up to 4 months	Households with dependent children in the home
State Housing Initiatives Partnership (State of Florida – Florida Housing Finance Corporation)	SHIP	Local government	(1) Prevention, RRH/Move-in(2) Prevention, RRH/Move-in	(1) <50% AMI (2) <140% AMI	(1) Up to 12 months rent subsidies(2) Up to 6 months arrears or move-in housing costs	(1) Households experiencing homelessness or with special needs(2) None

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State Housing Initiatives	SHIP	Local	Prevention,	<140% AMI	Up to 12 months	
Partnership (State of		government	RRH/Move-in			
Florida – Florida Housing						
Finance Corporation –						
COVID/Disaster Funding						
Challenge Grant (State of	Challenge	CoC	Prevention, RRH		Up to 12 months	Households
Florida – Department of						experiencing or at
Children and Families						risk of homelessness
Office on Homelessness)						

Note 1: In addition to those presented, there are additional programs that can be utilized for rent assistance including, but not limited to, Section 202, Section 811, Section 521, Mainstream Housing Vouchers, Family Unification Program, Youth Homelessness Demonstration Program, Community Services Block Grant, FEMA EFSP, and Housing Choice Vouchers. Further, this table summarizes rent assistance programs only; it does not include assistance for mortgage payments, utilities, and similar expenses.

Note 2: This table offers a very high-level overview; in every case, applicable statutes, regulations, and official guidance should be consulted when designing programs. It should also be noted that there are numerous waivers available to enhance flexibility of the programs and official guidance should be consulted regarding waivers. It is expected that additional COVID-related waivers and guidance will continue to be issued.

Note 3: Abbreviations

- RRH = Rapid ReHousing
- PSH = Permanent Supportive Housing
- TBRA = Tenant-Based Rental Assistance
- PBRA = Project-Based Rental Assistance
- STRMU = Short Term Rent, Mortgage, and Utility
- PHP = Permanent Housing Placement
- AMI = Area Median Income

Note 4: Additional eligibility criteria may be established by the local community, as long as those criteria are not inconsistent with applicable statutes and regulations.

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