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PROPERTY CHARGES, OR UTILITIES BECAUSE OF COVID-19?

The New Hampshire Homeowner Assistance Fund provides assistance to eligible residents who are past due in paying their home mortgage, property taxes, home insurance, association fees, or utilities due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Apply at HomeHelpNH.org













# THE NH HOMEOWNER ASSISTANCE FUND

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# ELIGIBLE HOMEOWNERS

- Must have experienced a COVID-19 pandemic-related reduction in income or increase in expenses that occurred after January 21, 2020 or began prior to but continued after that date.
- Must own and occupy, as their primary residence, the New Hampshire property for which assistance is requested.
- Must have income(s) of equal to or less than 125% of Area Median Income.

# ELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

Must be owner-occupied, or in the case of a land contract or contract for deed, occupied by the documented buyer. Eligible properties include:

- Single-family (attached or detached) properties
- Condominium units
- 1–4 unit properties where one of the units is the homeowner's primary residence
- Manufactured/modular homes permanently affixed to real property and taxed as real estate
- Manufactured homes not permanently affixed to real property but with a Title Certificate or Statement of Ownership in the homeowner's name.

# CONTACTS

# **HomeHelpNH.org**For program details and to apply

### **AHEAD**

(800) 974-1377 x1014 HomesAhead.org

For application assistance, financial counseling, and other resources

# 603 Legal Aid

(603) 224-3333 NHLegalAid.org

For assistance with an immediate threat of foreclosure, tax deed, or sheriff's sale



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# APPLICATION GUIDE & CHECKLIST



# **ELIGIBLITY REQUIREMENTS**

- You own and occupy, as your primary residence, the property for which you
  require assistance.
- You experienced a coronavirus pandemic-related reduction in income or increase in expenses.
- Your income is equal to or less than 125% of Area Median Income.
   (This will be reviewed with you during the application process.)
- You have past-due expenses associated with your primary residence, such as:
  - Mortgage payments
  - Property taxes
  - Homeowner insurance, flood insurance, mortgage insurance premiums
  - Homeowner association and condominium fees
  - Utility or internet payments

# NO REPAYMENT TERMS

- If you receive less than \$5,000 in assistance, these funds will be provided as a non-recourse grant with no repayment necessary.
- If you receive assistance equal to or greater than \$5,000, funds will be
  provided as a two-year, forgivable grant that requires a recorded Promise to
  Pay and Mortgage. Repayment in full will be required if the property is sold
  or refinanced within two years. The Promise to Pay and Mortgage will be
  automatically released by the NH Homeowner Assistance Fund two years
  from the date of assistance.

### LOSS MITIGATION

- If you apply for assistance with past-due mortgage payments, completing loss mitigation will be required. Loss mitigation is a request for mortgage assistance that includes information required by your servicer for evaluating the request. Exceptions can be requested when:
  - A servicer has not been timely/responsive with loss mitigation review; or
  - There is an urgent threat of foreclosure, making loss mitigation unlikely; or
  - There are circumstances that prevent the completion of loss mitigation.
- Contact AHEAD for assistance with loss mitigation: 800-974-1377 ext. 1014

# NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS

- Apply for all delinquent housing-related expenses in your first application, as there is a 6-month waiting period before a new application can be submitted.
- New applications may include expenses incurred since the previous application.

### APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Social Security card
Contact information of the Authorized Representative helping with your application
Most recent federal tax return
Deed to property
Mortgage information (if applicable)
Proof of income for the most recent four weeks or from the timeframe of your hardship. Proof of Public Assistance may be used as proof of eligibility.  Proof of all needed assistance:
Copies of recent mortgage statement(s)
Most recent property tax bill
Most recent insurance bill
Most recent homeowner or condominium association bill
Most recent utility/internet bill
A copy of the loss mitigation determination letter from your servicer (if available)

