

Contribute**American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 SEC. 3201. EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE.**

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I have clipped the sections of rental assistance that will match your states housing assistance agencies. Your state will have a HUD program which will process your claim. If you were unemployed for the year 2020 you will qualify in nearly all cases.

Subtitle B—Housing Provisions

SEC. 3201. EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE.

(d) Use Of Funds.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—An eligible grantee shall only use the funds provided from payments made under this section as follows:

(A) FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.—

(i) IN GENERAL.—Subject to clause (ii) of this subparagraph, funds received by an eligible grantee from payments made under this section shall be used to provide financial assistance to eligible households, not to exceed 18 months, including the payment of—

(I) rent

(II) rental arrears

(III) utilities and home energy costs

(IV) utilities and home energy costs arrears and

(V) other expenses related to housing, as defined by the Secretary.

(2) ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLD.—The term “eligible household” means a household of 1 or more individuals who are obligated to pay rent on a residential dwelling and with respect to which the eligible grantee involved determines that—

(A) 1 or more individuals within the household has—

(i) qualified for unemployment benefits or

(ii) experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship during or due, directly or indirectly, to the coronavirus pandemic

(B) 1 or more individuals within the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability and

(C) the household is a low-income family (as such term is defined in section 3(b) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 ([42 U.S.C. 1437a\(b\)](#))).

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