

RENT & MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Service: Rent and mortgage payment assistance provides one month's financial assistance to income-eligible households. Funds are subject to availability and additional program guidelines may apply depending on funding source.

Eligibility: The City participates in two rent/mortgage assistance programs for people at risk of homelessness: Emergency Food and Shelter Program (EFSP) and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG):

EFSP—The program is open to any resident of Miami-Dade County with a valid 3- or 5-day Notice of Eviction.

CDBG—The program is open only to low- and moderate-income households residing in Miami Beach with a valid 3- or 5-day Notice of Eviction.

Required Documentation for Application: documentation varies by program.

Emergency Food & Shelter Program (EFSP)

- ☐ Valid Government-issued identification
- ☐ Original Social Security cards for all household members
- ☐ Household proof of income
- ☐ Household expenses
- ☐ Bank statements for past 90 days
- ☐ Current lease (unless month to month)
- ☐ 3- or 5-day Notice of Eviction
- ☐ Landlord completed W-9 Form
- ☐ You can only apply for EFSP funds once in the past 12 months from any of its countywide affiliated agencies.
- ☐ The application for assistance must be approved by the EFSP Clearinghouse.

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)

- ☐ Valid Government-issued identification
- ☐ Original Social Security cards for all household members
- ☐ Household proof of income
- ☐ Household expenses
- ☐ Bank statements for past 90 days
- ☐ Current lease (unless month to month)
- ☐ 3- or 5-day Notice of Eviction
- ☐ Landlord completed W-9 Form
- ☐ You must demonstrate the ability to eliminate all rent/mortgage arrears as a condition of program approval.
- ☐ Rent arrears must have been the cause of an unexpected event.
- ☐ You can only apply once in the past 12 months with approval from the City.

Approval Process: Once a completed application and supporting documentation is submitted:

EFSP

1. The Department Director reviews for compliance.
2. The application is then forwarded to the Clearinghouse.
3. If Clearinghouse approves, the authorization to release payment to the landlord is issued and check is mailed.

CDBG

The Department Director reviews for compliance and authorizes release of payment to landlord. Payment is made by check mailed to the landlord.