

ELIGIBILITY

Harris County has established the Harris County COVID-19 Relief Fund to provide much-needed relief to Harris County residents most impacted by the global pandemic.

The Fund is open to all eligible low-income Harris County residents, including those excluded by the CARES Act or immigrant households, and people who may receive Pandemic Unemployment Assistance but cannot afford to wait for months. The application will be open to the public on **Tuesday, June 23** and **Wednesday, June 24, 2020**.

Eligibility guidelines for the fund include those who have experienced adverse economic impact(s) related to COVID-19, AND are:

- Households below 60% of the Area Median Income (AMI), or are accessing public benefits that already confirm they are very low-income; or
 - *Survivors of domestic violence, or*
 - *Survivors of human trafficking, or*
 - *Youth aged out of foster care, or*
 - *Those in homeless shelters.*
- Applicants cannot have received benefits from any City of Houston or other Harris County program administered for the same purpose.
- Prioritized consideration for:
 - *Applicants ineligible for unemployment insurance, or those that have applied and it will take too long to receive assistance to meet basic needs.*
 - *Applicants ineligible for CARES Economic Impact Payments, or those that have not yet received a payment and cannot wait for the assistance to meet basic needs.*

**Area Median Income* (AMI),
Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land
Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA), 2020**

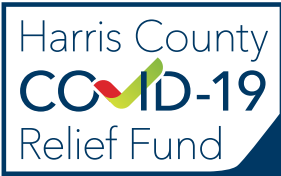
HOUSEHOLD SIZE	60% AMI
1	\$33,113
2	\$37,838
3	\$42,563
4	\$47,288
5	\$51,075
6	\$54,863
7	\$58,650
8	\$62,438

*AMI is for the Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land MSA in 2020 as defined by HUD and reported by City of Houston Housing and Community Development, retrieved from <https://houston.tx.gov/housing/flyers/AMI-2020-04222020.pdf>



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RESIDENT APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY & DOCUMENTATION

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENT	ACCEPTED DOCUMENTS
<p>Qualifying Applicant must be a resident of Harris County, Texas</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Valid Texas driver's license or identification card with name and Harris County address (ex. Matricula Consular, etc.) OR: Valid Identification card without address (school ID, nonprofit membership ID, US visa, work permit, green card, foreign government issued ID, work ID, Office of Refugee Resettlement ID, etc.) AND current utility bill with name and address OR: phone bill (cell phone or landline) OR: postmarked mail with name and current address addressed to you (ex. bank, County/City mail, etc.)
<p>Qualifying Applicant's total household income before March 11, 2020, must be below 60% of AMI or qualify for one or more federal public assistance programs (Households with active cases of domestic violence survivors, homeless individuals living in shelters, and youth who have aged out of foster care do not have to meet the financial criteria in this Subsection)</p>	<p>Proof of public benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SSI/SSDI/Disability/Unemployment monthly award letters(s) (most recent month) OR: SSA-1099, TANF, SNAP, Gold Card, NSLP (other, ex., WIC, CHIP, etc.) OR: Income documentation to be collected from every adult in household: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Wages (preferred) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Copy of 2018 or 2019 tax return OR: Most recent W-2(s) OR: Monthly Wages (can be provided to verify eligibility) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) month pay stubs prior to March 11, 2020 but not before December 1, 2019 Most recent 1099(s) (every job, if applicable) Profit & Loss ledger Declaration of income statement Stipend(s), alimony, pension/retirement/annuity monthly award letter(s) Letter from employer
<p>Qualifying Applicant's household has experienced adverse economic impact related to COVID-19; and</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self certification form (<i>service providers reserve the right to ask for documentation of filed unemployment application, letter of termination or furlough from employer or contact info</i>)
<p>Qualifying Applicant has not received assistance from a the City of Houston BakerRipley Rental Assistance program</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Self certification



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