

CARBONDALE HOUSING AUTHORITY
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CARBONDALE, PA 18407

Information for Residents

September 1, 2022

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has published an Interim Final Rule providing for additional time for non-payment of rent due when Federal funding is available to assist tenants with nonpayment of rent and tenants facing eviction for nonpayment of rent in public housing. **This specifically applies only during emergencies such as the current COVID-19 pandemic or a Presidential declaration of a national emergency.**

The U.S. Department of Treasury's Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program makes funding available to assist households that are unable to pay rent or utilities. The funds were provided directly to states and local governments. These states and local government use the funds to assist eligible households through existing or newly created rental assistance programs.

In later guidance, the Department of Treasury advised that participants in HUD-assisted rental programs are eligible for the ERA program and may receive assistance for the tenant-owned portion of rent or utilities that is not subsidized. In subsequent guidance, HUD clarified that this assistance can include rent arrearages and utilities owed over the utility allowance.

To learn more about how to apply for ERA funding go to:

<https://www.lackawanna-erap.com/>

PROGRAM NAME: Lackawanna County Emergency Rental Assistance
(Administered by Lackawanna County)

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/ERAP/Pages/ERAP.aspx>

PROGRAM NAME: Pennsylvania Emergency Rental Assistance Program
(Administered by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania)

Leases may not be terminated ***due to nonpayment of rent*** until at least 30 days have passed after a tenant receives the Notice of Termination from the Housing Authority.

This 30-day period for notices of Lease Terminations for *nonpayment of rent applies only during emergencies such as the current COVID-19 pandemic or a Presidential declaration of a national emergency.*