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Rental Assistance Program

Purpose

The Rental Assistance Program is designed to provide limited assistance to persons in the Town of Mammoth Lakes and the County of Mono who are experiencing financial hardship and are unable to pay all or a portion of their monthly rent due to the COVID-19 public health emergency. This program has limited funding and may be discontinued at any time or upon the expenditure of all available funds. The program may be used in conjunction with any other state, county, local, or non-profit funding source. Program applications will be taken on a first come basis. Decisions on any application shall be final, and the terms of this program may be amended, or the program itself eliminated, at any time without notice. Eligible applicants will have the grant paid to the landlord, directly benefitting the tenant and the landlord.

Eligibility

1. Applicant's current home is their only residence.
2. The rented home must be located within the Town of Mammoth Lakes or the unincorporated area of Mono County.
3. The household must demonstrate a financial hardship as the result of COVID-19. Examples of impact by COVID-19 include but are not limited to:
 - a. Job loss, furlough or layoff
 - b. Reduction in hours of work or pay
 - c. Store, restaurant or office closure
 - d. The need to miss work to care for a home-bound, school age child or elderly person
 - e. Illness
4. The grant will be calculated based on the amount of rent owed and the tenant's ability to pay a portion of the past due rent.
5. Applicants will be required to list the amount of their rent and the amount they believe they can pay.
6. Applicant had no outstanding rent as of March 31, 2020.
7. Applicant has demonstrated proof of working in the region (Mono County) for a minimum of three months prior to March 19, 2020.

Rental Assistance

- The maximum amount of rental assistance will not exceed \$500.00, or the outstanding amount of rent due, whichever is less. The amount provided may be reduced based on the applicant's ability to pay rent without assistance.
- No applicant may apply more than four times for assistance, i.e. assistance will not be provided for more than four months of rent.
- Rental assistance payment is per lease agreement or unit.

The Town of Mammoth Lakes and County of Mono are equal opportunity providers of services and programs and will not discriminate against any applicant on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy, disability, age, medical condition, ancestry, marital status, citizenship, sexual orientation, or status as a Vietnam-era veteran or special disabled veteran.

The Program guidelines above may be changed through the mutual agreement of MLH, Town of Mammoth Lakes, and County of Mono.