



# ST. CLAIR COUNTY BOARD CHAIRMAN MARK KERN

## Announces the Availability of \$7.7 Million in Emergency Rental Assistance for St. Clair County Residents

St. Clair County Board Chairman Mark Kern is excited to announce that coming in April, St. Clair County will partner with the Illinois Housing Development Authority to launch the Illinois Rental Payment Program ("ILRPP"), providing \$7.7 million in emergency rental assistance to St. Clair County households that are unable to pay rent due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### HOW MUCH ASSISTANCE CAN I GET?

Eligible households may receive up to 15 months of assistance from May 2020 through July 2021. Priority will be given to applicants with: A member of the household currently unemployed & households at-or-below 50% of the Area Median Income.

### WHO CAN APPLY?

Landlords/Property Managers will apply on behalf of tenants. Landlords and Tenants will both need a valid email address and will be required to work together to complete the application.

### WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS?

Household is at-or-below 80% of the Area Median Income, adjusted for family size.

| Household of 1 | Household of 2 | Household of 3 | Household of 4 |
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| \$46,450       | \$53,050       | \$59,700       | \$66,300       |

Household must have experienced a financial hardship directly or indirectly due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Must be at least 30 days in arrears.

### WHAT CAN I DO RIGHT NOW?

While the Rental Payment Program is not currently accepting applications you should begin assembling the documentation that the federal government requires to make sure you are eligible for the program. If you take time now to assemble these documents, you will be ready to get your application processed quickly.

#### Landlord/Property Manager:

- Copy of 2019 Property Tax Bill or 2021 monthly mortgage statement
- Grant payment information for check distribution
- SSN or ITIN
- Employer Identification Number (EIN)
- Rental unit information (documentation detailing past due rent by month)
- Fully executed rental lease (if available)
- Fully executed property management agreement (if property manager will handle receipt and application of the tenant's grant funds)
- Consent to program terms
- Valid e-mail address

#### Tenants:

- Tenant & household information
- Photo I.D.
- Proof of address
- Proof of income (2020 tax return, 2020 W-2 form, paystubs)
- Rent details and amount past due
- Proof of income, employment, and public assistance (if applicable)
- Valid e-mail address

The full application is not available at this time. To receive notification as soon as the application goes live, send your name and email address to [igd@co.st-clair.il.us](mailto:igd@co.st-clair.il.us).

Community partners will be available to help both Housing Providers and Tenants during this process.

Information will be posted on the St. Clair County website [www.co.st-clair.il.us](http://www.co.st-clair.il.us) and on the Grants Departments Facebook page [www.facebook.com/StClairCountyIGD](https://www.facebook.com/StClairCountyIGD) as it becomes available.