



# Eviction Protection Declaration

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has issued an order that may protect you from being evicted or removed from where you are living. **This means that you may be able to stay at the place where you live through MONTH, DAY, YEAR, if you qualify.**

## How to use this form

1. See if you qualify for eviction protection under the CDC order. If you'd like help from an expert, contact the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) at (800) 569-4287 or go to <https://www.hudexchange.info/programs/housing-counseling/rental-eviction/> to get contact information for a local housing counselor.
2. Sign the declaration that you qualify, on the next page.
3. Give the signed declaration page to the individual or company you rent from (for example, building management, landlord, etc.). Keep a picture or copy for your records and call your expert back if there's a problem.

If your landlord violates the CDC order, they could be subject to criminal penalties, including fines or a term of imprisonment.

## 1. Do I qualify?

If you can check at least one box in each column, you qualify.

Column A	AND	Column B
<input type="checkbox"/> I received a stimulus check (Economic Impact Payment) in 2020 or 2021		I cannot pay my full rent or make a full housing payment because:
<input type="checkbox"/> I was not required to report any income to the IRS in 2020		<input type="checkbox"/> My household income has gone down substantially
<input type="checkbox"/> I am receiving <b>any</b> of the following benefits:		<input type="checkbox"/> I have been laid off from work
• Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)		<input type="checkbox"/> My work hours or wages have been cut
• Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)		<input type="checkbox"/> I have extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses <sup>1</sup>
• Supplemental Security Income (SSI)		None of the above → <b>You do not qualify</b>
• Supplemental Security Disability Income (SSDI)		
<input type="checkbox"/> In 2020 or 2021, I earned (or expect to earn) <b>less than \$99,000</b> as an individual or <b>less than \$198,000</b> as a joint filer		
None of the above → <b>You do not qualify</b>		

**You checked at least one item in each column? Your income level qualifies.  
[Check the first box on the next page]**

<sup>1</sup> Defined as 7.5% or more of my adjusted gross income for the year



### Troubleshooting tools for tenants

#### Find emergency rental financial assistance

Call (800) 569-4287 to find a listing for local HUD-approved housing counselors

#### Report problems with debt collection

Submit a complaint to CFPB [cfpb.gov/complaint](http://cfpb.gov/complaint)

#### Report discrimination

Submit a complaint. Call HUD at (800) 669-

## 2. My Declaration that I qualify

By checking the boxes below, I declare that each statement is true.

- My income level qualifies for the reasons explained above.
- I live in a U.S. county experiencing substantial or high <sup>2</sup> rates of community transmission levels of SARS-CoV-2.
- I have done my best to make timely partial payments that are as close as possible to the full payment and to get government assistance in making my rent or housing payments.<sup>3</sup>
- If I were evicted, I have no other available housing options, so I would:
  - Probably become homeless, **or**
  - Have to move to a homeless shelter, **or**
  - Have to move in with others who live in close quarters.
- I understand that after I sign:
  - Unless I come to an agreement with my landlord, I am still responsible for rent, back rent, and any fees, penalties or interest under my lease.
  - I must still follow the conditions of my lease.
  - Unless I come to an agreement with my landlord, if I fail to make my required payments, I could be evicted when this temporary halt of evictions ends.
  - I can still be evicted for reasons other than not paying rent or not making a housing payment.

*I sign this declaration<sup>4</sup> under penalty of perjury. That means I promise that the statements above are the truth and that I understand that I can be criminally punished for lying.*

3.

You sign here: <b>X</b> _____ Date: _____
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**Give this signed page to the individual or company you rent from.**

**ATTN LANDLORDS:** Thank you for your compliance. If you violate the CDC’s Eviction Order, you and/or your business may be subject to criminal penalties, including fines and a term of imprisonment.

<sup>2</sup> See COVID-19 Integrated County View: <https://covid.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/#county-view/>

<sup>3</sup> Calling a local expert is the best way to figure out all the help that is available to you. Find a listing for a local HUD-approved housing counselor by calling (800) 569-4287.

<sup>4</sup> If you have already signed an eviction moratorium declaration, you do not need to submit another one.