To determine eligibility, contact the organization in the county/city in which you live:

Albemarle County or City of Charlottesville
Contact: United Way of Greater Charlottesville
• (434)-326-0950

Fluvanna, Louisa, or Greene County
Contact: Monticello Area Community Action Agency
• Fluvanna: (434)-842-2521
• Louisa: (540)-967-9522
• Greene: (434)-260-9956

Nelson County
Contact: Nelson County Community Development Foundation
• (434)-263-8074

Applications will be accepted beginning July 15, 2020

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Required Documentation

OVERALL REQUIREMENTS:
- Valid lease or mortgage statement or other documentation confirming the landlord-tenant relationship
- Proof of income (pay stubs, bank statements, letter from employer, social security documents, pension)
- Virginia RMRP Household Eligibility Certification

RENT RELIEF REQUIREMENTS:
- Landlord affidavit (includes a W-9 IRS form) stating the tenant is past due in rent & detailing the total rent amount owed including any late fees
- RMRP Landlord & Renter Household Agreement
- Valid lease in the tenant’s name with a landlord that is in compliance with the tenant/landlord laws.

MORTGAGE RELIEF REQUIREMENTS:
- Documentation that the household has been deemed ineligible or been denied forbearance from their lending institution.
- W-9 IRS form from lending institution.
- Mortgage statement in the homeowner’s name.

Program Updates

- RMRP funds can cover 100% of rent/mortgage payments in arrears (April to present).
- RMRP funds can cover 100% of the current month’s rent/mortgage.
- RMRP funds can cover rent/mortgage through December 2020 (with valid lease/mortgage).
- RMRP funds can be used by tenants in public housing or with Section 8 vouchers (arrears only).
- Landlords can apply on behalf of their tenants through Virginia Housing.

Rent & Mortgage Relief

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Guidelines for rent and mortgage assistance starting from April 1, 2020:

- RMRP financial assistance will pay for 100% of the current* month’s mortgage or rent (plus associated fees) and 100% of past due mortgage or rent (plus associated fees) from April 1, 2020 to present.
- If a tenant owes past due rent prior to April 1, 2020, the landlord must work with the tenant to develop an appropriate payment plan. If a tenant cannot adhere to the conditions within the payment plan, the tenant or landlord may return to the Rent and Mortgage Relief Program to apply for further assistance, provided the tenant remains eligible and funds are still available.
- If the tenant or landlord returns to the Rent and Mortgage Relief Program for assistance with payment plans, they can also apply for the current* month’s rent.
- If a household returns for additional RMRP assistance, current income must be re-verified and the RMRP Landlord and Renter Household agreement updated.
- To receive this financial assistance, the landlord must agree not to evict the renter for non-payment of rent associated with any of the months for which the rent relief payment is made.

*The current month is determined based on the date in which the application and all documentation has been verified by the grantee. If verified after the 15th day of the month, RMRP funds may also be used for the upcoming month’s rent.

Eligibility Requirements

Have a valid lease or mortgage statement in your name or other documentation confirming a landlord-tenant relationship;
- Have experienced a loss of income due to the Coronavirus pandemic;
- Have a rent or mortgage amount that is at or below 150 percent Fair Market Rent (FMR); &
- Have a gross household income at or below 80 percent Area Medium Income (AMI) (based on current month’s income).

For more information, please visit: http://tjpdc.org/rent-and-mortgage-relief-program-rmrp/