The Kansas Emergency Rental Assistance (KERA) program may be able to help.

The KERA program, established through the federal Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 with continued funding through the American Rescue Plan Act, is administered by Kansas Housing Resources Corporation (KHRC) and provides rent and utility assistance to households that have experienced financial hardship during the COVID pandemic.

WHAT DOES ASSISTANCE COVER?

+ Up to 18 months of past due or prospective household rent.
+ Past due residential utility or home energy expenses including electric, gas, water, sewer, or trash services.
+ Up to $900 in past-due or future internet assistance.

Note: All expenses must have been billed or charged April 1, 2020 or later.
UNLOCKING HOME

YOU MAY QUALIFY FOR THIS PROGRAM IF YOU MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

+ You rent your home.
+ Your 2021 income did not exceed 80 percent of your area’s median income.
+ At least one member of your household has experienced financial hardship during the pandemic.
+ At least one member of your household is uncertain where they will stay without assistance.
+ You can provide valid proof of identification.

Applicants must not have received assistance from other sources for the same costs and time period for which they are requesting KERA assistance.

HOW TO APPLY:

1. Landlord and tenant complete separate online certifications.
2. Landlord and tenant are notified when application is processed.
3. If approved, landlord and/or service provider(s) receive funds directly from KHRC.
4. Landlord and/or service providers(s) apply assistance to tenant’s account.

LEARN MORE AND APPLY ONLINE
kshousingcorp.org/emergency-rental-assistance/

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