
FACT SHEET: 2021 ERAP

What is ERAP?

- ERAP stands for Emergency Rental Assistance Program, a federally funded program by the U.S. Department of the Treasury to help tenants and landlords by paying past due rent and utilities (water, gas and electric).

How much was awarded to the City of Tulsa?

The City of Tulsa received \$12 million.

Who are our partners and why?

Restore Hope Ministries is the nonprofit selected to administer the \$12 million. Restore Hope has led rental assistance aid since May 2020 in Tulsa County through Tulsa Area COVID-19 Response Fund, federal CARES Act funds from the State of Oklahoma and many other donations. The nonprofit has provided more than \$3.9 million in rent and bill payments for 1,600 families. Restore Hope has more than 45 years' experience in homeless prevention. Tulsa County also received federal funding of \$7 million, which will also be administered by Restore Hope.

What is ERAP supposed to accomplish?

ERAP will provide relief to families impacted directly and indirectly by the COVID-19 pandemic and those who might face eviction. The goal is to help alleviate a financial burden for both tenants and landlords and help keep families in their homes.

Why do Tulsans need this assistance?

Tulsa County has the 11th highest eviction rate in the United States, and the situation has only grown worse as the pandemic has devastated many families' economic situations. With many residents losing their jobs and their wages, it has impacted their ability to pay rent and utilities, so this assistance is crucial to their livelihoods. Due to lost rental income, landlords have struggled to pay their bills and mortgages. Through the ERAP program, tenants and landlords will receive much needed relief to ensure stable rental housing in Tulsa.

Who is eligible to apply?

- City of Tulsa and Tulsa County residents over 18.
- Must meet household income requirements set by federal guidelines (at or below 80 percent of the Area Median Income, AMI) - see PAGE 2
- Experiencing difficulty with housing
- Experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, experienced a financial hardship due to COVID-19, or qualifies for unemployment benefits since March 13, 2020

Ways to apply

- **Online:** <https://erap.restorehope.org>
- **By Phone:** 918-528-9008
- **In Person:** Future pop-up events with community partners

Tulsa County Income Limits

(80% Area Median Income, AMI)

Number of People in Household	Household income equal to or less than the following:
1	\$38,450
2	\$43,950
3	\$49,450
4	\$54,900
5	\$59,300
6	\$63,700
7	\$68,100
8	\$72,500

Figures from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development