

# Expansion of COVID-19 Related Rent Assistance

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## DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

In an effort to assist Greenwich residents in remaining safely housed, the Board of Human Services voted to temporarily increase the Greenwich Department of Human Services (GDHS) eligibility for rent assistance funds. GDHS' annual income eligibility for rent assistance was formerly 300% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL), e.g., \$83,250 for a family of four, with no more than \$3,000 in assets.

## WHO IS ELIGIBLE NOW?

For residents who have been impacted by COVID-19, the income eligibility will increase to 80% of the HUD Median Family Income, e.g., \$91,300 for a family of four. The asset limit will remain the same. GDHS will use the funds awarded to the Department from the Community Development Block Grant - Coronavirus funding for this initiative. The eligibility increase is within HUD guidelines and allows GDHS to assist more families.

## PROGRAM TIMEFRAME

GDHS currently has approximately \$71,000 available from its CDBG-CV funds for rent assistance. Once these funds are exhausted, the rent assistance income eligibility will return to 300% of the FPL.

### Household (HH) Eligibility

No. in HH	Annual Income Limit
1	\$63,950
2	\$73,050
3	\$82,200
4	\$91,300
5	\$98,650
6	\$105,950
7	\$113,250
8	\$120,550

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