pennsylvania
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ERAP)

APPLICATION MATERIALS

TO APPLY FOR ERAP, CLIENTS MUST PROVIDE BASIC INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION TO VERIFY IDENTITY AND ELIGIBILITY.

Basic Information

- Basic information such as name, address, contact information, and the number of people in their household

- Landlord or property manager's name and contact information

- Utility provider's information and your account numbers

- Income information for the applicant and anyone else in the household who has an income. They should know the source(s) of that income, such as wages from a job, unemployment, pensions, Social Security/SSI, etc.

- Monthly household expenses and how much is owed, if they have arrears

Supporting Documents

Clients must prepared to show a few documents to verify eligibility, including:

- Proof of identity

- Lease agreement

- Proof of lost employment or income such as an unemployment qualification or benefits or pay statements

- Proof of income for anyone in the household over age 18. This can include paystubs, W-2s, tax filings, unemployment qualification or benefits, etc.

- Proof of monthly rent or arrears owed

- Proof of utility costs or arrears owed

- Proof of other housing costs incurred during the COVID-19 pandemic

Photocopies, digital photographs of documents, and emails or attestations from an employer, landlord, or utility provider are accepted. If applying through COMPASS, these documents can be uploaded directly with the application.
If documents are not available, your county ERAP office can work with you sign a written statement.