



EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ERAP) Monthly REPORT

Department of Human Services

July 2021

Background

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is pleased to submit this report, as required by Act 2021-1, Article I-D of the Fiscal Code, 72 P.S. §103-D (a)(7.1) and (8):

Powers and duties.--The department shall have the power and duty to: prepare a monthly consolidated report with information from all counties submitted under section 104-D(4) and shall submit the report on a monthly basis to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives. The report shall also be posted and maintained on the department's publicly accessible Internet website.

The report shall include the following information:

- (i) The total amount of funds received by a county.
- (ii) The total amount of funds spent by a county for services under section 102-D(a).
- (iii) The total amount of excess funding or shortfall identified by a county as of September 20, 2022.
- (iv) The total number of households that applied for assistance.
- (v) The total number of households that received assistance.
- (vi) The total amount of funding sought by services under section 102-D(a).
- (vii) The total amount of assistance provided by services under section 102-D(a).
- (viii) An itemization of all expenditures for administrative costs.

Act 1 of 2021 authorized DHS to implement the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP). The federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021, (Pub. L. 116-260) allocated \$569,807,659.70 directly to Pennsylvania to assist those affected by COVID-19 by providing funding for certain past, current and future rental and utility expenses. Of that allocation, the Pennsylvania General Assembly appropriated \$5,698,076.60 to be used by DHS for administrative costs. Funding was allocated to all counties based on percentage of population minus any direct federal allocation per Section 102-D(c) of the Act. (See Table 2 for allocations and expended/remaining funds as of July 31, 2021). A maximum of five percent of each county's allocated funds may be used for administration of the ERAP program. Eighteen counties and one city received a separate allocation directly from the United States Treasury in addition to the funding allocated to them in accordance with Act 1 of 2021.

DHS officially launched ERAP on March 15, 2021, though not all counties were operational on that date. All counties, however, were operational and accepting applications as of March 29, 2021. (See Table 1 for application data).

Definitions

DHS uses the following definitions in this report:

- Rental Assistance - includes assistance for rent arrears, current rent, future rent, and utilities included as a part of the rent payment per the rental agreement.
- Utility Assistance - includes payment for utilities, utility arrearages and future utility payments not included as a part of the rent.
- Other Expenses Related to Housing - includes but is not limited to assistance with relocation expenses, rental fees, reasonable late fees, internet for work or home schooling (at county option).
- Housing Stability Services - services provided to coordinate the activities necessary for the client to obtain or retain housing including but not limited to case management and other services intended to keep households stably housed

NOTE: This report reflects emergency rental assistance as implemented with funds allocated per Act 1 of 2021 and does not include expenditures of funds received by local municipalities directly from the United States Treasury.

All figures below reflect self-reported data by the county as of July 31, 2021 and may reflect the county made corrections for previous months.

APPLICATIONS July 1 – July 31, 2021

Number of applications pending at beginning of July:	44,063*
Total number of households that applied for assistance:	15,803*
Total number of households that received assistance:	10,223*
Total number of households denied assistance:	1,737*
Total number of applications pending at end of July:	47,906*

FISCAL July 1 – July 31, 2021

Total state funds allocated:	\$ 564,109,583.10
Total state funds remaining as of June 30, 2021	\$ 459,586,633.83
Emergency Rental Assistance paid or obligated during July:	\$ 42,969,443.96
Rental Assistance	\$ 37,122,344.39
Utility Assistance	\$ 5,703,435.67
Other Expenses Related to Housing	\$ 143,663.90
Housing Stability Services paid or obligated during July:	\$ 137,774.93
County administrative costs paid or obligated during July:	\$ 1,922,612.16
Personnel	\$ 1,113,147.27
Operating	\$ 282,413.28
Purchased Services	\$ 527,051.61
Total amount paid or obligated during July:	\$ 45,029,831.05
Total amount of funds remaining (YTD):	\$ 414,556,802.78

**These numbers include applications reported by counties that received a direct allocation from the U.S. Treasury but did not expend any DHS allocated funds.*

TABLE 1 APPLICATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES JULY 1 - 31, 2021

County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Adams	118	103	12	15
Allegheny	859	1039	5	4557
Armstrong	46	61	32	32
Beaver	291	414	20	314
Bedford	35	24	12	23
Berks	219	219	0	0
Blair	201	72	1	870
Bradford	64	45	5	81
Bucks	40	22	2	39
Butler	222	134	38	154
Cambria	163	31	35	498
Cameron	11	10	1	12
Carbon	43	43	2	10
Centre	182	138	44	869
Chester	0	0	0	0
Clarion	76	59	31	191
Clearfield	254	148	43	63
Clinton	58	22	11	120
Columbia	98	60	40	169
Crawford	98	84	1	28
Cumberland	97	12	20	178
Dauphin	282	192	7	1244
Delaware	1057	633	151	2692
Elk	25	24	7	53
Erie	378	459	37	260
Fayette	252	73	102	499
Forest	2	1	3	3
Franklin	204	181	10	46
Fulton	23	15	2	16
Greene	34	12	18	59
Huntingdon	72	21	13	90
Indiana	66	23	29	250
Jefferson	73	27	36	68
Juniata	9	5	5	4
Lackawanna	215	110	7	329
Lancaster	0	0	0	0
Lawrence	93	61	33	198
Lebanon	81	59	22	4

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County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Lehigh	0	0	0	0
Luzerne	0	0	0	0
Lycoming	165	156	5	501
McKean	69	39	22	13
Mercer	220	189	22	37
Mifflin	35	29	22	8
Monroe	141	314	98	372
Montgomery	18	12	1	40
Montour	20	15	6	16
Northampton	188	157	4	111
Northumberland	196	124	60	204
Perry	26	24	2	0
Philadelphia	7912	4027	421	31740
Pike	42	16	5	34
Potter	6	6	0	5
Schuylkill	138	111	15	131
Snyder	16	23	0	21
Somerset	99	63	15	159
Sullivan	6	3	0	5
Susquehanna	29	13	9	54
Tioga	52	8	21	77
Union	21	26	0	6
Venango	60	35	29	35
Warren	53	38	19	21
Washington	0	0	0	0
Wayne	41	16	36	15
Westmoreland	200	136	88	235
Wyoming	9	7	0	28
York	0	0	0	0
State Total	15803	10223	1737	47906

**Shaded counties did not report any DHS allocated funds expended in the current month. Some of these counties provided the number of applications received, approved, denied, and pending. The application counts are reflected in the numbers on page 3.*

TABLE 2 COUNTY ALLOCATIONS AND EXPENDED FUNDS AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES JULY 31, 2021

County	Amount of Direct Federal Allocation Received	DHS Allocation	DHS funds Expended July 1 - 31	DHS funds Remaining YTD
Adams	\$0	\$6,774,933.20	\$377,743.48	\$4,945,684.39
Allegheny	\$36,234,405.90	\$43,745,242.84	\$5,765,959.00	\$34,193,560.61
Armstrong	\$0	\$4,257,640.60	\$292,881.85	\$3,430,809.33
Beaver	\$0	\$10,781,660.09	\$2,979,248.61	\$5,330,732.45
Bedford	\$0	\$3,149,608.30	\$58,635.77	\$2,739,324.86
Berks	\$12,549,393.60	\$15,150,690.51	\$2,597,918.60	\$5,341,628.15
Blair	\$0	\$8,012,730.31	\$441,301.64	\$6,475,658.49
Bradford	\$0	\$3,967,462.02	\$230,797.20	\$3,285,055.94
Bucks	\$18,720,516.20	\$22,600,992.39	\$169,420.91	\$22,431,571.48
Butler	\$0	\$12,355,148.83	\$593,714.36	\$10,546,454.58
Cambria	\$0	\$8,562,767.36	\$145,431.56	\$7,974,733.65
Cameron	\$0	\$292,480.54	\$32,031.13	\$175,562.56
Carbon	\$0	\$4,221,269.62	\$175,327.36	\$3,251,813.97
Centre	\$0	\$10,680,110.74	\$704,425.55	\$8,716,613.74
Chester	\$15,643,059.70	\$18,885,626.18	\$0.00	\$18,885,626.18
Clarion	\$0	\$2,528,078.93	\$280,958.36	\$1,810,943.08
Clearfield	\$0	\$5,212,625.41	\$493,521.29	\$3,178,261.38
Clinton	\$0	\$2,540,838.37	\$106,220.46	\$2,043,028.91
Columbia	\$0	\$4,272,702.00	\$299,196.28	\$3,529,278.44
Crawford	\$0	\$5,566,075.02	\$427,683.39	\$3,517,186.47
Cumberland	\$7,549,647.80	\$9,114,574.00	\$56,614.50	\$8,856,165.69
Dauphin	\$8,292,455.40	\$10,011,354.30	\$1,171,859.31	\$8,312,599.03
Delaware	\$16,887,319.80	\$20,387,802.41	\$4,543,495.02	\$5,995,857.91
Elk	\$0	\$1,967,189.78	\$106,117.89	\$1,633,112.61
Erie	\$8,037,065.90	\$9,703,026.53	\$2,350,311.57	\$4,642,576.21
Fayette	\$0	\$8,502,390.22	\$530,681.15	\$6,857,743.28
Forest	\$0	\$476,637.39	\$3,397.54	\$437,382.53
Franklin	\$0	\$10,196,172.84	\$668,606.24	\$6,858,416.62
Fulton	\$0	\$955,642.51	\$44,620.61	\$766,918.38
Greene	\$0	\$2,383,055.41	\$40,380.14	\$2,013,736.84
Huntingdon	\$0	\$2,969,134.58	\$75,074.76	\$2,571,655.15
Indiana	\$0	\$5,529,506.73	\$62,771.78	\$5,088,314.04
Jefferson	\$0	\$2,856,075.43	\$99,032.20	\$2,570,552.52
Juniata	\$0	\$1,628,670.03	\$30,851.43	\$1,559,185.69
Lackawanna	\$6,247,641.20	\$7,542,681.42	\$612,041.63	\$3,010,780.98
Lancaster	\$16,260,899.00	\$19,631,534.12	\$0.00	\$19,631,534.12
Lawrence	\$0	\$5,624,150.19	\$306,348.26	\$4,264,660.32

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County	Amount of Direct Federal Allocation Received	DHS Allocation	DHS funds Expended July 1 - 31	DHS funds Remaining YTD
Lebanon	\$0	\$9,325,768.65	\$506,697.52	\$7,607,730.04
Lehigh	\$11,004,542.00	\$13,285,614.96	\$0.00	\$13,285,614.96
Luzerne	\$9,458,051.60	\$11,418,560.83	\$0.00	\$11,418,560.83
Lycoming	\$0	\$7,451,709.62	\$894,202.95	\$5,040,059.70
McKean	\$0	\$2,671,918.58	\$138,956.26	\$2,208,798.32
Mercer	\$0	\$7,196,849.69	\$604,208.08	\$5,558,975.58
Mifflin	\$0	\$3,034,510.26	\$141,483.43	\$2,613,839.96
Monroe	\$0	\$11,198,775.35	\$2,495,989.95	\$7,735,327.05
Montgomery	\$24,758,714.80	\$29,890,816.95	\$101,969.14	\$29,768,887.43
Montour	\$0	\$1,198,992.63	\$50,105.29	\$1,101,021.31
Northampton	\$9,096,555.30	\$10,982,131.81	\$679,623.03	\$8,751,789.94
Northumberland	\$0	\$5,974,771.68	\$538,881.72	\$4,441,448.72
Perry	\$0	\$3,043,323.48	\$68,498.90	\$2,650,714.32
Philadelphia	\$47,200,241.70	\$56,984,128.38	\$9,397,527.33	\$7,536,308.76
Pike	\$0	\$3,670,574.87	\$188,671.20	\$2,411,235.51
Potter	\$0	\$1,086,920.04	\$22,357.63	\$952,572.42
Schuylkill	\$0	\$9,297,224.34	\$507,662.82	\$7,915,024.92
Snyder	\$0	\$2,655,278.64	\$102,420.07	\$2,185,251.14
Somerset	\$0	\$4,830,631.48	\$33,945.60	\$4,119,084.69
Sullivan	\$0	\$398,962.66	\$14,686.48	\$358,000.23
Susquehanna	\$0	\$2,652,384.80	\$75,262.04	\$2,315,316.33
Tioga	\$0	\$2,669,682.39	\$44,100.30	\$2,484,405.18
Union	\$0	\$2,954,599.35	\$116,617.39	\$2,394,903.81
Venango	\$0	\$3,332,449.74	\$224,954.21	\$2,458,135.66
Warren	\$0	\$2,577,603.97	\$119,630.79	\$1,876,385.63
Washington	\$6,163,941.60	\$7,441,632.24	\$0.00	\$7,441,632.24
Wayne	\$0	\$3,378,028.56	\$44,246.78	\$3,163,284.95
Westmoreland	\$10,396,118.50	\$12,551,074.63	\$1,014,098.03	\$10,092,338.64
Wyoming	\$0	\$1,762,249.51	\$28,413.28	\$1,641,302.07
York	\$13,380,549.10	\$16,154,131.86	\$0.00	\$16,154,131.86
State Total	\$277,881,119.10	\$564,109,583.10	\$45,029,831.05	\$414,556,802.78