

Emergency Rental Assistance

Benton county residents needing rental assistance due to the financial burdens caused by the COVID-19 pandemic may be eligible to apply for the new federal Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) program. To learn more or apply, call 2-1-1 or complete the contact form on harknwa.com/getconnected. If a resident of Washington County, we will refer you to the correct distributor.



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Spanish and Marshallese speaking staff are available.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Income Level

- ✓ An applicant must have a household income at 80% or lower than the Area Median Income (AMI, see table 1)

Financial Difficulty

- ✓ Someone in the household has experienced at least one of the following due to COVID-19:
 1. Is currently eligible for unemployment benefits
 2. Or has experienced a reduction in household income
 3. Or has incurred significant costs or financial hardship

Housing Instability

- ✓ Has recently (in the last 60 days) contracted COVID-19 and can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability due to COVID-19.



You will be asked to provide **SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS** (e.g. layoff letter, rent owed statement, eviction notice, unemployment claim, tax documents, pay stubs, etc.)



Table 1. FY2021 Income Limits, U.S. Department of Housing & Human Services

FY 2021 Income Limit Area	Median Family Income	FY 2021 Income Limit Category	Persons in Family							
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Fayetteville - Springdale - Rogers, AR HUD Metro FMR Area	\$74,900	80% AMI	41,950	47,950	53,950	59,900	64,700	69,500	74,300	79,100

*Program expires September 30, 2022 or when funds run out.