

Rent & Mortgage Assistance

For Lackawanna County Residents



Assistance for Tenants/Renters

Program	Eligibility	More Information
CARES Rent Relief Program: Financial assistance to cover rent payments for up to 6 months, from March to December 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% household area median income or below • Unemployed or 30% reduction in income since March 1 due to COVID-19 • Tenants or landlords can apply 	Lackawanna County Dept. of Human Services www.lackawannacounty.org/index.php/cares-rent-relief-program Applications due Sept. 30
Emergency Rental Assistance: Financial assistance for people facing eviction or seeking permanent housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Household income at or below 150% of federal poverty line • Eviction notice or documentation of homelessness 	Catholic Social Services Scranton - Stephanie Miller: 570-207-2283 Carbondale - Michelle Santanna: 570-282-0460
		United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA 570-343-8835 Maura Mark: mmark@uncnepa.org Megan Lee: mlee@uncnepa.org
		Catherine McAuley Center Tara Joyce: 570-342-1342 tjoyce@catherinemcauleycenter.org
Legal Services: Free civil legal aid to resolve tenant-landlord issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Household income at or below 250% of federal poverty line 	North Penn Legal Services 877-953-4250 www.northpennlegal.org/

Assistance for Homeowners

Program	Eligibility	More Information
CARES Pandemic Mortgage Assistance Program: Financial assistance to cover mortgage payments for up to 6 months, from March to December 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 100% household area median income or below • Unemployed or 30% reduction in income since March 1 due to COVID-19 • Mortgages in forbearance are not eligible 	Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA) 1-855-U-Are-Home www.phfa.org/pacares/mortgage.aspx
Foreclosure Intervention: Free one-on-one counseling for people facing foreclosure, assistance working with lenders, and access to court protection programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No income requirements 	NeighborWorks NEPA Kathi Tavera: 570-558-2490 ktavera@nwnepa.org nwnepa.org/programs-services/foreclosure.html
		United Neighborhood Centers of NEPA 570-343-8835 Maura Mark: mmark@uncnepa.org Megan Lee: mlee@uncnepa.org
Legal Services: Free civil legal aid for people facing foreclosure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Household income at or below 250% of federal poverty line 	North Penn Legal Services 877-953-4250 www.northpennlegal.org/