Are You Eligible for ERAP Rental Assistance?

The New York State Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) will provide significant economic relief to help low and moderate-income households at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability by providing rental arrears, temporary rental assistance and utility arrears assistance. Residents of New York State may be eligible for ERAP rental assistance if:

- Household gross income is at or below 80 percent of the Area Median Income (AMI). These income limits differ by county and household size. A household may qualify based on current income or calendar year 2020 income that is at or below 80 percent AMI. AND
- 2 On or after March 13, 2020, a member of the household received unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in income, incurred significant costs or experienced other financial hardship, directly or indirectly, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. AND
- 3 The applicant is obligated to pay rent at their primary residence and has rental arrears (rent overdue) at their current residence for rent owed on or after March 13, 2020. Households eligible for rental arrears may also be eligible for help paying utility arrears at the same rental unit. AND
- 4 The household is at risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability, which can be demonstrated by having rental arrears owed on or after March 13, 2020.

Contact me today and let's see how we can help. Shannon Wright Emergency Rental Assistance Program Specialist

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