



**THE FOUNDATION FOR RURAL HOUSING INC., PROVIDES HOUSING ASSISTANCE FUNDING IN 69 COUNTIES IN THE STATE OF WISCONSIN. WE HAVE BEEN ASSISTING LOW INCOME RESIDENTS SINCE 1970. WE SUPPORT COMMUNITY BASED SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE HOUSING CONDITIONS AND PROMOTE STABILITY.**

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# CRITICAL ASSISTANCE

The primary goal of our critical assistance program is to prevent homelessness. We work with clients to assure our one time payment will make a long term difference in achieving housing stability.



<p><b>Delinquent Rental Assistance (up to \$700)</b></p>	<p>MUST BE PAST DUE, at risk of eviction or homelessness. Does NOT include hotels. Limited to a one time, once a year payment.</p>
<p><b>Security Deposit or First Months Rent (up to \$700)</b></p>	<p>Must have a valid reason for moving - for example, unsafe living conditions, move for work, change in family size etc. Limited to a one time once a year payment.</p>
<p><b>Mortgage Assistance (up to \$1,500)</b></p>	<p>Must be past due and owner occupied. Limited to a one time once a year payment.</p>
<p><b>Utility Assistance (up to \$400)</b></p>	<p>Must have a disconnection or eviction notice and have applied for Energy Assistance and Crisis Energy Assistance. Limited to a one time once a year payment.</p>
<p><b>Property Tax Assistance (up to \$1,500)</b></p>	<p>Must be at risk of a property lien. Must be willing to discuss household budget and set up a payment plan with county treasurer. *Property tax assistance is only available once every three years.</p>

- Household gross income needs to be at or under 50% FPL by county median.
- The client must be able to show that they can continue to pay their housing expenses going forward.
- The client must show they are spending 30% of their gross income on housing.
- Housing cost must be less than 50% of their gross household income.
- The client must provide us with a complete application with verification of income for all household members over the age of 18.
- We will require certain conditions to be met before releasing the money. This will vary by client and situation.
- Must be current on property taxes if requesting mortgage assistance. Must be current on mortgage payments if requesting property tax assistance.

**Gross Income is used for all programs**