# Are You Owed Back Rent?

Onondaga County has Emergency Rental Relief money & we are here to help you.

# If your tenant qualifies:

- Payments will be made directly to you.
- You may receive payment for up to twelve months of back rent and utilities and up to three months of prospective rent, depending on your tenant's eligibility.

### Your tenant must meet these qualifications:

An individual within the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability.

An individual within the household has qualified for unemployment benefits or experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced financial hardship due to COVID-19. The household has a gross income at or below 80% of the area's median income. The chart below shows the maximum a tenant can earn per household size to be eligible.

## 2021 Area Median Income

Maximum Annual Income by Family Size - 80%	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income Level	\$44,550	\$50,000	\$57,250	\$63,600	\$68,700	\$73,800	\$78,900	\$84,000

# Have a tenant that qualifies? Encourage or help them to apply, or start the process by applying today: www.OnGovRentHelp.com



#### What you need to know:

- No debts occurring before March 13, 2020, can be paid with these funds.
- If the original tenant is gone, you may still receive funds if the former tenant is deemed eligible.
- The rental unit you are seeking payment for **must not have a** health and safety violation.
- Tenants living in the City of Syracuse must have a current Rental Registry.

- While an application is pending review, you waive your right to pursue an eviction or non-possessory money judgment for nonpayment of rent.
- By accepting these funds (for back rent or future rent), you agree to waive all interest, penalties, late charges, attorneys' and/or court fees and costs as a result of the non-payment of rent for the months covered.

\*For more information view the ERA highlights on our website.

#### Limited Funds Available.

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