

Your landlord cannot evict you from your house, apartment, or mobile home lot before **October 3, 2021** for failure to pay rent if you can answer “yes” to one of the questions in each column below:

**INCOME: One of the following applies to you:**

- Will you have income less than \$99,000 for 2020 (or \$198,000 for a married couple)?
- Did you earn so little 2019 that you did not have to file taxes?
- Did you receive a federal Economic Stimulus Check in 2020?

**FINANCIAL SITUATION: One of the following applies to you:**

- Has your family lost substantial income?
- Have you lost hours of work or wages?
- Have you been laid off?
- Have you had extraordinary medical expenses that are not covered by insurance?

**PROBLEMS PAYING THE RENT. Due to one of the previous situations, you...**

- Cannot pay your full rent? or...
- Cannot pay your full home payment?

**EFFORTS TO PAY THE RENT**

Have you made your best efforts to make partial payments that are as close as possible to the full rent as your personal circumstances allow?

**GOVERNMENT HELP**

Have you made your best efforts to find government assistance to pay the rent?

**EVICTED. If you were evicted, one of the following would be true for**

- You would be homeless?
- You would need to move into a homeless shelter?
- You would need to move into a residence shared with other people that live in close quarters?

**RISK OF COVID**

- You must live in a county with a high or substantial rate of spread of COVID-19.
- Click on this link to see a map of which counties are included: <https://bit.ly/COVIDmapNCJC>

## ***What do I need to do to stop my landlord from evicting me?***

- Each adult tenant (18 years or older) that lives with you must [sign this declaration](#) stating that you are eligible for the CDC moratorium.  
***The declaration is a sworn statement, and there are criminal penalties for signing the declaration if it is not true!***
- Give the signed declaration to the landlord
- Keep copies of the signed declaration.
- Follow the rental agreement.
- **If you have a court hearing**, go to court and bring your signed declaration to show the judge that the eviction should be stopped.
- **If you already had a court eviction hearing and the judge ordered you to be evicted:**
  - You have a right to appeal. You have 10 days after the hearing to appeal.
  - If the 10 days to appeal have passed, you may still be able to stop the eviction.

## ***Getting Help to Pay the Rent***

- **Rental relief funds are available! TO GET ASSISTANCE, visit: [hope.nc.gov](http://hope.nc.gov)**
  - *The 12 largest counties are also offering their own rental relief programs. You can visit [hope.nc.gov](http://hope.nc.gov) for information on all 100 counties, or go directly to county websites for [Wake](#), [Mecklenburg](#), [Orange](#), [Durham](#), [Guilford](#), [Forsyth](#).*
- **If you are an immigrant:**
  - *Immigrants with or without status can receive assistance from rental relief programs*
  - *Accepting help from a rental relief program will NOT affect your application for a green card! The programs offering government help to pay your rent are NOT considered negatively in an immigration application. Please apply if you need the assistance.*

### **GET LEGAL HELP:**

- Legal Aid of North Carolina: 1-866-219-5262
- Legal Aid Landlord-Tenant Information: <http://www.legalaidnc.org/get-help/self-help-library/landlord-tenant>
- NC Lawyer's Referral Service: 1-800-662-7660
- North Carolina Justice Center (serving immigrants with or without status): 919-856-2162
- NCJC Covid-19 Resources <https://www.ncjustice.org/covid-19-response/>

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