

# COVID-19 EMERGENCY HOUSING



## Have you encountered a housing challenge due to COVID-19 pandemic?

Your community is working together to offer you tools to rebuild your housing foundation. COVID19 brings us challenges and it will take hard work from both you and your community to work through this crisis.

We encourage you to take one or two of the next steps to re-build your housing foundation. It is also important that you contact your landlord to attempt to reach an agreement of next steps.

## STEP ONE

**Is it between the hours of 5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. or a weekend?**



Call the Kearney Police Department at (308) 237-2104 or visit the Kearney / Buffalo County Law Enforcement Center at 2025 A Avenue, Kearney, Nebraska to speak with an officer to see what emergency one-night housing assistance may be available.



**Proceed to STEP TWO** - Call ahead to one of these housing specialists to learn what programs they have available to determine which program meets your specific needs.

- **Do not go directly to UNK to seek housing.** UNK residence halls are prepared as potential care sites for individuals in quarantine, isolation or recovering from COVID-19. DHHS will determine who receives care at the UNK alternative care sites. Inquiries can be directed to DHHS at 1-833-220-0018. Housing for emergency responders or health care personnel should contact Two Rivers Public Health Department at 1-888-669-7154.

## STEP TWO

**YOU MUST CALL TO DETERMINE IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE.**

### Emergency Housing:

**Crossroads Shelter**  
1404 E 39th Street  
Kearney, NE  
(308)236-5688

**SAFE Center: (for individuals of domestic violence or sexual assault)**  
620 E 25th St, #14, Kearney, NE  
(308)237-2599

### Other Temporary Housing Assistance Programs:

**NOTE:** Presenting information to these organizations on the conversation between you and your landlord will be very helpful in understanding your long-term housing plan.

**The Salvation Army**  
1719 Central Avenue, Kearney, NE  
(308)234-9998

**Jubilee Center**  
2523 Avenue A, Kearney, NE  
(308)234-3880

**Community Action Partnership of Mid Nebraska**  
16 W 11th Street, Kearney, NE  
(308)865-5680

### Criteria for Assistance from Community Action Partnership of Mid-Nebraska

#### **PAST DUE RENT OR UTILITIES:**

- You must have a Late Rent Form or eviction notice filled out by the landlord or a disconnect notice from the utility company.
- You must meet income and other eligibility criteria.

#### **1st MONTH'S RENT OR DEPOSIT ASSISTANCE:**

- You must be homeless (not living with family):
  - An eviction, domestic abuse or rent increase;
  - Natural disaster, COVID19 Pandemic; or
  - Relocating to the area for a new job.
- Your rent should not exceed 35% of your gross income and meet Fair Market Rent guidelines.
- You must be approved for the location by the landlord or property manager before we can assist.
- You must meet income and other eligibility criteria.