

Low Income Rental Housing Assistance Program

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Program Overview:

The Low Income Rental Housing Assistance Program is a prevention and intervention program that assists very-low-income households by providing short-term rental assistance to those in danger of losing their rental units because of involuntary hardship or homelessness. Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) administers the program through local housing authorities and community action agencies.

Eligibility Requirements:

To qualify, the household's income from all sources (not including income from the employment of children under the age of 18) must not exceed 50 percent of the area median income for that household size. Qualifying households receive a Low Income Rental Housing Fund grant covering up to six months of rental housing expenses.

Program Requirements:

Households needing assistance should contact their local community action agency. Very low-income households may qualify for a grant if they are in danger of losing their rental units due to involuntary hardship, which can consist of medical problems, a natural disaster, domestic violence, or job layoff. Families experiencing homelessness may qualify for a grant if they can benefit from local community resources that will help them become self-sufficient in six months (the period of the grant). Resources that might help the household include job training, counseling, physical therapy, or rehabilitation. Grant funds may also be combined with other funding sources, at the community action agency's discretion, to provide housing assistance for needy households.

For More Information:

To talk with someone about resources and services in your local area or county, contact your local community action agency at <http://www.caporegon.org/members.htm>.