

Governor's Office for Emergency Relief & Recovery



Program Overview

The Governor has authorized the allocation and expenditure of \$35 million from the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund (“flex funds”) to support families or individuals in need of housing assistance as a result of COVID-19. Of the allocated \$35 million, \$20 million will be initially expended, with \$15 million being held in reserve, for rent stabilization and housing support.

According to New Hampshire Housing Finance Authority estimates, renters are twice as likely as homeowners to have lost their jobs as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. This would result in many of the approximately 152,000 renter households in New Hampshire lacking the ability to pay some or all of their rent. These Granite Staters could face possible eviction after the expiration of the emergency order prohibiting evictions for non-payment of rent.

Read the full announcement below.

[Housing Relief Program Details](#)

Manchester School Re-opening Listening Sessions

The Granite State Organizing

Project invited ABLE NH to partner on a series of listening sessions to plan for a just & equitable reopening of schools in Manchester, based on the real needs and concerns of families.



They're putting together a focus group to connect with families and teachers to amplify the voices of marginalized students, and your voice matters!

If you're interested in participating, please contact Lisa D. Beaudoin, ABLE NH Executive Director at lisab@ablenh.org.

[Read the full letter here](#)



In-Home Support Waiver Update

The In Home Support waiver renewal application has been submitted to CMS and is available to view along with public comments and responses on the DHHS website.

The comment and response document provides valuable information about changed being made to the services provided.

The link to the IHS waiver renewal webpage is below.

[View the In-Home Support Waiver and Comments](#)

The Keep Americans Connected Pledge



In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the challenges that many Americans have faced, FCC Chairman Ajit Pai announced the Keep Americans Connected Initiative on March 13, 2020.

Chairman Pai also challenged companies to go above and beyond the pledge, urging them to expand existing or develop new low-income broadband programs. He also called on broadband providers to relax their data usage limits in appropriate circumstances and take steps to promote remote learning and telehealth.

Click below to see the participating companies and the options they are providing.

Covid-19 Internet Access Options

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