

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Are you worried that you will be evicted for not paying your rent?

On 9/4/2020 the CDC issued an order making it *illegal* for certain tenants to be evicted. This means there is a moratorium on many residential evictions based non-payment of rent.

Does the eviction ban apply to me?

The first thing you need to do, is determine if you qualify as a "covered" person.

FIVE QUESTIONS TO ASK TO DETERMINE IF YOU QUALIFY AS A "COVERED" PERSON

1

Have I attempted to get government assistance for rent or housing? *If you need assistance, call 211*

2

Do I earn less than \$99,000 per year? OR If I file my taxes jointly, do we make less than \$198,000 yearly? OR Did I receive a stimulus check this year?

3

Am I unable to pay my full rent or housing payment due to substantial loss of income, loss of work hours, a lay-off, or extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses?

4

Am I making my best efforts to make on time payments to my landlord, as close to the full payment as possible?

5

If I am evicted, would I probably become homeless, be forced to move into a shelter, or move into a residence shared by other who live in close quarters?

IF THE ANSWERS TO ALL FIVE QUESTIONS ABOVE ARE "YES" THEN YOU MAY BE A "COVERED" PERSON.

WHY DOES IT MATTER IF I AM A "COVERED" PERSON?

ONLY "covered" persons are protected from eviction under the order.

If you answered yes to the 5 questions above, the next step is to go to <https://www.covid19evictionforms.com/> to generate a declaration.

This website will generate the document you need and allow you to email, text, or mail it to your landlord or lessor.

Once you have done this, **you cannot be evicted until after 12/31/20.**

This flyer is not legal advice. If your landlord tries to evict you, contact Legal Aid.

YOU SHOULD KEEP RECORDS OF EACH STEP OF THIS PROCESS. KEEP ALL DOCUMENTS THAT ALLOWED YOU TO ANSWER YES TO THE FIVE QUESTIONS (RECORDS OF SEEKING RENTAL ASSISTANCE, W-2S, PAYSTUBS, TERMINATION LETTERS FROM EMPLOYER, COPIES OF CHECKS/MONEY ORDERS FOR RENT PAYMENTS YOU HAVE MADE). KEEP A COPY OF THE DECLARATION THAT YOU GIVE TO YOUR LESSOR.

****KEEP PROOF OF DELIVERING THE DECLARATION TO YOUR LESSOR BY SAVING THE EMAIL, TEXT, OR VIDEO OF YOU DELIVERING IT.**