COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA)

Applications are now being accepted for the Michigan COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA) Program. Michigan residents who fell behind on their rent or utilities during COVID-19 may qualify for assistance.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

CERA can serve renter households that have incomes less than 80% of Area Median Income (AMI) who meet the following conditions:

- Individual(s) in the household has qualified for unemployment benefits or has experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or has experienced other financial hardship due directly or indirectly to the coronavirus outbreak; and
- Individual(s) in the household can demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability evidenced by a past due utility or rent notice.

HOW DO I APPLY?

Please visit the website at https://michigan.gov/cera for more information, or to view the printable assistance application. Completed applications should be returned for processing. Applications can be mailed to MDSCAA, 507 1st Ave N, Escanaba MI 49829 or emailed to nfletcher@mdscaa.org