

# RESOURCES

## Help With Rent, Mortgage, or Utility Payments

Emergency Rental Assistance Program: Renters who cannot pay their rent and utilities due to Covid-19 can apply for help paying costs related to current, past due and future rent, plus security deposits and utilities. To apply, click here

<https://rentrelief.utah.gov/>.

United Way 2-1-1: This agency has a large directory of community partners who may be able to help you pay these bills. There are many ways to reach United Way 2-1-1. In addition to dialing 2-1-1, you can text, email, chat via instant message or download a mobile app. Click here for complete contact information

<https://211utah.org/index.php>. You can also search the 2-1-1 website by clicking here, [United Way 2-1-1 Housing and Utilities](#) .

### Mortgage Assistance:

The Utah Homeowners Assistance Fund (UHAF) program is a federally funded housing assistance program for homeowners in Utah impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. The program can provide aid for housing-related costs such as mortgage and property charges, taxes, insurance premiums, condominium fees, planned unit development fees, HOA fees, and other assessments that may be required by local or state law. For more information visit

<https://homeownersassistance.utah.gov/>.

For residents in certain cities, including Salt Lake City, Sandy, South Jordan and Taylorsville, who have been financially impacted by Covid-19, can apply for a grant to cover up to \$5,000 in mortgage payments. For more information, go to

<https://www.cdcutah.org/covid-assistance> or call 801-994-7222.

## Other Financial Assistance

Department of Workforce Services (DWS): There are many benefit programs to help people affected by Covid-19, including unemployment benefits, food stamps,

medical coverage, childcare, financial and HEAT assistance. Visit the Department of Workforce Services' website for more information,

<https://jobs.utah.gov/covid19/index.html> or call 801-526-WORK (9675). **PLEASE NOTE:** Utah Legal Services can assist clients with applying for most DWS benefits, contact our intake department Monday- Friday between 9 AM and 2 PM, by calling 801-328-8891 (inside Salt Lake Co.) or 1-800-662-4245 (Outside Salt Lake Co.); you can also complete an online application by clicking here, [Utah Legal Services' Online Application](#).

## **Access to the Internet**

Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP): The White House has [announced](#) a program to significantly improve access to high-speed internet for Americans living in poverty. The **Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP)** provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward internet service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands. Twenty of the leading internet service providers covering more than 80% of the U.S. population have committed to offer ACP-eligible households high-speed, high-quality internet plans for no more than \$30/month. The commitments would allow ACP-eligible households to receive high-speed internet service at no cost. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers if they contribute more than \$10 and less than \$50 toward the purchase price.

Additional information on the Affordable Connectivity Program can be found at <https://www.fcc.gov/acp> and at this phone number, **(877) 384-2575**.

## **Cell Phone Service**

Lifeline: You may qualify for a free or reduced-price cell phone and related service. To apply with Lifeline, go to <https://www.lifelinesupport.org/>. You can also call 1-800-234-9473, or email [LifelineSupport@usac.org](mailto:LifelineSupport@usac.org) to request a paper application.

## **Taxes / Stimulus Check**

Make sure to get all the stimulus money you are entitled to by filing your taxes now. Even if you don't normally file taxes or didn't qualify for the first stimulus payments, you may qualify now, learn more from our [Stimulus Tax Flyer](#).

You can find free tax preparation help near you by visiting [tinyurl.com/IRStaxprep](https://tinyurl.com/IRStaxprep) or by calling 1-800-906-9887; if you are 50 years old or older, you can also find free help by going to [tinyurl.com/AARP-free-tax-tool](https://tinyurl.com/AARP-free-tax-tool) or by calling 1-888-227-7669. If you earn under \$72,000 a year, you can file your taxes for free using the IRS free filer tool here, [tinyurl.com/IRSfreefiling](https://tinyurl.com/IRSfreefiling).

## **Domestic Violence**

Utah Domestic Violence Coalition: Staying home during Covid-19 can be particularly dangerous for people experiencing abuse. A domestic violence hotline is available 24 hours a day by calling LINKLine at 1-800-897-LINK (5465). Resource, including shelter information can be found visiting <https://www.udvc.org/resources/get-help-now.html> .

## **Courts Status/Alerts**

For information about Court Alerts and Courthouse status, visit the Utah Court's "[Alerts and Information](#)" webpage.

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