CITY OF FIFE RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The City of Fife’s Rental Assistance Program has a mission of preserving public health, safety and welfare during the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Fife recognizes that stable housing helps local residents and the economy. The City of Fife is dedicating $150,000 of the city’s CARES Act funding to help Fife residents with rental assistance. The program will be open **October 19-31, 2020.** UPDATE: THE PROGRAM IS NOW OPEN TO OCTOBER 31, 2020.

HOW IT WORKS

The City of Fife has partnered with Living Access Support Alliance (LASA), a Pierce County community-supported non-profit agency committed to the prevention of homelessness and recurrent homelessness. LASA will administer this program.

- This is a lottery program open October 19-31 (Please note the program has been extended to October 31)
- Renters apply directly to LASA at lasapierce.org
- Provides up to 2 months in past-due rent
- LASA counselor will verify the applicant’s information
- Documentation required: COVID-19 impact, current income for all adults 18+, copy of the lease and photo ID
- Landlords or property manager must verify the current amount of past-due rent owed by the applicant
- LASA will also verify that no other organizations have paid or pledged for the same month(s) we are assisting with
- Rent Assistance payments are issued directly to landlord or authorized property manager
- Landlords will be required to provide a W-9 and sign a “Landlord Certification”
- Each day, 50% of the applications in the pool will be selected
- Any unselected applications will remain in the pool. Once the lottery closes, any remaining applicants will be placed on a wait list and assisted if funding allows
- All applicants will be given information about other rent assistance resources

TO QUALIFY

- Live inside Fife city limits
- Must have a lease or rental agreement
- Household income must not exceed 80% of the Local Area Median Income (AMI)
- Economically impacted by COVID-19

PROGRAM OFFERS

- Households are eligible for 2 full months of past-due rent
- No rent payments will be paid for future rent
- The money does not need to be paid back. This is a grant

Use this QR code to apply once the lottery opens October 19