## **COVID-19 EMERGENCY RENT BRIDGE**

## **Provides** *temporary* Rental Assistance

During this challenging and uncertain time, it's more important than ever to provide sustainable housing for the safety and well-being of all North Dakotans. The **COVID-19 Emergency Rent Bridge** (ERB) provides individuals and families who are experiencing a loss of household income because of the pandemic with temporary rental assistance.

## WHAT HOUSING PROVIDERS NEED TO KNOW

- If a Renter has applied for and/or been approved for assistance from the ERB, they will receive confirmation message(s) that they can show to their Housing Provider.
- If a Renter is approved, the state of North Dakota will send the payment directly to the Housing Provider.
- Payments will be processed weekly

## TO RECEIVE PAYMENT

If you have a Renter who has applied for assistance from the Rent Bridge, before the state of North Dakota can make the rent payment, you must verify your status as a Housing Provider.

- 1. Create an account in the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Supplier Registry, <a href="https://bit.ly/2yK2Zba">https://bit.ly/2yK2Zba</a>. (OMB will need to validate or re-validate your account information before making the payment. Housing Providers unable to register with OMB online should contact 701-328-2538 or dhseo@nd.gov.)
- 2. Once you have your Supplier ID, and your Renter has been approved and you have their ERB Confirmation ID Number, use the Housing Provider Payment Request, https://bit.ly/3dDYOwq, to request the payment due.
- 3. Further instructions will be provided online. Be prepared to individually validate the rent due for all of your tenants who applied for ERB assistance.
- 4. ERB staff will process the request. Any approved payments will be made directly to you, the Housing Provider, into the account specified when you registered as a Supplier.



the Rent Bridge at
http://www.nd.gov/dhs/info/
covid-19/rent-bridge.html
QUESTIONS?

Contact dhseo@nd.gov

If you know a renter who is struggling to pay their rent, please reach out to let them know about the COVID-19 Emergency Rent Bridge program. By participating in this process, you play an important role in helping us protect the health and well-being of every family during this crisis. Thank you for your partnership.

