



The Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency (BCSH) announced that its [CA COVID-19 Rent Relief Program](#) website will go live to begin accepting applications.

It is estimated that as many as 1.5 million California renters are behind on rent and at risk of eviction because of the COVID-19 pandemic. The CA COVID-19 Rent Relief Program will be a lifeline to renters and landlords. It clears accumulated rental debt, keeps the hardest-hit families in their homes, and will lead to a more equitable economic recovery.

California tenants or landlords can visit the [CA COVID-19 Rent Relief webpage](#) through the [Housing Is Key website](#), or they can call toll-free 833-430-2122.

To assist renters and landlords with the application process, BCSH has also established a [Local Partner Network](#) consisting of community based organizations across the state in the hardest hit areas to provide in-person assistance to individuals who may not know about the program or who may need help filling out their applications. Our goal is to make sure that everyone who needs rent relief gets it.

We are encouraging our CoC and local community partners to join this Local Partner Network and assist with promoting the rent relief program. You can apply to the network by [clicking here](#).

