



HOPE Program Now Accepting Applications

The N.C. Housing Opportunities and Prevention of Evictions ([HOPE](#)) Program is now accepting applications from renters in 88 North Carolina counties who have suffered financial setbacks due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program is especially focused on reaching households in rural areas who may not have any other options for emergency rental assistance. As a trusted source of information for rural communities, your organizations are in a unique position to share information about the program with people who might not hear about it otherwise. In addition to the HOPE Program, 12 counties and five Native American tribes received direct federal funding to operate their own emergency rental assistance programs. To confirm which program serves your area, please visit the [NC HOPE Interactive Map](#). Detailed information and an online application are available at WWW.HOPE.NC.GOV or by calling **888-9ASK-HOPE**.

HOPE Outreach Toolkit

The HOPE Program is asking for your support in reaching as many rural North Carolina families as possible. Please help us spread the word about the current application period by sharing information through your local communication channels. To help with this effort, a complete [HOPE Outreach Toolkit](#) is now available online for download. The toolkit includes HOPE flyers, factsheets, social media content, maps and graphics. It is designed specifically for use by local partners such as government agencies, churches, nonprofits, schools and any other organization that can help the HOPE Program reach potential rural applicants. If you prefer to receive the outreach toolkit as a zipped file, please send a message to communications@rebuild.nc.gov and we'll get that to you right away.

HOPE Website

The [HOPE website](#) includes many resources for applicants and stakeholders, including an interactive map, applicant pre-screening tool, online application and library of program handouts for applicants, landlords and utility providers. All materials are available in English and Spanish. An online application is the quickest way to apply for assistance, so please be sure to share the website link with people in your community.

HOPE Call Center: (888) 9ASK-HOPE

The HOPE Program has a call center that can assist applicants between **8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday**. Applicants should call **(888) 9ASK-HOPE** or **(888) 927-5467** for assistance.

Thank you for supporting the HOPE Program in our efforts to reach as many North Carolina families as possible.