



WATERLOO

COVID RESPONSE



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60-80

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program based in
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LANDLORDS

- Need compensation from tenants
- Hard to replace unpaying tenants with Eviction Moratorium
- Emergency Rental Programs and other government funds can give them the compensation they desire



RECOMMENDATION #1

Awareness and Outreach

HAVE YOU EXPERIENCED HOUSING INSECURITY DUE TO COVID-19?

Here are resources for citizens of Waterloo, Iowa:

LOCAL RESOURCES FOR RENT

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Contact: crisis@operationthreshold.org or (319) 291-2065

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St. Vincent DePaul Society
Contact: (319) 232-3366

Veteran's Affairs (for qualifying veterans)
Contact: (319) 291-2512 or www.blackhawkcounty.iowa.gov/347/Veterans-Affairs

Eastside Ministerial Alliance
Contact: (319) 235-5580 or www.emacenter.org



HOMELESS SHELTERS/EMERGENCY HOUSING

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YWCA
425 Lafayette Street Waterloo, IA 50703
Contact: (319) 234-7589 or www.ywcabhc.org



FEDERAL/ STATE RESOURCES

Iowa Finance Authority
Contact: (800) 432-7230 or www.iowafinance.com/iowa-rent-and-utility-assistance-program/

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
• Projects for Assistance in Transition to Homelessness (PATH)
• Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI)
• State Medicaid-Housing Agency Partners
Contact: Toll Free Call Center 1-877-696-6775 or www.hhs.gov/programs/social-services/homelessness/grants/index.html

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
• Rural Housing Stability Assistance Program (RHSP)
• Defense Base Closure and Realignment Program (BRAC)
• HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing Program (HUD-VASH)
Contact: (202) 708-1112 or www.hud.gov/program_offices/comm_pln



National Income Housing Coalition
• American Rescue Plan Act (ARP)
• Coronavirus, Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES)
Contact: (202) 662-1530 or acalabro@nihc.org or nihc.org/coronavirus-and-housing-homelessness

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Public Library
Food Banks
Day Care Centers



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Text
RENTHELP
to 99999



RECOMMENDATION #2

Tenant Notices and Resources



Have questions about the Rent and Utility Program or your application? Contact us at the Housing Recovery Support Team.

855-300-5885 or 515-348-8813



Rent Payments

Past Due Payments

Future Payments: Not available.



Utility Payments

Past Due Payments:
Electricity, gas, propane
or fuel oil, water, sewer
and/or trash removal.

Future Payments: Not available.



**Up to 12 Months
Combined Assistance**

Eligible renters may
apply for rent
assistance only, utility
assistance only or both.

RECOMMENDATION #3

Eviction Prevention

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to define mediation and

Mediation

RECOMMENDATION #4

Eviction Diversion - Housing Court

90%
of Landlords
have an attorney



10%
of Tenants
have an attorney



RECOMMENDATION #4

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65% to 85%
stay in their home



Next steps

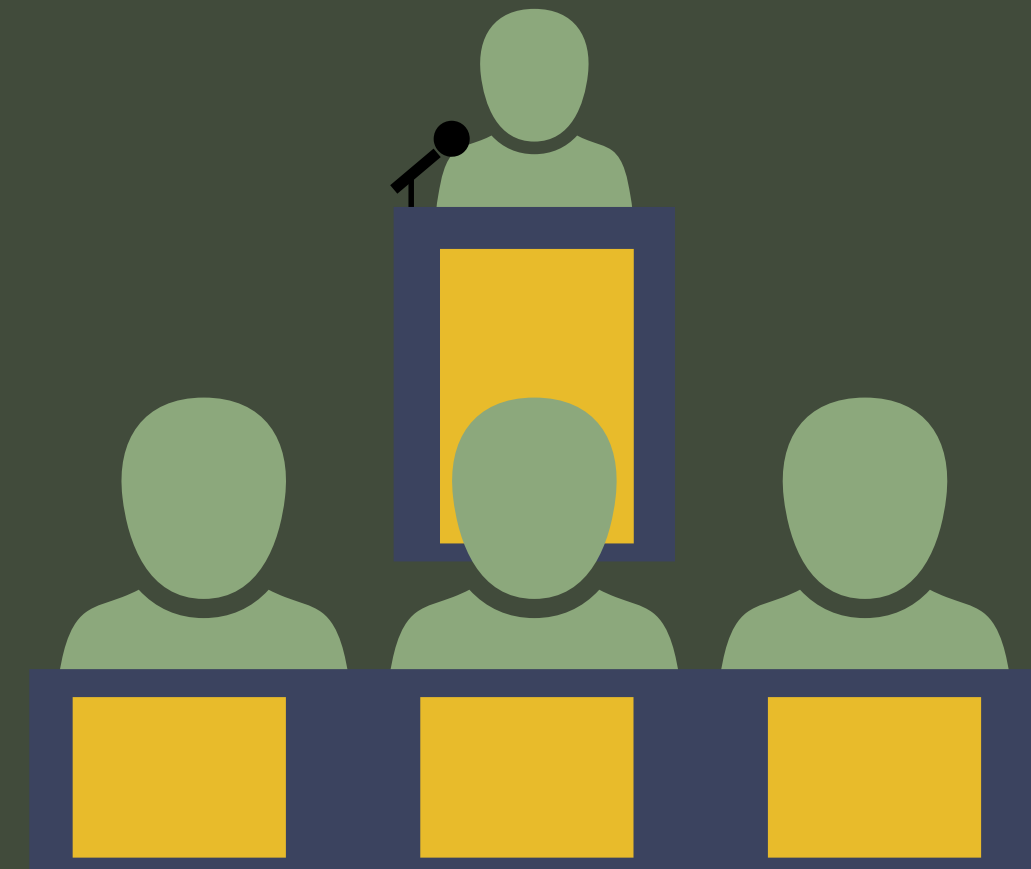
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