

Financial Help

New assistance plans are available.

Need help paying your bills? There are plenty of new funds from programs and organizations that partner with Evergy to help you pay bills. If you are already behind on your bill, we now offer payment plans. For more information, visit [evergy.com/financialassistance](https://www.evergy.com/financialassistance) or call **800-383-1183**.



Renters Only

The Emergency Rental Assistance Program

Consists of funds available (due to COVID-19) for **renters only** to pay rent and utilities. You're able to apply once every 3 months, up to 6 times.

To apply, visit [kshousingcorp.org/emergency-rental-assistance](https://www.kshousingcorp.org/emergency-rental-assistance). Wichita residents visit [wichita.gov/WERAPApplication](https://www.wichita.gov/WERAPApplication).

You can also apply for LIEAP in addition to this program.



Eligibility Requirements

- You must be a resident of KS and renting your primary residence
- Household estimated income must be **at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI)** for your county
- Someone in the household must have experienced a reduction in income or an increase in expenses during the pandemic



Amount of Benefit

Funds cover utility arrears for the period beginning April 2020 **up to 18 months (past due to current)** and forward assistance may be available for rent for up to 3 months.



Homeowners Only

The Kansas Homeowners Assistance Program

The Kansas Homeowner Assistance Fund consists of funds available (due to COVID-19) for **homeowners only** to pay mortgages, property taxes, homeowner's insurance, and utilities.

To apply, visit [kshousingcorp.org/kansas-homeowner-assistance-fund](https://www.kshousingcorp.org/kansas-homeowner-assistance-fund).



Eligibility Requirements

- You own your home in Kansas.
- The property (a single-family home, one-to-four unit dwelling, or mobile home) is your primary residence.
- You are at least 30-days past due on mortgage and property taxes and/or charges.
- You can provide valid proof of identification.
- You are at risk of losing your home without assistance.
- Your income **does not exceed 150% of your area's median income**.
- Your household is experiencing documented financial hardship as a result of the COVID pandemic.



Amount of Benefit

Funds cover past due mortgage payments, up to 6 months of monthly mortgage payments to eligible homeowners unable to sustain their current monthly mortgage payments, a variety of property charges and delinquent utility payments (electricity, gas, home energy, water, wastewater, and internet and broadband services).



Low to Moderate Income

Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC)

EITC helps low to moderate income workers and families receive a tax break.

For more information, visit [irs.gov](https://www.irs.gov).



Eligibility Requirements

- Show proof of earned income
- Have investment income below \$3,650 in the tax year you claim the credit
- Have a valid Social Security number
- Claim a certain filing status
- Be a U.S. citizen or a resident alien all year
- EITC has special qualifying rules for military members, clergy members and taxpayers and their relatives with disabilities



Amount of Benefit

The average amount of EITC received nationwide was about \$2,461.

Project DESERVE

Provides emergency assistance on energy costs to people with a severe disability (children or adults meeting social security disability criteria), older adults (65 years+) and income-eligible households.

For more information visit [evergy.com/projectdeserve](https://www.evergy.com/projectdeserve).



Eligibility Requirements

- 65 Years or older or receives permanent disability income from SSI or SSD
- OR**
- Must meet the household income eligibility guidelines



Amount of Benefit

May receive a one-time payment of up to **\$100-\$300**, depending on eligibility, to be applied toward an energy bill over a rolling 12-month period.

United Way

Find additional support and resources through United Way by calling **2-1-1** or online at [211kansas.com](https://www.211kansas.com).

Prevent fluctuating bills

If you notice bills are much higher some months than others, check out our **Average Payment Plan** to help keep bills level and consistent year-round.

For further information visit [evergy.com/financialassistance](https://www.evergy.com/financialassistance) or scan the QR code.

