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# EVICCTIONS DURING COVID-19

## The Illinois eviction moratorium ends on October 3!

- Beginning **August 1, 2021**, any eviction case can be filed in court. But most eviction orders against "**covered persons**" cannot be enforced until **October 4, 2021**.\*

You are a covered person if you have given your landlord a **written Declaration** that says:

1. You made no more than \$99K in 2020 (\$198K for couples filing jointly);
2. You are behind on rent due to COVID;
3. You're using your best efforts to make partial rent payments; and
4. You would be homeless or have to double up if evicted.

Your landlord must give you the Illinois Declaration form, or you can get the Declaration form online at [www.ihda.org](http://www.ihda.org).

*\*If you pose a direct threat to the health and safety of other tenants or an immediate and severe risk to property, you can be evicted now even if are a covered person.*

## GET HELP!

- Visit [www.helpillinoisfamilies.com](http://www.helpillinoisfamilies.com) (1-833-711-0374), [www.illinoisrentalassistance.org](http://www.illinoisrentalassistance.org), or <https://ilrpp.ihda.org/> to find rent assistance, or find your local Community Action Agency at [www.iacaanet.org/members](http://www.iacaanet.org/members) to apply directly. Applications take some time to process. You may also try contacting other local agencies, such as Catholic Charities or Salvation Army, to request help.
- Residents of many counties can call 2-1-1 for information about rent assistance resources (visit [www.illinois211.org](http://www.illinois211.org) for more information).
- If you live in income-based housing and your income has changed, ask the landlord or the Housing Authority to "recertify" your income.
- For the most up to date information about evictions during COVID, visit [www.pslegal.org](http://www.pslegal.org) or [www.illinoislegalaid.org](http://www.illinoislegalaid.org).

**If you get an eviction notice, ask for free legal help by calling 855-631-0811  
or visit [evictionhelpillinois.org](http://evictionhelpillinois.org).**