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**UniteCT**

***Emergency Rental Assistance for Connecticut's Economy***

**Application Documentation Requirements**

The following matrix details the types of documentation that will be accepted under each eligibility factor. Each eligibility factor will require one (1) item of supporting documentation. The applicant must select one (1) of the acceptable documentation items under each eligibility factor listed, in order to satisfy the requirement. The applicant is not required to provide each item of documentation listed below. Some items of documentation may satisfy more than one eligibility factor, in such cases, reference the Notes column below which will indicate that a secondary upload is not necessary.

Eligibility Factor	Acceptable Documentation	Notes
<b>Tenant Identification*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Driver's License</li> <li>• State ID</li> <li>• Military ID</li> <li>• Native American Tribal ID</li> <li>• Passport</li> <li>• Permanent Resident Card</li> <li>• Other photo ID</li> </ul>	* Expired photo identification will be accepted if no other photo I.D. available.
<b>Tenant Application Entry in UniteCT RentRelief Portal</b>	<p>The Tenant will enter the following information in the application Portal*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Address of the rental unit requesting assistance</li> <li>• Information for household occupants</li> <li>• Rental unit information such as number of bedrooms, lease terms, monthly rent obligation, &amp; amount of rental arrears</li> <li>• Landlord information including name, address, email, phone number</li> </ul>	* This is not a comprehensive list of the application entry.
<b>Landlord Identification</b>	<p>If the landlord is a <b>company*</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business License</li> <li>• Articles of Incorporation</li> </ul>	* Property Managers may act in place of landlord. Documentation should be



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I.D. of representative (see individual landlord below for list of allowable support)</li> </ul> <p>If the landlord is an <b>individual</b>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Driver's License</li> <li>State ID</li> <li>Military ID</li> <li>Native American Tribal ID</li> <li>Passport</li> </ul>	provided that demonstrates the relationship between landlord and Property Manager.
<b>Landlord Application Entry in UniteCT RentRelief Portal</b>	<p>The Landlord will enter the following information in the application Portal*:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Name</li> <li>Representative Name (if applicable)</li> <li>Tax Identification Number</li> <li>Address of rental unit requesting assistance</li> <li>Lease or rental agreement for applicant &amp; rental unit</li> <li>Applicant name and rental unit</li> <li>Amount of rental arrears owed by the applicant</li> </ul>	* This is not a comprehensive list of the application entry.
<b>Landlord Business Verification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>W-9</li> <li>Federal Tax Return (1040, 1065, etc.)</li> </ul>	
<b>Landlord Property Ownership</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mortgage documents/Mortgage Statement*</li> <li>Property Tax Statement</li> <li>Insurance documentation</li> <li>Property Deed</li> </ul>	* Mortgage documents should explicitly relate to the property requesting assistance.
<p><b>Annual Household Income</b></p> <p>Income must be verified for each household</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Employment/Income Support*</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Income Support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2020 1040 Federal Income Tax Return</li> <li>2020 CT Income Tax Return</li> <li>Wage Statements</li> <li>Interest Statements</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	*Documentation in connection with another local, state, or federal government assistance program may be used to verify the applicant's income.



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<p>member over the age of 18.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Unemployment Compensation Statements</li> <li>○ Bank Statements</li> <li>○ Business Profit &amp; Loss Statement</li> </ul>	<p>**Social Security Benefits and other social services benefits are only considered income to the extent they are taxable under the U.S. Treasury.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Income*</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 2020 Federal Income Tax Return</li> <li>● 2020 CT Income Tax Return</li> <li>● Taxable amount of Social Security Benefits &amp; payment amount**</li> <li>● Disability Benefits statement &amp; payment amount</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Monthly Household Income</b></p> <p>Income must be verified for each household member over the age of 18.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Employment/Income Support*</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Most recent 4 weeks (one month) of Income Support: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Wage Statement</li> <li>○ Interest Statement</li> <li>○ Unemployment Compensation Statement**</li> <li>○ Bank Statements</li> <li>○ Business Profit &amp; Loss Statement</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>*Please provide one of the following.</b></p> <p>*Documentation in connection with another local, state, or federal government assistance program may be used to verify the applicant’s income.</p> <p>** Unemployment benefits must include a letter of program inclusion and evidence of payment with amount and frequency.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Other Income</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Taxable amount of Social Security Benefits &amp; payment amount</li> <li>● Disability Benefits statement &amp; payment amount</li> </ul>		
<p><b>Verification of no employment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Self-Certification of Zero-Income</li> <li>● Student Transcript*</li> </ul>	<p>* Income earned by HH Members over 18 who are full-time students will be excluded from income calculation in excess of \$480.</p>
<p><b>COVID-19 Financial Hardship</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Employer Verification of employment termination*</li> <li>● Unemployment Income letter and/or payment schedule **</li> <li>● Written Attestation signed by the applicant.</li> </ul>	<p>* Termination or layoff must have occurred due to the impacts of COVID-19 and cannot have occurred prior to March 13, 2020.</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other documentation***</li> </ul>	<p>** Unemployment benefits must be dated after March 13, 2020 and state the amount and frequency of the payments.</p> <p>*** Documentation of increased expenses or other financial hardship as a result of COVID-19 related issues.</p>
<b>Risk of Homelessness/Housing Instability</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Past due rent notice</li> <li>• Past due utility notice</li> <li>• Notice to Quit</li> <li>• Notice of Eviction</li> <li>• Notice of utility shut-off</li> <li>• Demonstration that rent payment is more than 30% of income: lease or rent payment schedule</li> </ul>	
<b>Current Connecticut Residency</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utility/Rent or other bill dated within the last 3 months, evidencing resident address.</li> <li>• Bank Statement dated within the last 3 months, evidencing resident address.</li> <li>• Income documents showing tenant residency.</li> <li>• Current lease evidencing resident address.</li> </ul>	
<b>Primary Residence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Photo ID address matches rental/utility assistance address.</li> <li>• Tax Return does not indicate mortgage interest/property tax deduction.</li> <li>• Bank Statement dated within the last 2 months matches rental/utility assistance address.</li> <li>• Income documents showing tenant residency.</li> <li>• Current lease evidencing resident address.</li> </ul>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Arrears</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rent Statement for all months in arrears, and</li> </ul>	



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<b>Rental Assistance - Applicant</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evidence of non-payment               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Past due rent notice</li> <li>○ Payment ledger</li> <li>○ Certification from Landlord (signed)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Prospective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lease or written agreement to include:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Term of rental agreement</li> <li>○ Monthly rent amount</li> <li>○ Number of adult occupants</li> <li>○ Agreement signed by landlord and tenant</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Bank Statements, check stubs, email payment confirmations, or other documentation that show the regular payment of rent to verify tenant's obligation (2 months consecutive).</li> </ul>	<p>* Overdue rental costs prior to March 13, 2020 are not eligible for reimbursement.</p>
<b>Rental Assistance - Landlord</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Arrears</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rent Statement for all months in arrears, and</li> <li>• Evidence of non-payment               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Past due rent notice</li> <li>○ Payment ledger</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Prospective</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lease or written agreement to include:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Term of rental agreement</li> <li>○ Monthly rent amount</li> <li>○ Number of adult occupants</li> <li>○ Agreement signed by landlord and tenant</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Utility Assistance</b>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Arrears</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utility Statement for all months in arrears*, and</li> <li>• Evidence of non-payment               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Past due utility notice.</li> <li>○ Letter from utility company.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>* UniteCT will reimburse utility costs associated with the applicant's monthly electricity usage. Utility statements should clearly outline the cost of electricity usage.</p>



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