

Resources for help during the COVID-19 Challenge

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Recursos en Español

City of Chicago: <https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/sites/covid-19/home.html?ctr=0&ite=1209&lea=1269192&lvl=100&org=775&par=1>

Illinois Department of Public Health

<http://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/diseases-a-z-list/coronavirus?ctr=0&ite=1209&lea=1269192&lvl=100&org=775&par=1#tab-0-1>

Resources in English

Rental assistance in Chicago:

https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/fss/provdrs/serv/svcs/how_to_find_rentalassistanceinchicago.html?fbclid=IwAR0IIH488xtP6H_3zc6bU1Jml-3hmskASyZiyfdgGCn5wdkoYH38PKyxcCQ

- Unemployment - If you are out of work, you may be eligible for benefits, including PT workers. call IDES at 1-800-244-5631 or go to <https://www2.illinois.gov/ides/Pages/COVID-19-and-Unemployment-Benefits.aspx>
- Emergency Rent Assistance: Call 311 and they can route you to a Community Service office.
- ComEd has voluntarily implemented a moratorium on service disconnections for non-payment, effective immediately. This suspension will apply to both residential and commercial customers and will remain in effect at least until May 1st. Governor Pritzker has urged other utility companies to do likewise.
- If you are having housing problems, visit rentervention.com for help to see if you are eligible for assistance from the Lawyer's Committee for better Housing. Their page also has lots of excellent information on [illegal lockouts](#), [landlord retaliation](#), [denying essential services](#), or [evicting outside of the legal process](#).
- A [recent order](#) from the Cook County Circuit Court states that most civil legal cases like evictions will be postponed for 30 days starting yesterday, Tuesday, March 17th, through April 15th, and no eviction orders will be entered during this time. Additionally, Sheriff Tom Dart has announced that the [Sheriff's Office will not be enforcing Eviction Orders](#) until further notice. (Keep in mind that even though courts may not be hearing eviction cases, renters should still be responsive to any lawful notices (5-day or 10-day notices) so that they can remain in their homes after this public health crisis passes.)
- The city has suspended debt collection of parking tickets, late fees, etc., and will not be shutting off water for non-payment through April 30.

COVID-19 RESPONSE

ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FOR ILLINOIS FAMILIES

The Pritzker Administration and its local partners are working to help families affected by COVID-19:

APPLY FOR UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

if you're without access to paid sick leave or unable to work because of COVID-19

**CALL IDES AT 1-800-244-5631 OR
VISIT <https://www2.illinois.gov/ides>**

Gov. Pritzker called for a moratorium on shutoffs for all utility companies - including energy, telecom and water - and several have announced plans to maintain services and waive late payment fees

Cook County is suspending court-ordered evictions

The Pritzker Administration is filing a federal waiver to expand Medicaid services

HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT COVID-19? ☎ 1-800-889-3931 🌐 DPH.ILLINOIS.GOV

35th Ward Specific updates:

http://www.aldermancarlosrosa.org/coronavirus?utm_campaign=covid_19update3_16_20&utm_medium=email&utm_source=carlosrosa

Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing plan for safeguarding renters:

<https://mailchi.mp/b0bd97d6a29c/lcbhs-plan-for-safeguarding-renters-rights-during-covid-19?e=b92018dd8d>

Here is information for online AA and NA meetings:

AA: <http://aa-intergroup.org/directory.php>

AA with ASL interpreters:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1k1NmYvwVsOoKko1nHFvm-IUP8--w_88pLw3irQM-RCw/htmlview

NA: [https://www.na.org/meetingsearch/text-](https://www.na.org/meetingsearch/text-results.php?country=Web&state&city&zip&street&within=5&day=0&lang&orderby=distance)

[results.php?country=Web&state&city&zip&street&within=5&day=0&lang&orderby=distance](https://www.na.org/meetingsearch/text-results.php?country=Web&state&city&zip&street&within=5&day=0&lang&orderby=distance)

Kids' meals and park district programs, info on how to get free wifi

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1JQiGRz7Z9vbW8UuwuSYJDOjZeLxt2Yul/view?usp=sharing>

The free meals being distributed at Chicago public schools are for **any child**. It does not matter if a child attends of CPS public school or not. Schools will be closed at least through April 20, 2020.

Kids' learning links, social-emotional intelligence activities, food pantry information

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1AYuSQXMAi5nMSV82rG5vZKeN0tm_ovmy/view?usp=sharing

Bartender Emergency Assistance Program: <https://www.usbqfoundation.org/beap>

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families provides financial assistance to expectant mothers and families with one or more children.

Adults with children under 19 years old qualify. Individuals must live in Illinois and meet certain immigration requirements, according to the government website.

Recipients of TANF may also qualify for medical assistance and SNAP benefits.

Individuals can apply [here](#).

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Under an [emergency coronavirus bill](#), which recently passed the House of Representatives and is set to go to the Senate floor, will suspend the work and work training requirements for SNAP during the coronavirus pandemic, according to the New York Times.

Apply [here](#) for SNAP assistance.

Illinois Medicaid

Low-income adults between 19 to 64 years, who make under 133 percent are eligible for Medicaid. That means \$12,760 for individuals, \$17,240 for a family of two, \$21,720 for a family of three, and \$26,200 for a family of four.

Last week, Gov. JB Pritzker announced plans to file a federal waiver requesting funds to expand Medicaid coverage during the coronavirus outbreak.

The federal waiver, if approved, will expand Medicaid services, increase access across the state and provide greater services to vulnerable populations, [according to a Sun-Times report](#).

Those with questions and concerns about coronavirus can call the Illinois Department of Public Health at 1- 800-889-3931.

Mental Health Resources: National Alliance on Mental Illness

NAMI Helpline

800-950-NAMI

info@nami.org

M-F, 10 am - 6 pm ET

OR TEXT "NAMI" TO 741741