

## HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION PROGRAM

The Homelessness Prevention Program is intended to prevent homelessness by meeting the emergency housing needs of York Region residents who do not receive financial assistance from Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program so they are able to stabilize their housing situation.

To meet emergency housing needs, money from the Homelessness Prevention Program may help with costs such as:

- First and last month's rent
- Rental arrears
- Utility arrears
- Utility security deposit
- Utility reconnection fees
- Moving costs
- Assistance with mortgage payments or arrears
- Replacement costs for identification
- Compensation for urgent medical needs
- Landlord and tenant mediation

## WHO CAN APPLY

- Must be a resident of York Region (Town of Aurora, Town of East Gwillimbury, Town of Georgina, Township of King, City of Markham, Town of Newmarket, City of Richmond Hill, City of Vaughan, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville) and do not receive financial assistance from Ontario Works or Ontario Disability Support Program
- Canadian citizens, permanent residents or refugees
- Can verify they are under threat of losing their housing, utility service disconnection, or are homeless or living in a temporary shelter
- Intend to continue to live in York Region. Residency exceptions may be waived to move residents out or in the region to support housing affordability, employment and/or closer family supports.
- Total accommodation costs must be sustainable when compared to monthly income
- Household income is equal to or less than the amounts noted below:

Family Size	Income
1 person	\$40,848
2 Persons	\$57,768
3 Persons	\$70,750
4 Persons	\$81,696
5 Persons	\$91,338
6 Persons	\$100,056
7 or more Persons	\$108,074

## HOW TO APPLY

Intake is completed through Access York, Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Toll free at 1-877-464-9675 | TTY: 1-866-512-6228 or 905-895-4293 (for deaf & hard of hearing)