



Keep Oakland HOUSED

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Keep Oakland Housed is committed to preventing Oakland residents from losing their housing by providing legal representation, emergency financial assistance, and supportive services.

Three nonprofit partners will work together to keep Oakland residents housed:

- > [Bay Area Community Services](#)
- > [Catholic Charities of the East Bay](#)
- > [East Bay Community Law Center.](#)

The program is made possible by \$9 million in funding from [Kaiser Permanente](#) and the [San Francisco Foundation](#), which also serves as administrator of the program. The City of Oakland is supporting Keep Oakland Housed with City resources including staff support and fundraising.

Who is eligible to receive services?

All Oakland residents experiencing a housing crisis who have a household income at or below 50% of Area Median Income, with priority to extremely low-income households. Legal representation will be provided to tenants with an active eviction lawsuit.

HOW TO GET HELP

Call 211 or reach out directly to the agencies.

LEGAL REPRESENTATION

East Bay Community Law Center (EBCLC):

510-548-4040
ask for housing intake

EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORTIVE SERVICES

Bay Area Community Services (BACS):

510-238-5091

Catholic Charities of the East Bay:

510-768-3100

Alameda County, California

Income Limit Area	Median Family Income (Gross)	Income Limit Category	1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
Oakland	\$104,400	Very Low (50%) Income Limits	\$40,700	\$46,500	\$52,300	\$58,100	\$62,750	\$67,400	\$72,050	\$76,700

What is a housing crisis for purposes of this program?

A housing crisis is any current condition in which a person or household who is currently housed is at-risk of losing that housing. Conditions that could lead to a housing crisis include, but are not limited to, any situation that could give rise to a landlord attempting to evict a tenant. *Examples include:*

- > a tenant not having money to pay their rent,
- > conditions that could allow a landlord to claim a tenant is in violation of a provision of the lease,
- > conditions that could allow a landlord to claim that the tenant has substantially damaged the unit,
- > the owner or family member wants to move into the unit,
- > the owner wants to remove the unit from the market through the Ellis act, and
- > the owner wants to perform substantial upgrades to the unit which cannot be completed with the tenant living there.

Is there a limit to the amount or frequency of the financial assistance?

Generally, up to \$7,000 per individual/family is supported. If there is a need above this amount, the agencies will work to determine whether that need can be supported.

Will a check be written directly to residents?

No. Keep Oakland Housed will only create and send checks to landlords or third-party providers who provide a valid W-9. If funds are for additional crisis needs, funds will be paid to the vendor directly.

If a resident is already receiving support from one organization, can they go to the other organizations for further support?

No. All three agencies are working together. If further support is needed, the request will be reviewed by members of Keep Oakland Housed.

What should residents do if they receive an eviction notice or lawsuit?

For residents requiring expedited service about an eviction notice:

[East Bay Community Law Center](#)
510-548-4040

For adults (18-54 years old):

[Bay Area Community Services](#)
510-238-5091

For seniors (55+) and families with children under 18:

[Catholic Charities of the East Bay](#)
510-768-3100

For residents who have been served with an eviction LAWSUIT (Unlawful Detainer):

Contact the East Bay Community Law Center at 510-548-4040.

How can others support Keep Oakland Housed?

Individuals interested in helping Oakland residents remain securely in their homes may give directly to the three agencies via their websites. Foundations and corporate funders who would like to support Keep Oakland Housed should contact Jackie Downing at the San Francisco Foundation at donorservices@sff.org or 415-733-8590.

WHAT DOCUMENTATION IS REQUIRED TO RECEIVE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE?

- > Completed application with Housing Crisis documentation
- > ID or other proof of identify if ID not available
- > Proof of Income
- > W-9 from landlord or new lease agreement