

## **ABOUT THE PROGRAM**

Our VERAP program's mission is to help alleviate income pressure on tenants and landlords and restore stability to the rental community. We want to help empower eligible tenants and their landlords to work together to improve, rebuild and transform their communities and their lives for the better.

The program will offer relief to landlords on behalf of renters and tenants experiencing financial difficulties due to the COVID-19 pandemic through its 2nd round of federal funding for the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP).

## HOW IT CAN HELP

VERAP helps tenant households with paying rent, past-due rent balances (a.k.a. arrears) dating back to April 1, 2020, utility and home energy costs including arrears, and other expenses related to housing. Rent expenses include rent, rent arrears. Utilities include separately stated electricity, gas, water, sewer, trash removal and energy costs, such as fuel oil.



For a complete list of the eligibility criteria and requirements please visit

## www.VSHA.org

## LANDLORD ELIGIBILITY

Landlords who wish to participate must apply/register so their tenants can add them to their applications. The following data elements will be collected with each landlord application.

- Full Name
- Address, City, State, Zip
- Tax ID# or EIN
- Email
- Phone
- Attestation (with eSignature at end of application) that:
  - The rental unit complies with Vermont's Life Safety Code requirements
  - They will not increase the rent for the number of months receiving benefits / period of assistance.
  - Make reasonable efforts to engage in weatherization activities and programs.
- Landlords will need to furnish IRS form W-9