



**pennsylvania**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

**Emergency Rental  
Assistance Program (ERAP)**

**Quarterly Report**

**October – December 2023**



## Background

The Department of Human Services (DHS) is pleased to submit this report, as required by Act 2021-24, Article I-D of the Fiscal Code, 72 P.S. §103-D (a)(7.1) and (8):

Powers and duties.--The department shall have the power and duty to: prepare a quarterly consolidated report with information from all counties submitted under section 104-E(4) and shall submit the report on a quarterly basis to the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the Senate and the chairperson and minority chairperson of the Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives. The report shall also be posted and maintained on the department's publicly accessible Internet website.

The report shall include the following information:

- I. The total amount of funds received by a county.
- II. The total amount of funds spent by a county for services under section 102-E(a).
- III. The total number of households that applied for assistance.
- IV. The total number of households that received assistance.
- V. The total amount of funding sought by services under section 102-Ea).
- VI. The total amount of assistance provided by services under section 102-E(a).
- VII. An itemization of all expenditures for administrative costs.

Act 24 of 2021 authorized DHS to implement the Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP2). The federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, (Pub. L. 117-2) allocated \$500,166,870.00 directly to Pennsylvania to assist those affected by or during COVID-19 by providing funding for certain past, current and future rental and utility expenses. Of that allocation, \$10,000,000.00 is allocated to be used by DHS for administrative costs. Funding was allocated to all counties based on percentage of population minus any direct federal allocation per Section 102-E(c) of the Act. (See Tables 2, 4 and 6 for monthly allocations and expended/remaining funds.) A maximum of 13 percent of each county's allocated ERAP2 funds may be used for the costs of administration and 10 percent to provide housing stability services. Eighteen counties and one city received a separate allocation directly from the United States Treasury in addition to the funding allocated to them in accordance with Act 24 of 2021.

DHS officially launched ERAP2 on September 1, 2021. ERAP2 funds were initially used in tandem with the ERAP1 program. ERAP2 expanded eligibility for the program by providing assistance to households that experienced a financial hardship and housing instability during COVID-19. (See Tables 1, 3 and 5 for application data).

The total allocation amounts used in the DHS Allocation column reflect total ERAP2 Funds inclusive of the high-needs funds. Initial ERAP2 allocations were released in September 2021 with subsequent disbursements made in January and February 2022.

## **Definitions**

DHS uses the following definitions in this report:

- Rental Assistance - includes assistance for rent arrears, current rent, future rent, and utilities included as a part of the rent payment per the rental agreement
- Utility Assistance - includes payment for utilities, utility arrearages and future utility payments not included as a part of the rent
- Other Expenses Related to Housing – includes, but is not limited to, assistance with relocation expenses, rental fees, reasonable late fees, internet for work or home schooling (at county option).
- Housing Stability Services - services provided to coordinate the activities necessary for the client to obtain or retain housing including, but not limited to, case management and other services intended to keep households stably housed

***NOTE: This report reflects emergency rental assistance as implemented with funds allocated per Act 24 of 2021 and does not include expenditures of funds received by local municipalities directly from the United States Treasury.***

***All figures below reflect self-reported data by the county as of December 31, 2023 and may reflect the county made corrections for previous months.***

***As counties are now increasingly exhausting their available funds, reports now include accounting and reconciliation of accrued interest.***

## **ERAP2**

### **APPLICATIONS September 1, 2021 – December 31, 2023**

Total number of households that applied for assistance:	176,355
Total number of households that received assistance:	105,240
Total number of households denied assistance:	64,207
Total number of applications pending at end of December 2023:	6,908

## **ERAP2**

### **FISCAL September 1, 2021 – December 31, 2023**

Total state funds allocated:	\$ 490,166,870.00
Interest gained:	\$ 887,396.47
Emergency Rental Assistance paid as of December 31, 2023:	\$ 359,335,791.66
Rental Assistance	\$ 319,086,790.75
Utility Assistance	\$ 28,106,361.98
Other Expenses Related to Housing	\$ 12,142,638.93
Housing Stability Services paid as of December 31, 2023:	\$ 8,650,211.01
County administrative costs paid as of December 31, 2023:	\$ 35,965,484.01
Personnel	\$ 18,744,903.36
Operating	\$ 9,164,328.81
Purchased Services	\$ 8,056,251.84
Total amount paid as of December 31, 2023:	\$ 403,951,486.68
Total amount of funds remaining:	\$ 87,102,779.79
Total amount obligated as of December 31, 2023:	\$ 1,881,339.48
Total amount of funds remaining after obligations:	\$ 85,221,440.31

TABLE 1: ERAP1 APPLICATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES  
DECEMBER 31, 2023

County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Adams	2,179	1,975	174	30
Allegheny	8,788	8,646	142	0
Armstrong	1,629	1,119	506	4
Beaver	2,056	1,911	62	83
Bedford	892	642	250	0
Berks	1,919	1,627	292	0
Blair	2,612	1,202	1,198	212
Bradford	885	652	230	3
Bucks	4,987	4,964	0	23
Butler	5,591	4,685	906	0
Cambria	1,522	465	909	148
Cameron	224	189	35	0
Carbon	846	790	56	0
Centre	2,355	1,895	460	0
Chester	2,358	2,155	0	203
Clarion	985	599	159	227
Clearfield	2,622	1,013	1,609	0
Clinton	1,483	646	558	279
Columbia	1,412	1,171	241	0
Crawford	1,087	1,082	5	0
Cumberland	0	0	0	0
Dauphin	1,868	348	755	765
Delaware	11,809	3,324	8,485	0
Elk	1,063	922	119	22
Erie	3,296	2,467	792	37
Fayette	3,126	1,506	1,620	0
Forest	34	27	7	0
Franklin	3,218	3,012	196	10
Fulton	395	360	35	0
Greene	226	129	97	0
Huntingdon	892	511	224	157
Indiana	2,424	1,620	653	151
Jefferson	1,341	725	523	93
Juniata	390	259	128	3
Lackawanna	1,651	535	1,116	0
Lancaster	5,742	4,379	1,363	0

TABLE 1: ERAP2 APPLICATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES  
AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Lawrence	1,092	1,086	6	0
Lebanon	2,432	1,670	744	18
Lehigh	5,966	1,917	3,283	766
Luzerne	4,401	4,087	247	67
Lycoming	3,025	1,441	738	846
McKean	309	236	68	5
Mercer	1,704	1,485	219	0
Mifflin	1,163	772	381	10
Monroe <sup>#</sup>	4,003	1,495	1,062	1,446
Montgomery	6,520	5,937	533	50
Montour	368	275	60	33
Northampton	1,584	1,443	141	0
Northumberland	3,143	1,308	1,467	368
Perry	595	508	87	0
Philadelphia	36,190	8,761	27,429	0
Pike	985	763	222	0
Potter	244	224	20	0
Schuylkill	2,148	1,779	341	28
Snyder	860	699	34	127
Somerset	1,048	298	684	66
Sullivan	20	14	6	0
Susquehanna	578	443	126	9
Tioga	1,076	755	299	22
Union	759	617	63	79
Venango	554	394	160	0
Warren	573	507	62	4
Washington	5,110	4,727	383	0
Wayne	621	339	258	24
Westmoreland	2,001	1,612	237	152
Wyoming	230	214	1	15
York	3,146	1,882	941	323
<b>State Total</b>	<b>176,355</b>	<b>105,240</b>	<b>64,207</b>	<b>6,908</b>

*\*Shaded counties did not report any applications as of December 31, 2023.*

*# DHS continues to work with counties to reconcile application and fiscal history as needed*

TABLE 2: ERAP2 ALLOCATIONS AND EXPENDED FUNDS  
AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2023

County	Amount of Direct Federal Allocation Received	DHS Allocation	DHS funds Expended Program to Date	DHS funds Remaining YTD	DHS funds Obligated as of December 31	DHS Allocation after Obligations
Adams	\$0	\$6,158,056.37	\$5,700,377.89	\$457,678.48	\$0.00	\$457,678.48
Allegheny	\$39,672,916.30	\$37,918,216.04	\$23,924,513.13	\$13,993,702.91	\$1,554,007.07	\$12,439,695.84
Armstrong	\$0	\$3,568,098.63	\$3,114,732.31	\$453,366.32	\$0.00	\$453,366.32
Beaver	\$0	\$6,411,062.37	\$4,790,089.48	\$1,620,972.89	\$163,176.48	\$1,457,796.41
Bedford	\$0	\$1,980,337.05	\$1,836,507.80	\$143,829.25	\$0.00	\$143,829.25
Berks	\$12,656,511.90	\$12,711,796.54	\$12,293,725.12	\$418,071.42	\$0.00	\$418,071.42
Blair	\$0	\$6,861,502.43	\$5,115,116.12	\$1,746,386.31	\$0.00	\$1,746,386.31
Bradford	\$0	\$3,324,908.87	\$3,047,887.75	\$277,021.12	\$0.00	\$277,021.12
Bucks	\$14,812,668.30	\$20,171,804.84	\$19,843,813.46	\$327,991.38	\$0.00	\$327,991.38
Butler <sup>#</sup>	\$0	\$10,717,370.00	\$10,717,370.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Cambria	\$0	\$3,558,981.11	\$2,574,037.64	\$984,943.47	\$0.00	\$984,943.47
Cameron	\$0	\$251,171.61	\$251,171.61	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Carbon	\$0	\$3,546,196.68	\$2,402,105.05	\$1,144,091.63	\$0.00	\$1,144,091.63
Centre	\$0	\$9,380,076.57	\$5,629,652.51	\$3,750,424.06	\$0.00	\$3,750,424.06
Chester	\$12,377,621.00	\$16,682,343.84	\$10,015,695.93	\$6,666,647.91	\$22,060.22	\$6,644,587.69
Clarion	\$0	\$2,659,986.55	\$2,153,699.71	\$506,286.84	\$0.00	\$506,286.84
Clearfield	\$0	\$4,371,518.09	\$4,329,927.74	\$41,590.35	\$0.00	\$41,590.35
Clinton	\$0	\$2,645,327.80	\$2,400,095.03	\$245,232.77	\$70,351.00	\$174,881.77
Columbia	\$0	\$4,108,351.41	\$3,509,704.17	\$598,647.24	\$0.00	\$598,647.24
Crawford	\$0	\$4,690,704.59	\$3,832,692.54	\$858,012.05	\$542.15	\$857,469.90
Cumberland	\$5,973,682.90	\$2,021,870.09	\$0.00	\$2,021,870.09	\$0.00	\$2,021,870.09
Dauphin	\$6,561,431.80	\$9,225,132.40	\$2,712,079.33	\$6,513,053.07	\$3,577.00	\$6,509,476.07
Delaware <sup>#</sup>	\$13,362,145.80	\$20,414,774.37	\$20,414,774.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elk	\$0	\$1,425,866.59	\$1,279,758.76	\$146,107.83	\$0.00	\$146,107.83
Erie	\$6,359,354.10	\$11,868,943.54	\$9,120,007.60	\$2,748,935.94	\$0.00	\$2,748,935.94

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Fayette	\$0	\$7,711,894.05	\$6,866,604.85	\$845,289.20	\$15,516.40	\$829,772.80
Forest	\$0	\$175,991.34	\$89,666.11	\$86,325.23	\$0.00	\$86,325.23
Franklin	\$0	\$9,782,457.48	\$8,893,373.36	\$889,084.12	\$0.00	\$889,084.12
Fulton <sup>#</sup>	\$0	\$806,106.84	\$806,106.84	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Greene	\$0	\$1,972,060.29	\$458,454.91	\$1,513,605.38	\$0.00	\$1,513,605.38
Huntingdon	\$0	\$1,799,375.26	\$1,573,209.04	\$226,166.22	\$0.00	\$226,166.22
Indiana	\$0	\$4,721,039.00	\$4,613,804.28	\$107,234.72	\$9,159.94	\$98,074.78
Jefferson	\$0	\$2,416,871.79	\$1,957,114.24	\$459,757.55	\$0.00	\$459,757.55
Juniata	\$0	\$886,678.26	\$712,835.65	\$173,842.61	\$0.00	\$173,842.61
Lackawanna	\$4,943,466.10	\$6,911,285.49	\$3,590,102.55	\$3,321,182.94	\$0.00	\$3,321,182.94
Lancaster	\$12,866,488.30	\$17,776,247.49	\$10,960,193.21	\$6,816,054.28	\$0.00	\$6,816,054.28
Lawrence	\$0	\$5,275,344.87	\$5,059,747.79	\$215,597.08	\$0.00	\$215,597.08
Lebanon	\$0	\$7,887,987.61	\$7,830,186.43	\$57,801.18	\$0.00	\$57,801.18
Lehigh <sup>#</sup>	\$11,788,108.60	\$11,473,982.92	\$11,447,215.70	\$26,767.22	\$0.00	\$26,767.22
Luzerne	\$7,483,713.60	\$12,278,521.27	\$12,276,599.66	\$1,921.61	\$0.00	\$1,921.61
Lycoming	\$0	\$6,937,037.47	\$6,937,037.47	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
McKean	\$0	\$1,806,805.44	\$829,115.56	\$977,689.88	\$0.00	\$977,689.88
Mercer	\$0	\$6,083,342.81	\$6,083,342.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mifflin	\$0	\$2,115,125.61	\$1,728,339.16	\$386,786.45	\$0.00	\$386,786.45
Monroe	\$0	\$11,865,060.89	\$8,678,420.84	\$3,186,640.05	\$0.00	\$3,186,640.05
Montgomery	\$24,379,049.70	\$29,334,445.68	\$27,449,932.42	\$1,884,513.26	\$0.00	\$1,884,513.26
Montour	\$0	\$1,009,520.13	\$888,350.16	\$121,169.97	\$0.00	\$121,169.97
Northampton	\$7,197,678.50	\$9,819,543.05	\$8,459,470.34	\$1,360,072.71	\$0.00	\$1,360,072.71
Northumberland	\$0	\$5,053,740.80	\$4,036,585.15	\$1,017,155.65	\$0.00	\$1,017,155.65
Perry <sup>#</sup>	\$0	\$1,965,363.73	\$1,965,363.73	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00



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Philadelphia	\$58,391,497.30	\$60,212,550.14	\$52,376,578.76	\$7,835,971.38	\$0.00	\$7,835,971.38
Pike	\$0	\$3,593,837.86	\$3,409,065.70	\$184,772.16	\$10,924.71	\$173,847.45
Potter	\$0	\$671,925.50	\$460,420.21	\$211,505.29	\$0.00	\$211,505.29
Schuylkill	\$0	\$7,841,209.45	\$6,915,921.34	\$925,288.11	\$0.00	\$925,288.11
Snyder	\$0	\$2,205,899.17	\$1,976,385.34	\$229,513.83	\$14,677.32	\$214,836.51
Somerset	\$0	\$1,781,530.91	\$641,078.88	\$1,140,452.03	\$0.00	\$1,140,452.03
Sullivan	\$0	\$87,375.79	\$49,144.93	\$38,230.86	\$0.00	\$38,230.86
Susquehanna	\$0	\$1,544,282.16	\$1,323,793.88	\$220,488.28	\$0.00	\$220,488.28
Tioga	\$0	\$2,256,459.78	\$2,114,904.32	\$141,555.46	\$10,493.19	\$131,062.27
Union	\$0	\$2,551,162.85	\$1,758,541.67	\$792,621.18	\$1,104.00	\$791,517.18
Venango	\$0	\$1,742,582.67	\$1,742,582.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Warren	\$0	\$1,838,545.55	\$1,571,810.31	\$266,735.24	\$0.00	\$266,735.24
Washington	\$4,877,238.50	\$6,530,211.16	\$6,423,224.13	\$106,987.03	\$0.00	\$106,987.03
Wayne	\$0	\$2,116,915.23	\$974,366.89	\$1,142,548.34	\$5,750.00	\$1,136,798.34
Westmoreland	\$8,225,962.00	\$6,551,091.45	\$5,266,515.75	\$1,284,575.70	\$0.00	\$1,284,575.70
Wyoming	\$0	\$677,495.32	\$473,029.36	\$204,465.96	\$0.00	\$204,465.96
York	\$10,587,402.30	\$14,310,963.53	\$11,273,415.23	\$3,037,548.30	\$0.00	\$3,037,548.30
<b>State Total</b>	<b>\$262,516,937.00</b>	<b>\$491,054,266.47</b>	<b>\$403,951,486.68</b>	<b>\$87,102,779.79</b>	<b>\$1,881,339.48</b>	<b>\$85,221,440.31</b>

*\*Shaded counties did not report any DHS ERAP2 funds paid or obligated as of December 31, 2023*

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*DHS Allocation includes any interest that the county reported as of December 31, 2023*