



Pandemic Relief Limited-Time Supplemental Grant

Frequently Asked Questions

In support of our Opens Doors families during the global pandemic, the Foundation is accepting applications for a supplemental, second month of rental or mortgage assistance.

Q. Who is eligible to submit an application for supplemental support?

A. Eligible grantees include those who have already received a one-month grant award for February, March, and April 2021 and those applying for grants now through the December 2021 grant cycle (deadline for submissions is November 10, 2021).

Q. What are the criteria for eligibility for a supplemental grant?

A. Families with a child who has been hospitalized for 15 or more days or have a combination of 25 days of in-patient and professional in-home care since January 1, 2021. Families must be within 60 days of current on their housing payment and should provide a rental receipt or mortgage statement.

Q. Currently, a family must wait 12 months from the time a grant is awarded, to apply for another grant. If a family receives a supplemental grant, when can the family next apply for a grant?

A. A family is eligible to reapply for an Opens Doors grant 12 months from the date in which they last received a grant. In other words, a family who receives a supplemental grant after receiving their first grant, must wait 12 months from the date in which the supplemental grant was awarded to apply for another grant.

Q. How much is the supplemental grant?

A. The supplemental grant is the amount of rent or mortgage a family pays, up to \$2,500.

Q. What is the maximum grant amount?

A. Each grant has a maximum of \$2,500 of support, not to exceed \$5,000 in a 12-month period.

Q. How long is the supplemental grant support available?

A. This time limited support is available until the December 1, 2021 grant cycle.

Q. What is the last day in which a family can submit a supplemental grant application?

A. The deadline for submitting a supplemental grant application is November 10, 2021.

Q. Are there any changes to the criteria for the standard, one month grant application?

A. No. All other qualifications for the Home Grant Program remain unchanged.

Q. Do both the standard application and a supplemental application need to be submitted, and can I submit them at the same time?

A. Yes, both applications are required and can be submitted at the same time. If the standard application has already been submitted for February, March, April, or May 2021, only the supplemental grant application needs to be submitted.

Q. Who is responsible for communicating with their lender or rental agency about the grant?

A. It is the responsibility of the grantee to verify with their mortgage lender or rental agency how the lump payment is applied, (i.e., we recommend that mortgage/rental grantees notify their lender/landlord immediately upon notification of the grant award to request that the grant funds be applied to the next two housing payments due).

Q. If I have questions about the standard application or the supplemental application, who can I contact?

A. All questions should be directed to applications@mbaopensdoors.org