

**General Assistance Emergency Housing Assistance
Prioritization Policy 2024/2025**

Effective Date: 9/15/2024

During times where the number of eligible households exceeds 90% of the 1,100 per night room cap, or 90% of hotel capacity during time periods when the 1,100 per night room cap is not in place, the department will prioritize providing emergency housing assistance.

A. Priority Populations

a. Has a member who:

- i. Is a child 19 years of age or under
- ii. Is pregnant
- iii. Is experiencing domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, human trafficking, hate violence, or other dangerous or life-threatening conditions related to violence against the individual that caused the household to lose its housing
- iv. Is 65 years of age or older
- v. Is otherwise categorically eligible and includes a member who is 50 years of age or older

B. Length of Authorization

- a. Priority populations will be granted in up-to 28 day increments
- b. All others will be granted in up-to-4 day increments

C. Applying with ESD

a. Priority populations

- i. Can submit an application for emergency housing between the hours of 8am and 4:30pm Monday through Friday
- ii. Can reapply for housing up to 10 days in advance of the end date of their current authorization

b. All others

- i. Can submit an application for emergency housing between the hours of 12pm and 4:30pm Monday through Friday
- ii. Can reapply for housing on the day their current authorization ends