FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Pinellas CARES Financial Assistance for Individuals





If you meet the qualifications at right, text **COVIDCARES** to **898211** to get the process started.

If you or your family have lost a job or income due to impacts from the COVID-19 pandemic, you may qualify for one-time financial assistance to pay for basic expenses such as rent and utilities.

Do you qualify?

You qualify if you answer yes to all four questions:

- 1. Did you lose your job or a portion of income as a direct result of the COVID-19 pandemic? (For example, your workplace shut down under state or local orders.) You will be required to provide documentation. Examples: paystubs, a letter from employer, proof of employer business closure.
- 2. Right now (the month when you apply), does your household income qualify?
- 3. Do you have less than \$4000 in liquid assets? (cash, savings and checking).
- 4. Are you a legal Pinellas **County resident?** Proof of citizenship or legal residency and **Pinellas County** residency required.

Number of People in Household:	Income the Month You Apply Can Be No More Than:
1	\$2,127
2	\$2,873
3	\$3,620
4	\$4,367
5	\$5,113
6	\$5,860
7	\$6,607
8	\$7,353

You can only apply for assistance to cover COVID-19-related costs that have not already been paid for by insurance or by another federal program.

If you meet all of the qualifications, text COVIDCARES to 898211 to begin your application. If you cannot send text messages, call 2-1-1 to speak with someone who can assist you.



