



**pennsylvania**

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

**Emergency Rental  
Assistance Program (ERAP)**

**Quarterly Report**

**January – March 2024**



## 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).
- I.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 March 31, 2024 and may reflect the county made corrections for previous months.***

**ERAP2**

**APPLICATIONS September 1, 2021 – March 31, 2024**

Total number of households that applied for assistance:	180,151
Total number of households that received assistance:	109,198
Total number of households denied assistance:	68,099
Total number of applications pending at end of March 2024:	2,854

**ERAP2**

**FISCAL September 1, 2021 – March 31, 2024**

Total state funds allocated:	\$ 490,166,870.01
Interest gained:	\$ 950,769.43
Emergency Rental Assistance paid as of March 31, 2024:	\$ 373,647,532.21
Rental Assistance	\$ 331,924,898.07
Utility Assistance	\$ 28,820,079.18
Other Expenses Related to Housing	\$ 12,902,554.96
Housing Stability Services paid as of March 31, 2024:	\$ 9,211,578.72
County administrative costs paid as of March 31, 2024:	\$ 37,898,063.20
Personnel	\$ 19,798,702.97
Operating	\$ 9,659,492.40
Purchased Services	\$ 8,439,867.83
Total amount paid as of March 31, 2024:	\$ 420,757,174.13
Total amount of funds remaining:	\$ 70,360,465.31
Total amount obligated as of March 31, 2024:	\$ 2,257,079.13
Total amount of funds remaining after obligations:	\$ 68,103,386.18

TABLE 1: ERAP1 APPLICATIONS AND DISPOSITIONS AS REPORTED BY COUNTIES  
MARCH 31, 2024

County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Adams	2,248	2,048	187	13
Allegheny <sup>#</sup>	10,120	9,869	251	0
Armstrong	1,683	1,147	531	5
Beaver	2,326	2,215	62	49
Bedford	892	642	250	0
Berks	1,950	1,658	292	0
Blair	2,612	1,304	1,198	110
Bradford	923	683	236	4
Bucks	5,030	5,007	0	23
Butler	5,591	4,685	906	0
Cambria	1,523	479	918	126
Cameron	224	189	35	0
Carbon	846	790	56	0
Centre	2,538	2,067	471	0
Chester	2,839	2,816	0	23
Clarion	985	599	159	227
Clearfield	2,622	1,013	1,609	0
Clinton	1,522	691	607	224
Columbia	1,412	1,171	241	0
Crawford	1,087	1,082	5	0
Cumberland	0	0	0	0
Dauphin	1,900	388	963	549
Delaware	11,809	3,324	8,485	0
Elk	1,095	946	140	9
Erie	3,383	2,504	879	0
Fayette	3,126	1,506	1,620	0
Forest	36	27	9	0
Franklin	3,358	3,136	208	14
Fulton	395	360	35	0
Greene	226	129	97	0
Huntingdon	892	511	224	157
Indiana	2,424	1,654	770	0
Jefferson	1,431	764	591	76
Juniata	401	272	129	0
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 MARCH 31, 2024

County	Applications Received	Applications Approved	Applications Denied	Applications Pending
Lawrence	1,093	1,087	6	0
Lebanon	2,452	1,690	762	0
Lehigh <sup>#</sup>	5,966	1,917	4,049	0
Luzerne	4,401	4,087	314	0
Lycoming	3,025	1,441	1,584	0
McKean	390	297	83	10
Mercer	1,704	1,485	219	0
Mifflin	1,200	814	386	0
Monroe <sup>#</sup>	4,011	1,518	1,892	601
Montgomery	6,585	5,975	603	7
Montour	386	288	98	0
Northampton	1,584	1,443	141	0
Northumberland	3,143	1,374	1,581	188
Perry	595	508	87	0
Philadelphia	36,190	8,761	27,429	0
Pike	985	763	222	0
Potter	274	249	20	5
Schuylkill	2,194	1,818	349	27
Snyder	907	755	147	5
Somerset	1,119	314	720	85
Sullivan	26	20	6	0
Susquehanna <sup>#</sup>	627	494	126	7
Tioga	1,134	801	331	2
Union	839	679	122	38
Venango	554	394	160	0
Warren	575	510	65	0
Washington	5,110	4,727	383	0
Wayne <sup>#</sup>	705	395	289	21
Westmoreland	2,001	1,730	264	7
Wyoming	254	238	1	15
York	3,280	2,036	1,017	227
<b>State Total</b>	<b>180,151</b>	<b>109,198</b>	<b>68,099</b>	<b>2,854</b>

*\*Shaded counties did not report any applications as of March 31, 2024.*

*# 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 MARCH 31, 2024

County	Amount of Direct Federal Allocation Received	DHS Allocation	DHS funds Expended Program to Date	DHS funds Remaining YTD	DHS funds Obligated as of March 31	DHS Allocation after Obligations
Adams	\$0	\$6,158,056.37	\$5,912,523.04	\$245,533.33	\$0.00	\$245,533.33
Allegheny <sup>#</sup>	\$39,672,916.30	\$37,918,216.04	\$29,143,203.20	\$8,775,012.84	\$1,936,882.54	\$6,838,130.30
Armstrong	\$0	\$3,568,098.63	\$3,181,467.62	\$386,631.01	\$0.00	\$386,631.01
Beaver	\$0	\$6,411,062.37	\$5,323,560.06	\$1,087,502.31	\$122,278.08	\$965,224.23
Bedford	\$0	\$1,980,337.05	\$1,854,929.52	\$125,407.53	\$0.00	\$125,407.53
Berks	\$12,656,511.90	\$12,711,796.54	\$12,588,972.65	\$122,823.89	\$0.00	\$122,823.89
Blair	\$0	\$6,861,502.43	\$5,624,757.51	\$1,236,744.92	\$0.00	\$1,236,744.92
Bradford <sup>#</sup>	\$0	\$3,324,908.87	\$3,324,908.87	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Bucks	\$14,812,668.30	\$20,171,804.84	\$20,055,176.87	\$116,627.97	\$0.00	\$116,627.97
Butler	\$0	\$10,717,370.00	\$10,717,369.85	\$0.15	\$0.00	\$0.15
Cambria	\$0	\$3,558,981.11	\$2,677,485.81	\$881,495.30	\$0.00	\$881,495.30
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	\$6,383,020.11	\$2,997,056.46	\$0.00	\$2,997,056.46
Chester	\$12,377,621.00	\$16,682,343.84	\$13,398,413.72	\$3,283,930.12	\$21,120.00	\$3,262,810.12
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	\$2,559,919.17	\$85,408.63	\$68,561.00	\$16,847.63
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	\$507.49	\$857,504.56
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	\$2,990,659.51	\$6,234,472.89	\$0.00	\$6,234,472.89
Delaware	\$13,362,145.80	\$20,414,774.37	\$20,414,774.37	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Elk	\$0	\$1,425,866.59	\$1,334,222.43	\$91,644.16	\$0.00	\$91,644.16
Erie	\$6,359,354.10	\$11,868,943.54	\$9,314,390.80	\$2,554,552.74	\$0.00	\$2,554,552.74

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Fayette	\$0	\$7,711,894.05	\$6,900,506.55	\$811,387.50	\$0.00	\$811,387.50
Forest	\$0	\$175,991.34	\$90,722.76	\$85,268.58	\$0.00	\$85,268.58
Franklin	\$0	\$9,782,457.48	\$9,191,767.02	\$590,690.46	\$0.00	\$590,690.46
Fulton <sup>#</sup>	\$0	\$805,607.84	\$805,607.84	\$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	\$1,575,173.83	\$224,201.43	\$0.00	\$224,201.43
Indiana]	\$0	\$4,784,910.97	\$4,781,231.34	\$3,679.63	\$0.00	\$3,679.63
Jefferson	\$0	\$2,416,871.79	\$2,070,924.73	\$345,947.06	\$0.00	\$345,947.06
Juniata	\$0	\$886,678.26	\$734,413.34	\$152,264.92	\$0.00	\$152,264.92
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	\$5,087,588.49	\$187,756.38	\$0.00	\$187,756.38
Lebanon <sup>#</sup>	\$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	\$1,021,525.82	\$785,279.62	\$0.00	\$785,279.62
Mercer	\$0	\$6,083,342.81	\$6,083,342.81	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Mifflin	\$0	\$2,115,125.61	\$1,845,002.45	\$270,123.16	\$0.00	\$270,123.16
Monroe	\$0	\$11,865,060.89	\$8,825,387.46	\$3,039,673.43	\$0.00	\$3,039,673.43
Montgomery	\$24,379,049.70	\$29,334,445.68	\$27,746,083.45	\$1,588,362.23	\$0.00	\$1,588,362.23
Montour	\$0	\$1,009,520.13	\$935,824.45	\$73,695.68	\$0.00	\$73,695.68
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	\$4,298,615.07	\$755,125.73	\$0.00	\$755,125.73
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	\$3,409,696.44	\$184,141.42	\$20,757.11	\$163,384.31
Potter	\$0	\$671,925.50	\$545,235.41	\$126,690.09	\$0.00	\$126,690.09
Schuylkill	\$0	\$7,841,209.45	\$7,037,397.42	\$803,812.03	\$0.00	\$803,812.03
Snyder	\$0	\$2,205,899.17	\$2,079,047.32	\$126,851.85	\$7,852.19	\$118,999.66
Somerset	\$0	\$1,781,530.91	\$681,666.89	\$1,099,864.02	\$0.00	\$1,099,864.02
Sullivan	\$0	\$87,375.79	\$70,322.22	\$17,053.57	\$13,000.00	\$4,053.57
Susquehanna	\$0	\$1,544,282.16	\$1,515,471.16	\$28,811.00	\$28,811.00	\$0.00
Tioga	\$0	\$2,256,459.78	\$2,254,009.49	\$2,450.29	\$2,450.29	\$0.00
Union	\$0	\$2,551,162.85	\$1,880,429.50	\$670,733.35	\$27,499.44	\$643,233.91
Venango	\$0	\$1,742,582.67	\$1,742,582.67	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Warren	\$0	\$1,838,545.55	\$1,589,388.34	\$249,157.21	\$0.00	\$249,157.21
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	\$1,079,734.76	\$1,037,180.47	\$7,359.99	\$1,029,820.48
Westmoreland	\$8,225,962.00	\$6,551,091.45	\$5,771,222.41	\$779,869.04	\$0.00	\$779,869.04
Wyoming	\$0	\$677,495.32	\$537,885.17	\$139,610.15	\$0.00	\$139,610.15
York	\$10,587,402.30	\$14,310,963.53	\$12,565,884.70	\$1,745,078.83	\$0.00	\$1,745,078.83
<b>State Total</b>	<b>\$262,516,937.00</b>	<b>\$491,117,639.44</b>	<b>\$420,757,174.13</b>	<b>\$70,360,465.31</b>	<b>\$2,257,079.13</b>	<b>\$68,103,386.18</b>

\*Shaded counties did not report any DHS ERAP2 funds paid or obligated as of March 31, 2024

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DHS Allocation includes any interest that the county reported as of March 31, 2024