## **Financial Assistance**



To secure housing you will need your last month's rent. There are services that can help with funds for your last month's rent. You will likely need to show that a lease is in place.

Social assistance programs (such as Ontario Works) offer money to eligible individuals for living expenses including rent, medication, food and more. If you are already on Ontario Works, you have access to financial assistance for last month's rent and moving costs. You can contact CDCD to arrange it. If you don't have Ontario Works, CDCD can still provide support.

Note: If you have arrived in Canada and do not need any financial assistance, you can use the <u>Renter's Toolkit</u> (durham.ca/en/living-here/renter-s-toolkit.aspx#Living-with-Roommates)

## Region of Durham -Housing Stability Program

605 Rossland Rd. E.

Whitby, ON L1N 0B7

Telephone: 905-666-6239

Hours: Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

HSP helps Durham households who can generally pay their expenses, but due to unforeseen circumstances cannot meet their costs for a short period or must move to secure more affordable accommodations. HSP provides access to stability funds for rental arrears, utility arrears, moving costs, and last month's rent supports.

The HSP is only available to residents of Durham Region who have lived here for 3 or more months.

Your net household income must meet the low-income measure program limits.

Applications are accepted online via the link below or you can contact our Coordinated Intake and Eligibility Unit at 905-666-6239.

Housing Supports - Region of Durham (<u>www.durham.ca/en/living-here/housing-supports.aspx</u>)

## **Utility Supports**

Supports are available for utility expenses.

For electricity: Ontario Energy Board Electricity Support Program (ontarioelectricitysupport.ca)

For internet: Rogers—Eligibility and Application Connected for Success (rogers.com/connected-forsuccess/eligibility-and-application)

## Housing & Homelessness Support Program - Community Living Durham North

P.O. Box 964

Port Perry Ontario L9L

1A8 Telephone: 905-

852-5919 Email:

hhsp@cldn.ca

Website: Community Living Durham North – Housing and Homelessness Support Program. (cldn.ca)

If you live in north Durham, Community living can provide access to stability funds for rent arrears, utility arrears and last month's rent supports. You must have an immigration status in Canada and have assets less than \$50,000 (single person) and \$75,000 (couples and families).