

# CATHOLIC CHARITIES HELP

FUNDED BY HARRIS COUNTY  
COVID-19 EMERGENCY DIRECT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



## \$1,200 FOR EMERGENCY EXPENSES CAUSED BY COVID-19

Harris County partnered with Catholic Charities to serve as the administrator for \$40 million in emergency financial assistance to help Harris County residents who are experiencing financial distress as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

- For households located within Harris County that meet eligibility requirements
- One-time \$1,200 payment
- Funds may be used for emergency expenses such as healthcare, rent, utilities, food, internet connectivity, transportation and childcare

### ELIGIBILITY

- Your household must be located in Harris County.
- If you already received other COVID-19 related assistance from Harris County, you are not eligible.
- Your household must have at least one member enrolled in a public assistance program or have total household income less than 60% of the HUD Area Median Family Income at the time of application.
- Households must demonstrate impact on income due to COVID-19.

For all the information you need  
**CatholicCharitiesHelp.org**

**832-990-1318**

September 29 – December 30

Monday through Saturday

9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

### PROCESS

The Harris County funds will be distributed in two rounds. In both rounds, applicants are randomly selected from a pool of applicants. Unfortunately, not everyone who applies will receive funds. Catholic Charities will review all selected applications for eligibility and work with you to get the proper documentation, then process payment if you are approved. The process will take approximately three weeks, starting with the first phone call you receive from a Catholic Charities team member.

- **Round 1 (Begun September 29):** Applicants were randomly selected from an existing pool of households that applied for help but did not receive any.
- **Round 2 (Beginning November 2):** Public applications made November 2-6, for anyone who did not already submit an application. Applications are added to the existing pool of households for random selection.

 **ROUND 1**  
Begun September 29

Households from previous applications are randomly selected and contacted

 **ROUND 2**  
Beginning November 2

Public applications submitted  
November 2-6  
Another round of applications  
randomly selected and contacted

 **PROJECT ENDS**  
December 30

All applications reviewed  
and payment made by  
December 30