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# East Hartford Social Services Renters Rebate Program

East Hartford, CT—The East Hartford Social Services Department would like to remind residents that the application process for the Renters Rebate Program is now open. This state program provides elderly and disabled renters with a small refund check based on the amount of rent and utilities they paid in 2018. The application period runs through <u>September 30, 2019.</u>

#### Eligibility requirements are:

- 65 years of age or older or 100% disabled, age 18 or older (by December 31, 2018)
- 2018 **GROSS** income (including all Social Security benefits) must not have exceeded **\$43,900 for a married couple** or **\$36,000 for a single individual**

## **Required Income Documentation** (all for 2018 calendar year):

- Social Security Income (form SSA 1099) & SSI if applicable
- Copy of 2018 Federal Income Tax Return, if filed

<u>Or</u>

- 1099 forms for pensions, dividends, interest, stocks & bonds, etc.
- W-2's from employment
- Veterans Disability or Railroad Retirement
- <u>100% Disabled:</u> Benefits Verification Letter from Social Security start date disability began & proof of SSI benefit, along with other forms listed above, if applicable

## **Required Expense Documentation:**

- Rent receipts for 2018 (all 12 months)
- Utility bills you paid in 2018 (heat, gas, electric, only). <u>NO</u> telephone, cable or medical bills.

To make an appointment, please call East Hartford Social Services at 860-291-7248.

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