

Program Guide and Eligibility Requirements

The COVID-19 Emergency Home Repair Grant Program was created to assist eligible residents of the City of Port St. Lucie with small to medium emergency home repairs (up to \$10,000.00) in order to avoid displacement or a risk to health and safety due to loss of income, reduction in hours, or unemployment as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic **only**.

An emergency home repair is considered damage at a place of residents that impairs the resident from living within the residence in a safe way. Emergency home damage directly impacts the health, safety and or welfare of the household residing in the home. Damage and potential repairs will be analyzed by trained staff in order to adjudicate eligibility for this program.

The City may utilize different funds or other sources of funding to conduct activities associated with the COVID-19 Emergency Rental and Mortgage Assistance Grant Program. The rules and regulations associated with Sections 420.9071-420.9079 F.S. chapter 67-37 F.A.C. will govern the use of such funds; when applicable.

Form of Assistance

Assistance is in the form of a one-time grant not to exceed \$10,000 per household. St. Lucie Habitat for Humanity will analyze all applications on a case-by-case basis to determine eligibility and type of home repairs that can qualify.

Warning: Availability of Funds

Applications will be processed on a first-come, first ready basis. This implies a completed application. All applicants must meet program eligibility criteria. Only completed applications, which consist of submittal of all applicable supporting documentation in order to prove eligibility, will be accepted. No exceptions will be made. If the application is not complete, the application will not be eligible for processing.

The number of applications that will be processed and the number of applicants that will receive a grant are subject to the availability of funds. When funding has lapsed, the City of Port St. Lucie will announce the closure of the program on their website at www.cityofpsl.com/communityservices.

If you have any questions about any of the information in this Program Guide you may contact the City of Port St. Lucie by email at COVIDgrant@cityofpsl.com or by telephone at the City of Port St. Lucie's 1PSL line at (772) 871-1775.

Warning: Florida Statute 817 provides that willful false statements or misrepresentation concerning income and assets or liabilities relating to financial condition is a misdemeanor of the first degree and is punishable by fines and imprisonment provided under S77.082 or 772.083.

Warning: Section 1001 of Title 19 of the U.S. code makes it a criminal offense to make willful false statements or misrepresentation to any department or agency of the United States as to any matter within the jurisdiction. False information may result in civil liability, and/or in criminal penalties including, but not limited to, fine or imprisonment or both.