In case you missed the announcement by Governor DeWine earlier this week, on Monday the state controlling board approved use of Ohio's remaining CARES act funding to help more small businesses, restaurants and non-profits, as well as making additional funding available to cover both housing/rental assistance and water and sewer bills for low-income residents. Those who have lost their jobs or experienced reduced income due to COVID-19 hardships may qualify.

The new Home Relief Grant, which goes into effect on November 2nd, definitively allows retroactive payments to cover delinquent bills since April 1st for those who were financially impacted earlier this year.

Individuals must apply for this assistance through their local Community Action Agency.

We encourage small water and sewer systems to share this information with their customers to help connect them to these financial resources, especially those who have gotten behind in their bills. There is a **small window** to get the word out. The program starts **Nov. 2nd** and as of right now it will end **Dec. 31st**, the end date of federal CARES Act funding.

For more information about the Home Relief Grant program and an income limits, please visit https://businesshelp.ohio.gov/.



To find the income limit table based on household size, *click here*.



Click here to find a Home Relief Grant Fact Sheet prepared by the Ohio Development Services Agency (ODSA).



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