COVID-19 Residential Eviction Ordinance
Temporary City law protects people from eviction

If you cannot pay rent because of financial impacts from COVID-19, your landlord cannot evict you. Financial impacts could be from:

- Being sick with COVID-19, or caring for a household or family member who is sick with COVID-19
- Lay-off, loss of hours, or other income reduction resulting from business closure or other economic or employer impacts of COVID-19
- Extraordinary out-of-pocket medical expenses
- Childcare needs arising from school or childcare closures related to COVID-19

If you are a renter and cannot pay rent, the ordinance says you must:

Provide your landlord with documentation proving the financial impact within thirty (30) days of your rent being due. Examples of documentation include:

- Notice from employer citing COVID-19 as a reason for reduced work hours or termination
- Employer paycheck stubs
- Bank or medical billing statements

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<td>May NOT charge late fees during the 180-day payback period</td>
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<td>Must pay back all rent owed to the landlord within 180 days after the City declares the emergency is over</td>
<td>Should contact your lender for mortgage relief or other funding sources if you have financial concerns</td>
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The ordinance applies to residential units and all tenants who rent:

- Single family homes
- Duplexes
- Condominiums
- Income restricted apartments (affordable housing)
- All market rate apartments
- A room within a larger unit
- Mobile homes (space rent and rented units)

Important: This ordinance only prohibits evictions and does not excuse payments of rent during the COVID-19 emergency. It is effective from March 12, 2020 through the end of the local emergency.

Need help?

Project Sentinel: Contact 408-720-9888 or info@housing.org for help talking to your landlord
Questions about the ordinance: Email housing@sunnyvale.ca.gov