Alachua County Emergency Rental Assistance Program (ERAP) Eligibility and Application Highlights

The ERAP grant can help eligible Alachua County renters with payment of rent and utilities. The decision tree included in this document can help walk through the basic eligibility for the program. Full program details, including frequently asked questions (FAQs) are available on the County's website at https://info.alachuacounty.us/2021/ERAP/. APPLICATION OPENS MARCH 15, 2021 AT NOON

You can call the help desk at 352-704-0301 from M-F, 9am to 5pm or email <u>AlachuaERAPhelp@alachuacounty.us</u> for individual assistance with your application or eligibility. If any accommodations are needed for persons with disabilities, please contact the Equal Opportunity Office at (352) 374-5275 or (352) 374-5284 TDD. **HELP DESK OPENS MARCH 15, 2021 AT NOON**

All payments will be made directly to landlords/property managers and utility companies. However, the tenant is required to complete the application for assistance. Eligibility requirements for the household are listed below:

- 1. Must be an Alachua County resident, who has rent obligations for and is residing in the property that is in arrears (or at risk for nonpayment) as their primary residence and;
- 2. One or more adults in the household as listed on the lease must have qualified for unemployment benefits on or after March 13, 2020, or experienced a reduction in household income on or after March 13, 2020 due to the coronavirus outbreak and;
- 3. One or more adults in the household as listed on the lease must be able to demonstrate a risk of experiencing homelessness or housing instability such as a past due rent or utility notice, court issued eviction notice, unsafe or unhealthy living conditions, or documented inability to pay prospective rent and;
- 4. Total household income (including all adults residing at the address and listed on the lease) must fall at or below these amounts, based on household size:

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income 80%	\$39,100	\$44,700	\$50,300	\$55,850	\$60,350	\$64,800	\$69,300	\$73,750

High priority households are defined as those who meet ALL eligibility requirements above AND either have a household member (as listed on the lease) who is currently unemployed and has been unemployed for 90 or more days OR has total household income below these amounts, based on household size:

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Income 50%	\$24,450	\$27,950	\$31,450	\$34,900	\$37,700	\$40,500	\$43,300	\$45,100

Please note that the County will only be processing applications for high priority households as defined above for the first three weeks of the program (may be extended based on volume of applications).

