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Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Links to Free Legal Help during the COVID-19 outbreak.

This page provides information on how to find local, state, and national resources if you need legal help as a result of Coronavirus (COVID-19). To access information about the March middle Tennessee tornadoes, [click here](#).

Renters & Homeowners:

The Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberland has put together information booklets about the impact of Coronavirus on renters and homeowners. Click on the links below to learn more.

[Tenants](#)

[Evictions](#)

[Mortgage Payments](#)

Can I be evicted during Coronavirus?

A federal law provides protections to some renters for a period of time. In Tennessee, your landlord is required to file an affidavit with the court stating that their property is not covered by the CARES Act before they may evict you.

Learn more about the CARES Act here:

<https://crsreports.congress.gov/product/pdf/IN/IN11320>

Databases of properties covered by the CARES Act:

Pro Publica created a database that contains 177,000 buildings, with five or more units, that are protected by the Eviction Moratorium.

<https://projects.propublica.org/covid-evictions/>

You should also search for your address in Tennessee's state database, last updated in February 2020, to see if your landlord received a Low Income Housing Tax Credit.

<https://thda.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=7a9f50162def4eb3810527512e71b4c2>

Emergency Financial Assistance:

The Tennessee Department of Human Services is providing financial aid to certain families that lost employment due to COVID-19. Applications are being accepted online. Click on the link below to learn more and apply:

[Emergency Cash Assistance](#)

The COVID-19 Response Fund was created to assist individuals and families experiencing financial hardship due to this virus. Visit the site below to find resources that are available right now.

[Nashville Response Fund](#)

Unemployment:

This is information provided by the Arts and Business Council of Greater Nashville in response to the impact of COVID-19 and business closures.

[A Guide to the Unemployment Process in Tennessee \(COVID-19 Help\)](#)

The Tennessee Department of Labor's website provides a great deal of information as to Tennesseans' eligibility for unemployment benefits and the process required to receive them. Visit their site by clicking on the link below:

COVID-19 Unemployment for Employees

Unemployment Insurance - Frequently Asked Questions:

Frequently Asked Questions

Eligibility information for self-employed workers provided by the Tennessee Department of Labor:

Self-Employed Workers

TennCare:

You can find up-to-date information on the TennCare Coronavirus webpage [here](#).

Legal Help:

For free legal advice and referrals, call 844-HELP4TN (844-435-7486) or visit the American Bar Association's [free online legal clinic](#) to get answers to your legal questions from a licensed Tennessee attorney.

You may also find your local legal aid program below:

Memphis Area Legal Services

West Tennessee Legal Services

Legal Aid Society of Middle Tennessee and the Cumberlands

Legal Aid of East Tennessee

Courts:

For a update on the status of Tennessee courts during the coronavirus outbreak, click [here](#).

The Tennessee Administrative Office of the Courts has links to local orders, government actions, coronavirus specific laws, and other resources. Click [here](#) to visit their site.

Small Business Owners:

Visit the U.S. Small Business Administration for guidance and loan resources for those impacted by the Coronavirus

[Small Business Administration - COVID-19](#)

COVID-19 Scams:

Scammers see the coronavirus as an opportunity. Read to this [blog](#) to see what tactics they're using and how you can avoid getting scammed.

More COVID-Specific Information in Tennessee:


[Disability Rights TN Covid Page](#)


[Student Loans](#)

[TN Justice Center](#)

[TN Immigrant and Refugee Rights Coalition](#)

 [Paid Leave Benefits Under the Family First Coronavirus Response Act](#)

 [Unemployment Benefits under the Federal CARES Bill](#)

 [Step-by-step Instructions for filing an Unemployment Claim](#)

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