Residents,

In times like these, we are fortunate enough to have a roof over our heads where we may quarantine ourselves to try and curb the COVID-19 pandemic. Housing Hub understands though that as businesses close temporarily that many of our tenants are impacted with financial loss by being temporarily unemployed and/or furloughed. This loss impacts paying for necessities like food, medicine, utilities and housing. Housing Hub is committed to helping it’s tenants to the best of our abilities. A while ago we gathered a list of services and resources for tenants who have found financial hardship. This list has helped many of our tenants get through tough times to secure their housing. We are pleased to add even more resources that have been created and/or changed to offset the financial loss due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Attached you'll find our newly updated list of resources and services. In this time of great need in our community, we STRONGLY encourage you to reach out to every resource and service available to you. Many of these sources are connected to other sources and may be of great guidance to you. Below are several opportunities and changes that can also help you in this time of uncertainty.

Unemployment insurance temporarily pays workers about half a week’s pay every week. It’s paid for by federal and state taxes on employers. You can either receive the money via a debit card, or set up a direct deposit. Workers usually don’t qualify until they’ve been out of work for a week, but a second order Governor Walz signed recently does away with that delay and lets people get cleared for benefits almost immediately.

It usually takes about 15 minutes to apply online. If you want to apply via phone instead:

- In the metro area? Call 651-296-3644
- Greater Minnesota? Call 1-877-898-9090
- Hearing impaired and using a TTY? Call 1-866-814-1252

Nationally, the White House and the House & Senate have come to an agreement on an economic stimulus package that potentially includes financial relief up to $1,200 for individuals, $2,400 for married couples and $500 per child.

In Saint Paul, on Weds, April 1st - Mayor Carter is proposing an emergency relief bill called, the Saint Paul Bridge Fund, which will include over $1 Million to provide families up to $2,000.00 of direct assistance with rent or mortgage payments. 
https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/STPAUL/bulletins/283373e

Many employers and companies are hiring right now, follow this link for a list of companies in MN:
https://minnesota.cbslocal.com/2020/03/25/list-of-companies-currently-seeking-employees-in-minnesota/

The Property Owners we represent are absolutely sympathetic to this entire situation and many are facing the same struggles. It is Housing Hub's desire and goal is to provide safe and stable home environments to all of our residents.

If you are experiencing difficulty in making your April rent payment, please contact the office immediately. Please see the attached list of resources that are available and in place to help during circumstances as these.

* For our Commercial Tenants, please look for additional communication and a list of resources for you from the Housing Hub office coming later today.

Thank you,

Housing Hub, LLC
651-488-2437
HousingHubMN.com
Minnesota Unemployment Insurance: [https://www.uimn.org](https://www.uimn.org) (651) 296-3644

Minnesota Energy Assistance: [https://mn.gov/commerce/consumers/consumer-assistance/energy-assistance](https://mn.gov/commerce/consumers/consumer-assistance/energy-assistance) (800) 657-3710


Feeding America: [https://www.feedingamerica.org/find-your-local-foodbank](https://www.feedingamerica.org/find-your-local-foodbank) (651) 484-5117

One Fair Wage Emergency Fund: [https://ofwemergencyfund.org/](https://ofwemergencyfund.org/)

211 is a free and confidential service that helps people find local resources: [http://211.org](http://211.org)

Low Income High Energy Assistance Program helps with energy costs: [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/liheap](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ocs/programs/liheap)

Comcast is offering 2 months of free internet to low income applicants: [https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19](https://www.internetessentials.com/covid19)

Medicaid: Medicaid provides health coverage to millions of Americans, including eligible low-income adults, children, pregnant women, elderly adults and people with disabilities. Medicaid is administered by states, according to federal requirements. The program is funded jointly by states and the federal government:

[https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/index.html](https://www.medicaid.gov/medicaid/index.html)

TANF: Temporary Assistance for Needy Families: [https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/programs/tanf](https://www.acf.hhs.gov/ofa/programs/tanf)

SNAP: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps):

[https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/361](https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/361)
EFSP: Emergency Food and Shelter Program
https://www.efsp.unitedway.org/efsp/website/index.cfm

Modest Needs: is offering donations to hourly workers who won't get paid during the COVID-19 outbreak. https://www.modestneeds.org

Lifeline: Lifeline is the FCC’s program to help make communications services more affordable for low-income consumers. Lifeline provides subscribers a discount on monthly telephone service, broadband Internet access service, or voice-broadband bundled service purchased from participating providers. You may also qualify for a free phone and wireless service.
https://www.lifelinesupport.org/how-to-get-lifeline

HealthWell: Assistance for underinsured patients living with chronic or life altering diseases.
https://www.healthwellfoundation.org/patients/ (800) 675-8416

National Association of Free and Charitable Clinics:

HRSA: Health Resources and Services Administration:

NeedyMeds: Helps patients find assistance with the costs of medication:
https://www.needymeds.org/questions-faqs (800) 503-6897

Catholic Charities: https://www.cctwincities.org/ (651) 227-2637, (612) 204-8500

Women of Nations: https://women-of-nations.org/ (651) 222-5831

Simpson Housing Services: https://women-of-nations.org/ (612) 879-5061
St. Stephen’s Ending Homelessness:  https://ststephensmpls.org/  (612) 874-0311

Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs:  https://mn.gov/mdva/homes/  (612) 721-0600

House of Charity the heart of the city:  https://www.houseofcharity.org/  (612) 594-2000

The Salvation Army:  https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/  (612) 522-6581, (612) 338-0113

Cradle of Hope:  https://cradleofhope.org/get-assistance/rent-mortgage/  (651) 636-0637

Minnesota Assistance Council for Veterans (MACV):  
https://www.mac-v.org/how-to-access-macv-services-during-covid-19/  (651) 291-8756