



TOWN OF CHESHIRE HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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In an effort to further support Cheshire residents during this challenging time, Cheshire Human Services has developed an assistance program to help mitigate some of the immediate financial impact to community members as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The “Cheshire COVID-19 Assistance Program” will serve as a means to provide financial assistance to community members that have been directly impacted by the virus.

This program has been developed to prioritize assistance for households with existing marginal financial means **and** that have now lost a significant portion of their income as a direct result of the COVID-19 public health crisis. To apply, a community member must complete and submit a brief online application. Applications will be processed in the order that they are received, and assistance will be granted to those eligible as long as there is funding available. Assistance will be provided based on household size as follows:

Household of 1: Maximum \$150
Household of 2: Maximum \$200
Household of 3: Maximum \$300
Household of 4: Maximum \$400
Household of 5 or more: Maximum \$500

No cash payments will be distributed, but assistance will be provided in the form of gift cards to the grocery store or payment made directly to utility companies, landlords, mortgage holders, medical providers, etc...

This program is in addition to the general assistance programs currently provided by the Cheshire Human Services to Cheshire residents and those clients who currently receive general assistance benefits should not assume eligibility for this program. To be eligible, applicants must be a resident of Cheshire, CT and their household must have been directly impacted by the COVID-19 crisis either through the loss or reduction of employment, illness, or another change in circumstances.

If you are in need of assistance as a result of the COVID-19 crisis please submit the brief online application by following the link below and the Human Services Department will contact you within two business days to schedule a telephone conference.

<https://forms.gle/sLKMUJjEd31hHZno6>

If you do not have access to the internet, or if you have questions about the program please contact Cheshire Human Services at (203) 271-6690.

If you would like to support the Cheshire COVID-19 Assistance Program with a monetary donation, checks can be made out to Cheshire Human Services COVID-19 Assistance Program and mailed to Cheshire Human Services, 84 South Main Street, Cheshire, CT, 06410.

Thank you and stay safe,

Michelle Piccerillo, Director
Cheshire Human Services