



COVID-19 Harris County Housing Stability Task Force


Final Report

03.05.2021



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[5] Rapid Response Set of Recommendations

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- July 2020 Grace Period Ordinance Recommendation to City of Houston
 - August 2020 Rent Assistance Program Principles Recommendations to City of Houston and Harris County
 - August 2020 Joint City and County Rent Assistance Program Recommendations
 - December 2020 Task Force Statement on the upcoming lift of the CDC ban on evictions order
 - January 2021 Recommendations for the local implementation of the COVID-19 Recovery & Relief Fund – Supplemental Appropriation for 2021

[6] Set of Recommendations Developed through Work Groups


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- September 2020 ● Web-based Resource for Renters Assistance Proposal
 - September 2020 ● Tenant-Landlord Facilitation Pilot Concept
 - February 2020 ● Rent Assistance Work Group Final Recommendations
 - February 2020 ● Access to Justice Work Group Final Recommendations
 - February 2021 ● Small Landlord & Property Stabilization Work Group Final Recommendations
 - March 2021 ○ Local & State Priority Policy Recommendations

[15] Bi-weekly Task Force Meetings


[10] Eviction Filings & Data Reports

[8] Local Program Reports

[12] subject matter expert presentations



July 2020	20 years of Evictions in Harris County, January Advisors
July 2020	What does the Eviction process looks like under the Cares Act?
July 2020	State of Rental Housing, Rice-Kinder Institute
July 2020	COVID-19 and Racial Disparities in Rental Housing, Urban Institute
August 2021	Lessons Learned from Previous Disasters, Connective



- September 2020 Estimated Cost of Evictions in Harris County, Rice-Kinder Institute
- September 2020 Understanding COVID-19 Impact on Mom & Pop Landlords, AVAIL
- October 2020 Insights from Conversations with Small Landlords, Connective
- October 2020 Eviction Hearings during CDC order to Halt Evictions, Texas Houser's
- November 2020 Harris County in Context, Tracking Eviction Filings During COVID-19, Eviction Lab
- December 2020 Eviction, Housing Instability and COVID-19 Cases and Deaths, KM Leifheit
- December 2020 Introduction to new auction model for Rent Assistance, Texas Policy Lab

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Final Report and Recommendations

March 2021



The set of recommendations will be packaged
In a final report format - which you will have the opportunity
to review, this report will be sent to TF members and City and County
Representatives via email, and will be published on our website.

**Access and share meetings & recommendations at:
housingstabilitytaskforce.org**

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for your commitment and participation.**

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(some times more than one)**

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POLICY LAB

Reflections from Leadership

What next?

- Goal: To discuss what group members want to do next with the eviction prevention work started by the task force. Depending on the groups direction identify people who want to take up leadership roles
- Vote on initial ideas
- Group Discussion on pro's con's and feasibility of the various options & identification of people/organizations who want to take leadership roles
- Final vote
- Summary and next steps