

Community Rebuilders Kent Together

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Service Code: Rental Payment Assistance

Kent Together is a program designed to increased housing affordability for low-income households. Short-term rental assistance is provided for a period and participants contribute 30% of their income towards housing. Participants may receive assistance with lot rent and security deposits also. Voucher can be used with Section 8 or HCV voucher. **This program is similar to HOME, except for (1) a longer period of rental assistance and (2) a requirement for the last permanent mailing address to be outside the city limits of Grand Rapids AND within the limits of Kent County.**

Eligibility Requirements:

- Households must be Category 1 or 2 homelessness
- Last permanent mailing address outside the city limits of Grand Rapids AND within the limits of Kent County
- Must have a lease with the LL if they are looking for help with back rent.
- Will not help with back rent if leaseholder, will assist with future rent and developing a payment plan
- Between 15%-60% AMI depending on household size
- Must have a mailing address on application
- Can assist with individuals in mobile homes for their lot rent. *This is a case by a case basis*
- Additional questions:
 - Can someone with HCV be referred to KT for FMR/SD? Applies to Non-leaseholders only
 - *Yes, the only rental assistance we will help the HH with is paying the security deposit in full. This is very helpful because most permanent programs do not offer to pay for the deposit. Please be specific on the referral with which agency the consumer is working with. This information is helpful in coordinating housing services*
 - Can someone that has the AMI income requirement (but not 60 days continuous) be referred to KT?
 - *Yes, KT staff will provided the consumer with a verification of employment*

Necessary Documents at Intake:

- Housing Certification
- Picture I.D. and SS card for all adult household members
- Birth Certificate and SS card for all children in household
- Proof of income/assets if applicable
- [Kent Together Voucher Application](#)

HMIS:

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- **Additional Provider(s) of this Program:** NONE

Note: Kent Together AMI chart must be used, which is located within the application, instead of the HAP standard AMI Chart.