



Georgia Department of Human Services
DeKalb County Family & Children Services - Region XIV
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Dekalb County General Assistance

The DeKalb County Department of Family and Children Services (DFCS) currently has funds available to assist households who have experienced an unexpected, uncontrollable, one time crisis or emergency that has prevented the applicant from paying their utilities or rent. Applicants must demonstrate that they are facing disconnection of utility service (i.e. gas, electricity or water) or eviction from their residence.

Who is eligible to apply?

- A. You **must** be a resident of DeKalb county.
- B. One or two parent household with **minor children under the age of 18.**
- C. **You must have consistent, verifiable income (wages, child support, social security, unemployment).**

OR

- D. Elderly (60 and above) and/or receiving VA or Social Security Disability.
- E. Experiencing hardship due to a natural disaster or pandemic.
- F. In order to apply for assistance, the following criteria must also be met:
 - 1) For utility assistance, the account MUST have a past due balance OR be in a disconnect status.
 - 2) For rental/mortgage assistance, we MUST have a DeKalb County warrant OR late notice from apartment complex/landlord OR Mortgage Company which provides the following information:
 - **Applicant name shown as the renter/lease/homeowner.**
 - **Applicant is behind in rent/mortgage and eviction is imminent.**
 - **Itemized list of charges including any late charges or miscellaneous expenses.**
 - **Handwritten notices are NOT accepted.**

- 3) **Applicant must have verifiable income to show that they will be able to pay their household expenses for the following month.**
- 4) Applicant must have **a valid and verifiable unforeseen emergency that prevented them from paying the bill. Specific case circumstances will be reviewed on an individual basis to determine eligibility.** If needed, verification will be requested by the case manager.

G. Verification documents needed in order to process the emergency assistance application:

- 1) Current Past Due or Disconnection notice, Current late notice from mortgage company/landlord or dispossessory warrant.
- 2) Valid/Current Government issued Photo ID for applicant
- 3) Income verification for all household members- 2 months of income.
- 4) Additional Verification: contact phone numbers, household bills, receipts to validate the reason for being delinquent if applicable. Other items are requested as needed on a case by case basis.



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Name of Applicant (Please Print)	
Date of Application	

Client must meet all of the following eligibility requirements to be considered for General Assistance: However, meeting the application requirements does not mean that you will or will not be eligible for the General Assistance program.

Please Check Appropriate Box	Yes	No
Are you a State of GA employee? _____ If yes, what division: _____		
Are you a Dekalb County Resident?		
Do you have minor children (under 18yrs) living in your household?		
Are you at least 60 years of age or disabled? (VA, Social Security Disability/RSDI)		
Are you homeless?		
Do you have consistent income in your home? (Wages, Child Support, Disability, Social Security or Unemployment Benefits)		
What Are You Applying For? Please Check YES for the Program Applying For.	Yes	No
<u>Rental Assistance</u> Are you applying for Rental/Mortgage Assistance? If so, Do you have a Disposessory Warrant or Late Notice?		
<u>Utility Assistance</u> Are you applying for Utility Assistance? If so, Do you have A Past Due Balance or a DISCONNECT notice from the service provider with a scheduled disconnect 15 days from the application Date?		
	Yes	No
Do you have any cash on hand?		
Is there anyone keeping cash for you? Whom? _____ How much? _____		
Do you own an automobile? If yes, Year _____ Make _____ Model _____		
Do you receive Child Support? If yes, how much? _____ How often paid? _____ Monthly <input type="checkbox"/> Weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Bi-weekly <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-Monthly <input type="checkbox"/>		



Name	Social Security Number	Phone Number:	Date of Birth:
Street Address (Apt #):		City, State & Zip Code	
Email Address:			

Income: Please list ALL members of your household, including Yourself & all minor children:

Name	Birth Date	Relationship	Monthly Income	Source of income (wages, SSI, SS, Child Support)

Expenses: You MUST complete this section fully.

Bills:	Amount Due	How often paid	Date last paid	Paid by whom
Rent				
Electric Bill				
Gas Bill				
Cell Phone				
Medical Bills				
Child Care				
Child Support Paid out				
Other				
Total				

Under Georgia law, anyone who willfully makes false statements in order to receive assistance is subject to a fine and/or imprisonment. Georgia Public Assistance Act of 1965 (act#354 as amended in 1973).

Signature _____ Date _____