



Kiowa County Administration

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Rent and Utility Assistance Grant Information

Kiowa County has received its share of Coronavirus Relief Funds (CRF) that were allocated to state and local governments as part of the CARES Act passed by congress earlier this year. The county has allocated a portion of its CRF share to a Rent and Utility Assistance Grant Program (RUAGP) intended to help local families that have suffered an economic impact from COVID-19 pay for necessities such as rent and utilities.

Eligibility Requirements

Rent and Utility Assistance Grants are available to any family or individual. Applicants must be able to demonstrate a clear link between their financial need and COVID-19. Applicants will also be required to provide documentation of any expenses they are requesting assistance with. Examples include copies of utility bills and copies of lease agreements.

Grant Amounts & Selection

The county has allocated \$10,000 for this program, with individual awards capped at \$1,000 per family. The cap may be adjusted depending on the number of applications received, the overall financial need of all applicants, and the availability of funding.

The county has formed SPARK Advisory Committee to help plan and implement all programs that utilize CRF dollars. The committee will also be responsible for implementing this grant program, including reviewing applications and determining grant amounts. Individual grant amounts will be determined based on factors such as the degree of financial need caused by the pandemic and the size of documented expenses.

Timeline

9/21/2020 – Application process begins
10/30/2020 – Application deadline
11/6/2020 – Grant award notifications
11/16/2020 – Final Disbursement of funds



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How to Apply

E-mail completed applications and supporting documentation to spark@kiowacountyks.org. Applications can also be hand-delivered to the Kiowa County Clerk's Office in the courthouse. Applications will not be considered unless all sections of the form are completed, a Memorandum of Agreement is signed, and the following supporting documentation is supplied:

- Supporting documentation for the expenses you are requesting assistance with. This would include copies of bills for utility assistance and copies of lease/loan agreements for rent/mortgage assistance.