

Declaration of COVID-19 Related Financial Distress

Compliant with Section 20 of the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020, AB 3088



I, _____, state and declare as follows:
(Name)

I am a tenant at _____, _____, California.
(Home address) (City)

I am currently unable to pay my rent or other financial obligations under the lease in full because of one or more of the following:

1. Loss of income caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Increased out-of-pocket expenses directly related to performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Increased expenses directly related to health impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.
4. Childcare responsibilities or responsibilities to care for an elderly, disabled, or sick family member directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic that limit my ability to earn income.
5. Increased costs for childcare or attending to an elderly, disabled, or sick family member directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
6. Other circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic that have reduced my income or increased my expenses.

Any public assistance, including unemployment insurance, pandemic unemployment assistance, state disability insurance (SDI), or paid family leave, that I have received since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic does not fully make up for my loss of income and/or increased expenses.

Signed under penalty of perjury:

Dated: _____ Tenant Signature: _____

USE OF THIS DECLARATION IS NOT INTENDED TO SIGNIFY WAIVER OF ANY RIGHTS UNDER APPLICABLE LOCAL ORDINANCES. STRONGER LOCAL PROTECTIONS MAY APPLY.

Deadline to return this form. Tenants who received a 15-day Notice to Pay Rent or Quit and are unable to pay rent due to financial distress because of the COVID-19 pandemic must return this form to their landlord within 15 days of receiving the Notice to Pay or Quit. After completing and signing this form, tenants should make a copy and keep it for their records.

Sending instructions. This declaration must be sent to the landlord's address listed on the 15-day Notice to Pay Rent or Quit. If an email address is listed on the 15-day Notice, the form may also be sent via email. Tenants should keep proof of mailing. Certified mail is recommended, although not required by law.

Proof of financial distress. Tenants are not required to provide proof of financial distress with this form if their annual household income is not: (a) \$100,000 or more; and (b) at or above 130% of median income in their county.

The above information is not legal advice. If you have received a 15-day Notice to Pay Rent or Quit or any other type of eviction notice you should contact a tenant attorney in your area.

Landlord Acknowledgment of Receipt of Declaration of COVID-19 Related Financial Distress

I, _____, acknowledge receipt of the attached Declaration
(Print name of landlord or representative)
of COVID-19 Related Financial Distress for _____, tenant at _____.
(Tenant Name) (Address)

Dated: _____

Signature: _____
(Signature of landlord or representative)

Tenants can send this acknowledgment form to their landlord along with the Declaration of COVID-19 Related Financial Distress. This form is intended for a landlord or landlord's representative to sign and send back to the tenant.