

If You're Facing Eviction or Know Someone Who Is...



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PEACE. The Housing Opportunities and Prevention of Evictions Program (HOPE) provides rent and utility assistance to low-income renters that are experiencing financial hardship due to the economic impacts of COVID-19. The program helps prevent evictions and utility disconnections to promote housing stability during the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

If you have questions or need help applying, program representatives are available 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

HOPE Call Center: (888) 927-5467

<https://www.rebuild.nc.gov/hope-program>

Some North Carolina renters retain protection against evictions based upon the CDC moratorium. Renters who:

- Received a federal stimulus check in 2020 or 2021, or
- Were not required to report income to the IRS in 2020, or
- Earn less than \$99,000 (\$198,000 filing jointly) per year, and
- Cannot make rent payments due to lost income,

may provide a signed declaration to their landlord that protects them from eviction while the federal moratorium remains in effect. The declaration form

may be found [here](#).

Renters with questions may get help from an expert by contacting (800) 569-4287 or going online to get contact information for a North Carolina HUD-approved housing counselor, [here](#).

Applicants who cannot access the website may also call (888) 9ASK-HOPE or (888) 927-5467.

Applicants who wish to apply for free legal help may call Legal Aid of North Carolina at (866) 219-5262 or apply online [here](#).

National Moratorium Extended for Additional Two Months

Originally, the national moratorium ended on July 31, 2021.

On August 3rd, the CDC extended the moratorium through October 3rd for areas of the country where there is “substantial” or “high” COVID-19 transmission. Unfortunately, that is most of the country and most of North Carolina right now.

One legal threat to the moratorium extension is the U.S. Supreme Court which upheld the original eviction moratorium on the limited grounds that it was about to end and extension would require Congressional approval. It is unclear how the Court will react to an extension by the executive branch.

NC Republicans Ended NC’s Statewide Eviction Moratorium on July 1

North Carolina’s statewide moratorium ended on July 1 when the Council of State rejected Governor Cooper’s request for an extension. The Council of State has more Republican statewide officials than Democratic statewide officials. The vote was along party lines.

The state evictions moratorium provided important processes to help renters understand and know their rights under the federal moratorium. The state order also specified what procedures must take place once a tenant has provided a landlord with a signed declaration attesting that the tenant qualifies for protection and protected tenants who had been awarded state rental assistance from eviction while payment on awards was processed.



Recently, as I entered the House Chamber for the legislative session, I was greeted by a group of successful black businesswomen. One of the women was a former Charlottean and good friend, Rita Scott (right), a retired broadcast executive.

The name of their company is Blounts and Moore, an LLC investing in cannabis that seeks to start marijuana businesses across the country. They were there in support of [Senate Bill 711](#) (The Compassionate Care Act). If passed, this bill would legalize medical marijuana in North Carolina.

In addition to their support of Senate Bill 711, these socially conscious entrepreneurs are vying to unlock barriers preventing African Americans from participating in the cannabis industry.



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