RENT RELIEF NOW

During these difficult times renters are vulnerable to the financial strain posed by the COVID-19 virus.



So far, the Province of Manitoba has suspended rent increases and postponed non-urgent matters before the Residential Tenancies Branch. Some tenants will have access to other sources of financial support such as El. Simply, these charges leave tenants with an impossible choice to pay rent or put food on the table.

Most landlords, particularly those that own multiple units, have access to a number of COVID-19 relief measures: deferred mortgages, access to credit, relief for a portion of employee income, and property tax relief from the City of Winnipeg.

Substantial financial relief for landlords, but the absolute bare minimum for their source of income, renters, is beyond unfair.

We are asking the Province to provide meaningful rental relief in the form of deferring rental payments, or providing across-the-board financial grants to renters by May 1, 2020.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

STEP 1: CONTACT A MANITOBA POLITICIAN

Here are some important MLAs and ministers in the current Manitoba Government along with their emails and constituency office phone numbers.

Brian Pallister - Premier of Manitoba

premier@leg.gov.mb.ca 204-945-3714

Heather Stefanson - Deputy Premier and Families Minister

minfs@leg.govmb.ca

204-945-4173

Scott Feilding - Finance Minister

minfin@leg.gov.mb.ca 204-945-3952



STEP 2: TELL POLITICIANS ABOUT RENT RELIEF



Use this infographic, or your own experiences of tenancy issues during COVID-19, to call politicians or send them an email

The more communication that politicians receive the harder renters will be to ignore.

STEP 3: SPREAD THE WORD

Call, message, or share on social media to ask for our community's help in supporting this.

Share this information on social media using the hashtag **#MBRentRelief**



STEP 4: REPEAT AS NEEDED

Together we can make a huge impact in how Manitoba is addressing the needs of at-risk tenants province-wide.

THANK YOU.