

# Talbot COUNTY

## CARES INDIVIDUAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

### What is the CARES Individual Assistance Program?

The CARES Individual Assistance Program provides emergency cash assistance for individuals who are out of work or whose income has been reduced because of the COVID-19 public health emergency. The program can also assist those who are unable to meet the cost of a COVID-19-related expense. CARES assistance can help with rent, mortgage or other housing costs, utilities, and other emergency needs, and payments are made directly to the landlord, mortgage company, utility company or other vendor.

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was passed by Congress to provide economic assistance for workers, families, and small businesses, and preserve jobs. Some of these funds were distributed to states and then to local governments. Talbot County has set aside a portion of these funds to provide individual assistance as described above.

### How do I apply for the CARES Individual Assistance Program?

Applications are available from the Talbot County Department of Social Services. While our office is closed to the public to slow the spread of COVID-19, applications can be obtained by **calling 410-820-4347** and leaving a message including your phone number. Your call will be returned by the next business day and we can mail, fax, or email an application to you.

**Once completed, the application can be mailed to or placed in the drop box at:**

#### Talbot County Department of Social Services

301 Bay Street, Unit 5, Easton, MD 21601  
fax 410-820-7117 or talbot.customer@maryland.gov

**Applications are also available at:**

#### Neighborhood Service Center

126 Port Street, Easton, MD 21601  
Walk-ins welcome (limited access)  
Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
410-822-5015 or info@nscstalbotmd.org

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

29533 Canvasback Drive, Easton, MD 21601  
Tuesday, 1-4 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 noon  
call 410-770-4505 and leave message asking for information  
on the CARES Individual Assistance Program

### Who is eligible for the CARES Individual Assistance Program?

Talbot County residents who are unable to meet an expense between March 16, 2020, and December 30, 2020, because of the current COVID-19 public health emergency may apply for CARES Individual Assistance.



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