

EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE (ERA) STATUS REPORT

IMPACT Community Action is mandated to fight poverty!

Each day, neighbors count on us for hope. Often that comes in the form of immediate emergency assistance to help them remain in stable housing. Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) has been a beacon of hope for individuals and families that have felt unseen and unheard throughout this pandemic. There has been great reward in the number of people that have been able to avoid eviction and homelessness while moving toward self-sufficiency.

About IMPACT Community Action:

IMPACT brings commitment and proven results while fighting poverty in central Ohio. IMPACT's programs focus on emergency rental and utility assistance, job training and empowerment services, re-entry and youth programs and a financial wellness curriculum. Now more than ever, we must remain diligent in our collective efforts to keep everyone safe and stable as we move into one of the most disparate and unequal economic recessions for low-wage workers. As the pandemic's effects linger and inflation is the highest in 40 years, Franklin County residents continue to have tremendous needs from organizations like IMPACT, who strive to improve the economic mobility of individuals and families by working with customers and providing them with tools, resources, and support to achieve self-sufficiency.

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Quotes from IMPACT Rental Assistance Customers

***"I left feeling like a blessing had occurred! I left with hope.
Thank You!!"***

***"I'm ok now just was going through it by trying to find a job and I
found one - thank you!"***

***"I really appreciate the help you guys are doing in my life
right now."***

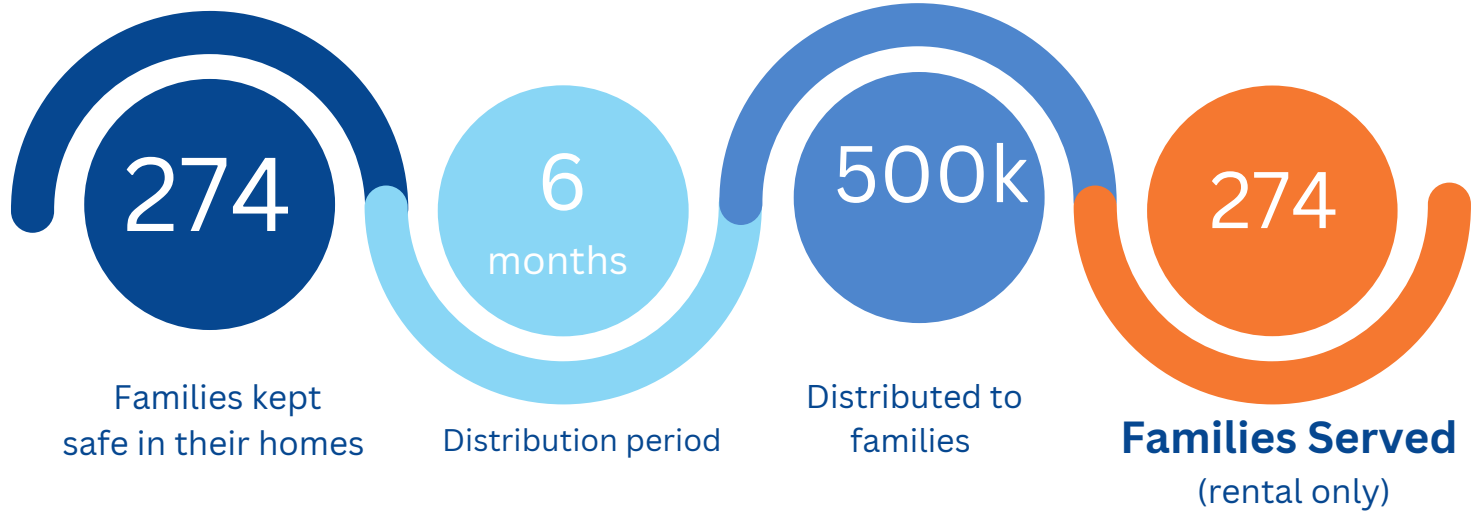
***"Just by helping me with rent so I'm able to catch up with my
other bills and get back on track and possibly get ready to move
into a smaller unit where it's easier to afford."***

***"Just by helping me keep a roof over my family's head and
keeping us from being homeless with nowhere to go."***

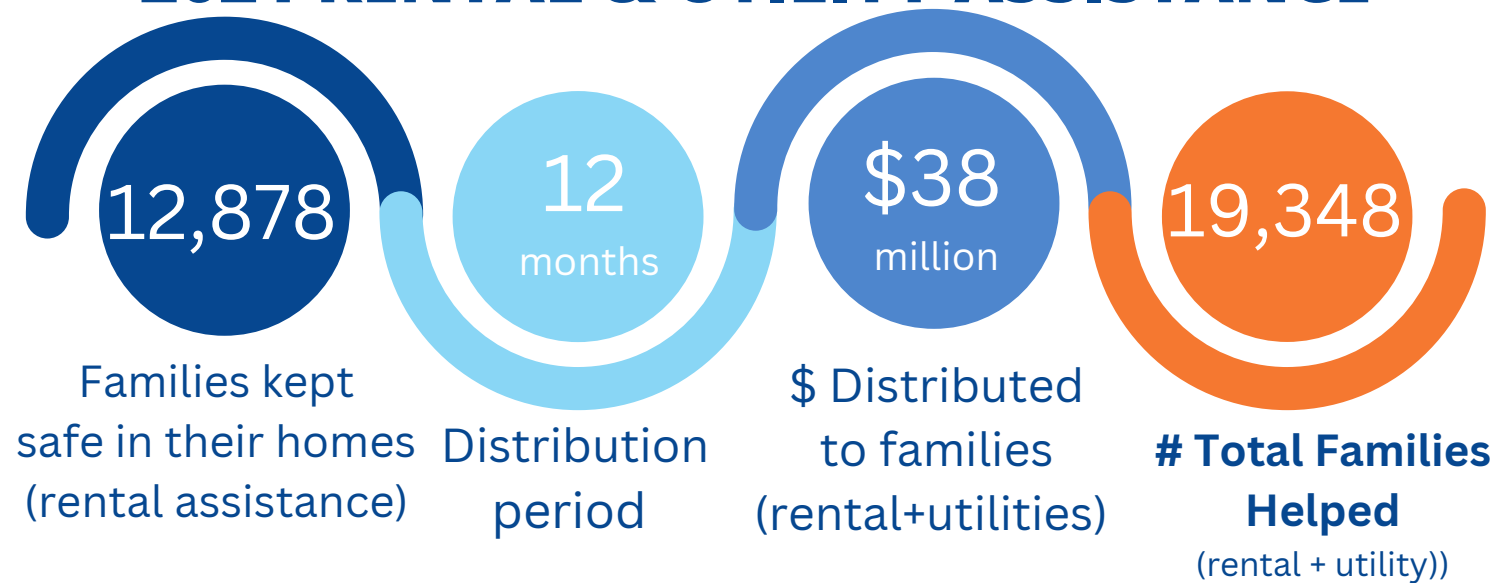
"I greatly appreciate all IMPACT has done. Thank you very much."

"Helped me get things started to get back control of my life!!"

2020 RENTAL ASSISTANCE BY THE NUMBERS

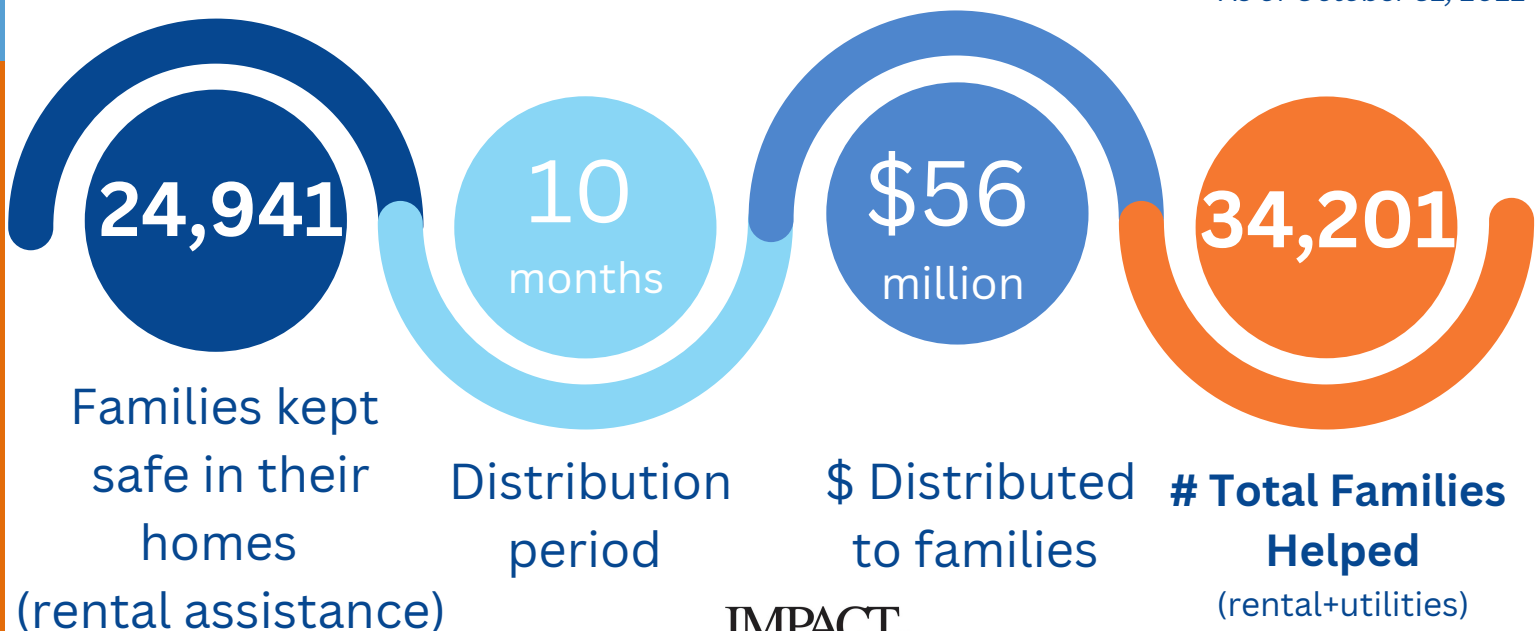


2021 RENTAL & UTILITY ASSISTANCE



2022 RENTAL & UTILITY ASSISTANCE

As of October 31, 2022



EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE (ERA): WHAT TO EXPECT IN 2023 AT IMPACT

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There is still \$360 million in ERA funding available at the state level, but IMPACT does not have access to those funds.

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?

THE CURRENT ERA RENTAL PORTAL WILL SUSPEND OPERATIONS ON **DECEMBER 14, 2022**. **ALL ERA RENTAL APPLICATIONS CURRENTLY IN THE QUEUE WILL BE ADDRESSED.**

ONCE PORTAL OPERATIONS ARE SUSPENDED, ALL INQUIRIES WILL BE SENT TO THE STATE ERA FUNDING PORTAL:

Click here to access State
rental assistance portal



If you need rental assistance **AFTER DECEMBER 14**,
Click on the QR Code above to access state funds.

IMPACT will continue to provide rental assistance to Franklin County residents but will have a much smaller allocation (90% less) to distribute.

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HOW DOES THIS EFFECT IMPACT?

IMPACT WILL REDUCE ITS WORKFORCE BY **31%**,
EFFECTIVE 12/29/22

IMPACT WILL SERVE SIGNIFICANTLY LESS FRANKLIN COUNTY
FAMILIES LIVING IN POVERTY



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