

# Rent Assist

## can help make your rent affordable

Rent Assist is a housing benefit for lower-income Manitobans who rent apartments and homes in the private market. It can help you lower your out-of-pocket rent payment and give you more flexibility in your monthly budgeting.

### What People Are Saying

#### YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR RENT ASSIST IF YOU:

- ✓ Are a Canadian citizen or a permanent resident of Canada
- ✓ Are 18 years of age or older
- ✓ Pay rent for an apartment or home

#### WHAT TO KNOW:

- ➔ You'll need to show proof of your lease or tenancy agreement to apply
- ➔ You'll need to provide your income tax documents to be eligible
- ➔ You cannot receive Rent Assist if you are also collecting Employment and Income Assistance (EIA) benefits
- ➔ Your benefits will be determined by your income and median market rental rates

The maximum benefits available reflect 80 percent of the median market rent in Winnipeg. Benefit amounts are indexed every year, so if the cost of renting goes up, so do your benefits.

- ➔ Check out how much you could be eligible for by using The Rent Assist Estimator online at: [www.gov.mb.ca/fs/eia/estimator.html](http://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/eia/estimator.html)

*"This benefit was extremely helpful to me in the last 12 months, it was easy to apply for and much needed."*

– RACHEL T.

*"Rent Assist has been truly life-changing. Being able to count on it as a single mother has increased the quality of our lives. Rent Assist also put us in a better position to become homeowners one day."*

– AMANDA D.

*"This support has given me financial freedom to provide more than just the basic needs for myself and my boys. And without it we would not have the quality of life we have today."*

– AB P.

*"The benefit helps immigrants, like my family, ease into a new environment. Rent Assist enabled my family to settle in Manitoba with the support we needed."*

– ELIZABETH A.



### To apply:

Online: [https://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/eia/rent\\_assist.html](https://www.gov.mb.ca/fs/eia/rent_assist.html)

To have an application form mailed to you, call **204-948-7368** in Winnipeg or toll free **1-877-587-6224**.

Scan to apply online

