

Dear Members of the Legislative Joint Committee on Corona Virus:

I am a full time, single mother of two whose unemployment compensation will end on April 1, and whose child support will end on April 1 (due to children's father being laid off due to the pandemic).

We are a vulnerable family of three Portlanders. Our house payment alone is \$1,780.00 per month. Utilities are \$300.00 per month. Groceries and toiletries are \$600.00 per month.

Due to the pandemic, it is unlikely that I will be interviewed and hired before my unemployment compensation is exhausted on April 1. Regardless, our house payment is due April 15. How will we pay that?

I write you today to request:

1. PROVIDE immediate cash relief for adult Oregonians until the pandemic is resolved. Oregonians need to receive cash relief on or before April 15. \$2,000 per month, per adult is essential just to keep us housed, to keep utilities on and food on the table. Do not make us wait for federal dollars which may or may not arrive.
2. IMMEDIATELY SUSPEND mortgage payments for Oregon homeowners until the pandemic is resolved.
3. IMMEDIATELY EXTEND unemployment compensation benefits for those whose unemployment compensation funds will be exhausted within the next six months, AND provide immediate unemployment compensation for all those whose employment was/is adversely affected by the current pandemic.

Thank you kindly for your deepest consideration and your swift and broad action steps. We, the people on the ground, ARE COUNTING ON YOU.

Sincerely,  
APRIL W.  
PORTLAND, OREGON