

Hello,

As you know, as well as the whole world at this point in time, we are in a crisis, not only with worrying about the Corona virus, but also our very economic system.

Economic systems are of course circular, it takes businesses to pay their employees, so the employees can have money to purchase goods and pay bills. When they purchase goods and pay bills, this money goes back into businesses, so they can pay their employees and so forth. At this time, the loop has been broken, because of the shuttering of business in order to keep from possible spreading of the corona virus, many working families are not receiving paychecks.

Many working families live paycheck to paycheck, and when the paychecks stop coming in, they are no longer able to pay for goods and bills. Unfortunately, when it comes to not paying bills, there are severe penalties that occur; water gets turned off, electricity gets shut off, working families are evicted from their housing and have no where to go but the street. Working families NEED your help now, in particular so they do not loose their housing and being forced to go homeless.

I am an apartment manager, and I encourage you, as well as your fellow lawmakers, to compensate the manager/landlord directly for the rent payments, as I have mentioned many bills will be stacking up at this time for both the working families and the landlords. My experience has been when assistance does not go directly to pay the source, then it is consumed in other ways and the rent still goes unpaid; I have seen this many times with aid from helping agencies in the local area. In fact, the helping agencies now make it policy to pay the manager/landlord directly to keep such a thing from occurring.

As a manager, I still have bills to pay as well for the housing. There are the mortgage holder, taxes, repairs, water/sewer, electricity, and so on. When the aforementioned economic circle is broken, then as the business in this case, there are not funds to keep things running as they should, and expected by the working families being housed.

By not paying the manager/landlord directly, there is no guarantee that money will get to us to cover our mortgages and other overhead, forcing us close units and/or needing to have people move out.

Please do not take this lightly, I want to keep people in my units, so I am strongly urging you to direct payment to shelter providers to keep people housed.

Thank you for your help and consideration at this time. Please feel free to reach out directly if you have further questions. My name is Brad, and you can contact me at 541-231-8104 directly. Again, thank you for your help.

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