

# Supporting Your Income: Income Support Programs

More than half the renters in Peterborough pay **over 30%** of their income on housing

## What if I can't afford rent or utilities?

You shouldn't have to spend more than 30% of your income on housing - but this is not an option for many people.

If you find the cost of rent or utilities is keeping you from finding / keeping housing, you may be able to get help.

**ALL FUNDS ARE LIMITED. ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA APPLY.  
AN APPLICATION IS REQUIRED.  
THERE IS NEVER A GUARANTEE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.**

HOUSING STABILITY FUND	LOW INCOME ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LEAP)	ONTARIO ELECTRICITY SUPPORT PROGRAM (OESP)	HRC EMERGENCY FUND
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Overdue rent/mortgage</li> <li>-Electricity</li> <li>-Water/sewer</li> <li>-Gas</li> <li>-Property tax</li> <li>-Last month's rent</li> <li>-Moving expenses</li> <li>-Apply through Ptbo Social Services: <a href="tel:705-748-8830">705-748-8830</a></li> </ul>	<p>Helps with overdue electricity and gas bills</p> <p>You do not need to be disconnected or facing disconnection to apply</p> <p>Apply through LEAP United Way Simcoe at: <a href="tel:1-855-487-5327">1-855-487-5327</a></p>	<p>A monthly credit applied to electricity bills, between \$35 and \$75 a month</p> <p>Apply through CCRC at <a href="tel:705-743-2272">705-743-2272</a></p>	<p>A last resort fund for those with emergency housing needs that cannot access any other services.</p> <p>Apply through CCRC at <a href="tel:705-743-2272">705-743-2272</a></p>