

**Bureau of Economic Development**

**November 24, 2020**

Cook County  
**LEGAL AID**  
for Housing and Debt



*Helping you resolve eviction, foreclosure,  
debt, and tax deed issues.*

**[www.cookcountylegalaid.org](http://www.cookcountylegalaid.org)**

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## **Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt**

Cook County has launched a new initiative, Cook County Legal Aid for Housing and Debt (CCLAHD). CCLAHD helps residents resolve eviction, foreclosure, debt, and tax deed issues. The first program under the initiative, the Early Resolution Program (ERP), launched on November 23, 2020. The ERP provides free legal assistance, counseling, pre-court mediation and case management for residents and landlords dealing with evictions or delinquent property taxes, and creditors and debtors with issues related to consumer debt.

Visit [www.cookcountylegalaid.org](http://www.cookcountylegalaid.org) or call **(855) 956-5763** to find out more information and get help.

The services are provided on a pro-bono basis for residents of Cook County without legal representation and are being offered to:

- tenants facing eviction,
- landlords dealing with an eviction,
- debtors being sued for unpaid debts,
- creditors wishing to sue on the basis of unpaid debts, and
- residents who have defaulted on property tax payments or mortgage foreclosure payments.

**Download Early Resolution Program flyers in English, Spanish and Polish:**

- [English Early Resolution Program Flyer](#)
- [Spanish Early Resolution Program Flyer](#)
- [Polish Early Resolution Program Flyer](#)

Visit [www.cookcountylegalaid.org](http://www.cookcountylegalaid.org)

## Register for a Webinar on Navigating Real Estate Concerns and Solutions

Get guidance from real estate and legal professionals for managing your concerns during COVID-19 for your restaurant. Join the Illinois Restaurant Association, the Cook County Community Recovery Initiative and partners for this event. The webinar will include a discussion on how restaurant owners can navigate real estate concerns and find solutions as we all recover from the COVID-19 pandemic.

When: December 3, 2020, 10:00 am (CT)

[Register here](#)

## Cook County Recovery Initiative Programs



*Cook County Community Recovery Initiative*

### Been Laid Off Due to the Pandemic?

Need a new job or career? Want to know about the good paying jobs? Get free assistance with job training, resume writing and career path guidance.

[Find out More](#)

### Need Small Business Advice?

Although the grant application period is currently closed, and applications are currently undergoing review, you can still apply for free business advising.

[Go here to apply](#)

### Behind on Your Bills?

Winter's coming, and for many of us, that means higher utility bills. Find out about the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County, Inc. (CEDA) Utility Assistance Program.

[Learn More](#)

## COVID-19 Relief Overview

Snapshot of our Progress



We will keep you updated on our progress!

[Breakdown of our Business and Community Outcomes](#)

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## In Case You Missed It

- Join our partner, the Community and Economic Development Association of Cook County, Inc. (CEDA), at their virtual [Annual Meeting 2020: Empowerment & Innovation](#). CEDA has worked hard to stabilize and strengthen the county's current community development programs, while building sustainable solutions for the future.
- View a recording of our webinar on [Exploring New Restaurant Revenue Streams](#).
- Learn more about [Restore Illinois - Tier 3 Resurgence Mitigations](#).

## Bureau of Economic Development

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**Mission** - The Bureau of Economic Development's mission is to lead and promote equitable economic growth and community development.

## Values

**Equity. Engagement. Excellence.**

Learn more about Vital Communities, our strategic plan for economic development, with the [Policy Roadmap: Five-Year Strategic Plan for Offices Under the President](#).



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