COVID-19 Sacramento County Eviction Ordinance

Effective immediately:

The Sacramento County Eviction Ordinance will cover renters who are unable to pay rent due to any of the following reasons:

- Renters who are sick with COVID-19 or caring for a household or family member who is sick with the virus
- Renters who were laid off, lost hours at work, or had income reduced in any way as a result of the coronavirus or the state of emergency
- Renters complying with the recommendations from government agencies to stay home, self-quarantine and avoid congregating
- Renters who need to miss work to care for a home-bound school-age child
- In order to take advantage of the protections, renters must:
  - Notify their landlord in writing before the day the rent is due that they have a covered reason for a delayed payment
  - Provide landlords with verifiable documentation to support the covered reason
  - Pay the portion of the rent the tenant is able to pay
  - *Renters will have up to four months after the state emergency declaration ends to pay the deferred rent. The declaration is currently set to end May 21, meaning the rent would be due Sept. 21.

*Tenants should contact the city if they believe their landlord is violating the ordinance, Landlords in violation could face fines of up to $25,000.

Ordinance Information