The Chicago Coalition for the Homeless Mutual Aid Fund will provide one-time emergency grants of $500 to 200 individuals or families experiencing homelessness or at risk of becoming homeless. This includes individuals or families who are living in shelters, living outside, or temporarily staying with family and friends. The application is short, low-barrier, and simple to access.

500 applications will be accepted beginning July 1st at 9:00am. Applications can be completed online or over the phone. All applications submitted will be subject to a lottery and a review process. Please note that submission of an application is NOT a guarantee of funding.

Applications are available Thursday, July 1 starting at 9AM at www.chicagohomeless.org/maf or by calling (312) 641-4148.

Applicants should only apply once per application cycle. If you were awarded funds in 2020, you are eligible to apply again. Note that submission of multiple applications on July 1st will result in the disqualification of your application.

WHO WILL REVIEW MY APPLICATION?
A committee of grassroots leaders with lived experiences of homelessness from the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless.

WHEN WILL I KNOW IF MY APPLICATION HAS BEEN ACCEPTED OR DENIED?
Applicants will be notified within 30 days.

ELIGIBILITY:
- Must be 18 years or older OR an unaccompanied youth 16 years or older,
- An Illinois resident, and
- 1) Facing homelessness or 2) currently at risk of becoming homeless due to an eviction notice or a domestic violence situation

Undocumented individuals and permanent residents are welcome to apply.

HOW WILL I RECEIVE THE FUNDS?
Funds can be awarded in the form of paper checks or Zelle.

IS MY INFORMATION CONFIDENTIAL?
Yes. The information you provide on the application will not be shared outside of the review committee or the organization.

MORE DETAILS AVAILABLE AT WWW.CHICAGOHOMELESS.ORG/MUTUALAIDFAQ

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