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## **\$80,000 GRANTS PER HOUSEHOLD AVAILABLE FOR CA HOMEOWNERS FOR PROPERTY TAX & MORTGAGE RELIEF**

[El Dorado County, CA] – With the delinquency date for first installment of property taxes now passed, and State-mandated late penalties applied, the California Mortgage Relief Program has announced an important update that will extend Program eligibility to more homeowners. The Program has extended the delinquency requirement for property tax and mortgage relief applicants to February 1, 2024.

February 1 is the date of delinquency cutoff, not the application deadline. The Program will remain open until all funds have been awarded to California homeowners. While there is no deadline to apply, funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. This Program is free and there is nothing to pay back.

The \$1 billion Program ([CaMortgageRelief.org](https://CaMortgageRelief.org)) distributes federal funds to help homeowners continue to recover from the financial hardships of the COVID-19 pandemic. These funds, which come from the American Rescue Plan's Homeowner Assistance Fund, can cover up to \$20,000 in property tax relief and up to \$80,000 for past due mortgage payments. Assistance is also available to homeowners who have reverse mortgages and are behind on payments.

To date in El Dorado County, the Program has assisted 51 taxpayers with \$500,000 in property tax relief grants.

For homeowners who pay their property taxes directly to their county, the Program offers a grant to cover delinquent property taxes, which is sent directly to the homeowner's county tax collector. These payments are in the form of a grant and do not require repayment. Homeowners may be [eligible](#) for the California Mortgage Relief Program if they missed at least one property tax payment before February 1, 2024.

"By extending the delinquency date, we are broadening the reach of our program to assist more families in need," said Rebecca Franklin, President of the CalHFA Homeowner Relief Corporation. "Homeowners should not wait to protect their future and apply online today. These grants represent a crucial support system for Californians, enabling them to catch up on past-due bills caused by the pandemic and secure their financial well-being."

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