## NEWS BRIEF

## CDC Extends Eviction Moratorium Through June 30

On Monday, March 29, 2021, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) extended the federal moratorium on evictions through June 30.

This moratorium protects millions of individuals with past-due rental payments by saving them from eviction.

The CDC originally issued this moratorium in September 2020 in response to the financial hardships created by the COVID-19 pandemic. This is the third time it has been extended.

"Keeping people in their homes and out of crowded or congregate settings—like homeless shelters—by preventing evictions is a key step in helping to stop the spread of COVID-19."

- Rochelle P. Walensky, director of the CDC

## What's Next?

The eviction moratorium is not rent forgiveness. Renters are still currently obliged to pay what they can to their landlords. Whatever rent goes unpaid must be paid at a later date when the moratorium is lifted.

Since the moratorium has been extended before, it can be presumed that it may be extended again if the COVID-19 pandemic continues through the June 30

deadline. Such an extension may also be needed depending on how long it takes to get COVID-19 relief bill money into the hands of those who need it.

Individuals should stay tuned for more developments on this matter from local officials.



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