

The Pennsylvania Military Family Relief Assistance Program (MFRAP) provides financial assistance, in the form of grants, to eligible Pennsylvania service members and their eligible family members. Eligible members must have a direct and immediate financial need as a result of circumstances beyond their control.



What kind of immediate financial need would qualify me for a grant?

Such financial need may arise from:

- A sudden or unexpected loss of income, real or personal property, assets or support, directly related to military service or, exigent circumstances affecting the service member.
- Natural or man-made disasters resulting in a need for food, shelter or other necessities.
- Emergency need for child care for which the applicant lacks financial resources.
- The death or critical illness of a parent, spouse, sibling or child resulting in immediate need for travel, lodging or subsistence for which the applicant lacks financial resources.

MFRAP grants can help with things like food, housing, child care, utilities, medical prescriptions, medical services, insurance, and vehicle payments to name a few.

MFRAP grants will not help pay for nonessentials, finance ordinary leave or vacation, pay fines or legal expenses, assist with home purchase or improvements, or

help to purchase, rent or lease a vehicle. Applicants for grants will be asked for information to verify their financial need. Eligibility for grants will be determined under guidelines published by the PA Department of Military and Veterans Affairs. Please understand that assistance is solely for those in need and each request is based on a case-by-case situation.

Eligibility

The program applies to PA residents who:

- Are serving on 30 or more consecutive days of active duty with the PA Army or Air National Guard or Reserve Components of the Armed Forces (Army Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Navy Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve, Coast Guard Reserve).
- Are serving on 30 or more consecutive days of active duty with the active armed forces (Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines, Coast Guard).
- Are serving on 30 or more consecutive days of state active duty for emergencies or duty under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact in the PA Army or Air National Guard.
- Are members in good standing of the PA Army or Air National Guard or Reserve Component of the Armed Forces for a period of 3 years after completion of a qualifying tour of active duty of 30 or more consecutive days when the financial need is directly related to the circumstances above.
- Are former members of the U.S. Armed Forces, the Reserve Components and the PA Army & Air National Guard for a period of 4 years after medical discharge for a medical disability incurred in the line of duty while serving on a qualifying tour of active duty of 30 or more consecutive days, when the financial

need is directly related to the former member's service, to exigent circumstances beyond the eligible member's control, or the disability occurred in the line of duty of the military service.

- Are eligible relatives of qualified eligible service members in limited circumstances listed above.

Where can I get an application?

Applications are available online at: www.dmva.state.pa.us, select DMVA Offices & Programs, then select MFRAP.

How long does it take to receive a grant?

If you submit an application today and you get approved, you could receive your money in as little as 48 hours!

Will I have to repay the money?

No. This is a financial grant to help you and your family. You **WILL NOT** be asked to pay any of it back.

**Call Us (Toll Free): 1-866-292-7201
or 717-861-6500**





How can I contribute to the MFRAP fund?

You can make a direct donation to the fund by sending a check, made payable to MFRAP, and forward it to: PA Military Family Relief Assistance Program, Bldg. 0-47 Fort Indiantown Gap, Annville, PA 17003-5002.

In addition, Pennsylvania taxpayers can use their tax refunds to make a gift to MFRAP. Just check the appropriate box on your Pennsylvania Personal Income Tax Return.

Your tax-deductible gift will help members of the Armed Forces (Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen, Marines or Coast Guard) and their families. This program is supported entirely by donations and 100% of all monies donated to the fund will be used exclusively for relief assistance payments.



PENNSYLVANIA MILITARY FAMILY RELIEF ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



Successful MFRAP Payouts Include:

- Paid \$3,500 to a Service Member who recently returned from deployment for food, utilities, and housing
- Paid \$1,778 to purchase heating oil for the home of an injured Service Member
- Paid \$3,500 to a Service Member whose home was severely damaged in a disaster

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