

To:  
Department of Housing  
Private Rental Aboriginal Assistance Loan  
Public Housing Directorate  
Private Bag 22  
East Perth WA 6892

This is to confirm that I

\_\_\_\_\_ (Landlord/Agent's name)

of \_\_\_\_\_ (address/Agency)

is the landlord/agent for

\_\_\_\_\_ (tenants name)

of \_\_\_\_\_ (tenants address)

\_\_\_\_\_ (tenants name)

is in rental arrears of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

or equivalent to \_\_\_\_\_ weeks rent.  
(amount)

The tenant will be allowed to remain in the accommodation if the arrears are paid in full.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Landlord/Agent:

\_\_\_\_\_ (Please affix agent's stamp)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Private Rental Aboriginal Assistance Loan (PRAAL)



## What is PRAAL?

PRAAL is to assist Indigenous people in private rental who are “at risk” of losing their tenancy and likely to become homeless, by providing a loan for their rental arrears.

## Who Qualifies?

Private tenants who meet the following criteria will be eligible for PRAAL for up to six weeks rental arrears over a 12 month period to secure an existing tenancy.

- Department of Housing Income eligibility
- Indigenous background
- The applicant must reside in the household “at risk” of eviction.
- A minimum of 2 weeks rent arrears and a maximum of 6 weeks is owed on the tenancy.
- Experiencing financial hardship.
- The applicant must contribute to the weekly household rent but does not need to be on the tenancy agreement
- Tenants of Community and Public Housing are ineligible.



## How do I Apply?

The applicant must provide the following documentation:

- Income statement from Centrelink or employer.
- Proof of rental arrears – letter from Landlord/ Agent.
- A copy of the Notice of Breach or Termination Notice.
- Advise reason for rental arrears.
- Provide evidence of financial hardship.
- Evidence that you will be allowed to remain in the accommodation if the arrears are paid or;
- Have the landlord complete the form on the back.

If the applicant is successful with their application the rental arrears will be paid on their behalf by the Department. However, before this occurs the applicant must:

- Complete a Private Rental Aboriginal Assistance Loan Application Form and
- Sign an Agreement form to attend financial counselling.

## Common reasons for financial hardship and why you haven't paid your rent

- Funeral expenses.
- Cultural reasons
- Contributing to family funeral expenses.
- Loss of financial contribution to the household.
- Accommodation – family visiting for short term stay for medical or cultural reasons which has put pressure on the financial household.
- Medical reasons - ambulance bill or child/ family member hospitalised.

## How Do I Pay The Loan Back?

The minimum loan repayment is \$25.00 per fortnight starting from the date of approval.

Payment can be made by direct deduction from your Centrelink payment, Direct Debit from your bank account or by using a Department of Housing card at any post office.

The applicant is responsible for repayment of the debt. Any arrangement for the household to share the debt is a private matter between the applicant and members of the household.

