

# UNEMPLOYED? Facing Foreclosure?



KENTUCKY HOMEOWNERSHIP  
PROTECTION CENTER

The Kentucky Homeownership Protection Center provides a centralized location for information on public services to assist Kentuckians in keeping their homes. Homeowners can find information on the foreclosure process, utility assistance, and home repair assistance to make smart choices and avoid losing their homes.

If homeowners are currently delinquent on their home loan, in danger of becoming delinquent, or are just starting to have financial problems that may affect their ability to pay their mortgage, options are available.

## ***Unemployment Bridge (Loan) Program***

The Kentucky Unemployment Bridge Program (UBP) is a new loan option for eligible homeowners to assist them in making their mortgage payments. To be eligible, the homeowner must have experienced a job loss or reduction in income due to changing economic conditions, through no fault of their own, and demonstrate a need for assistance. The job-related event must have occurred after January 1, 2009. The maximum amount of assistance is \$20,000 or 12 months, whichever occurs first. Of the \$20,000, the maximum amount that may be used for reinstatement— all related fees and payments to bring the loan(s) current – is \$7,500.

Participants must also meet the following guidelines.

- Maximum amount of liens on the property cannot exceed \$275,000.
- Maximum of two liens permitted on the property.
- Borrower's principal, interest, taxes, and insurance (PITI) must exceed 31 percent of the gross monthly income, or
- Borrower must experience a 15 percent reduction in employment income.
- Maximum liquid reserves is six months of PITI (excluding retirement funds).
- Borrowers must sign a hardship affidavit acknowledging the reduction in income due to no fault of their own.
- The servicer of the loan must be enrolled as a participating servicer. A borrower cannot receive UBP assistance if their servicer has not enrolled as a participating servicer.

Homeowners can get help by contacting the Kentucky Homeownership Protection Center at [www.ProtectMyKYHome.org](http://www.ProtectMyKYHome.org) or toll-free at (866) 830-7868.

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