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## **Borough of Roselle Encourages Eligible Residents to Apply for Excluded New Jerseyans Fund**

*Deadline Monday, February 28*

**ROSELLE, NJ - February 25, 2022** - The Excluded New Jerseyans Fund (ENJF) is open to apply through Feb. 28 and the Borough of Roselle has been connecting with the community to help residents apply.

In an information session hosted on Feb. 23, Assemblyman Rev. Reginald Atkins (D-20th Dist.) discussed the program in-depth with residents and assisted with applications.

Those excluded from federal COVID stimulus payments and pandemic unemployment assistance can now apply without providing documentation of COVID impact and can self-attest income if documentation is not available.

"Strong diverse communities need and require access to various programs and I'm happy about the approach the Mayor and Council is taking to bring much needed resources to the residents," said Assemblyman Atkins. "The series of programs, the funding behind them, the step-by-step guides and interaction with the right professionals is exactly what's needed during the pandemic."

This program is open to undocumented individuals, residents returning from the justice system, and any other individuals otherwise excluded from pandemic-related financial help.

Individuals with annual household incomes at or below \$55,000, who live in New Jersey, are over 18 years of age and were excluded from pandemic-related help can also apply.

"It is our job to help as many residents as we can recover from the financial impact of this pandemic. This program will give a previously excluded group of our residents a chance to start that recovery process," said Fourth Ward Councilwoman Cindy Thomas at the Feb. 23 meeting.

Eligible applicants will receive a benefit of up to \$2,000 per individual and a max of \$4,000 per household as a one-time, direct cash benefit. Applicants must present documentation showing they were excluded from both the federal stimulus checks and COVID related unemployment assistance, have a household income that is at or below \$55,000, as well as proof of identity and that they reside in New Jersey.

Check eligibility and apply for ENJF today at [ExcludedNJFund.nj.gov](https://www.excludednjfund.nj.gov).

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