**Assistance Related to the COVID-19 Pandemic (self-certification)**

This form is required for programs using COVID-19-related funds, including ESG-CV, CARES Act, ERAP, and ARPA funding, for clients self-certifying COVID-related need. Contact CSB with any questions about funding sources for your agency’s programs.

A State of Emergency has been declared in the United States and State of Ohio because of the COVID-19 pandemic. There is no person in the country who is not affected by COVID-19. I, like thousands of others across the state, am requesting assistance to pay my rent and utilities in part or in full. One or more members of my household experienced a reduction in household income, incurred significant costs, or experienced other financial hardship due, directly or indirectly, to the COVID-19 outbreak.

- Loss of work/forced work closure/decrease in available hours at work
- Inability to access or get to work
- Unpaid wages or other unpaid compensation ordinarily received
- Increase in childcare costs
- Forced to take off work because of school closure or childcare changes
- Forced to take off work to care for a family member
- Self-quarantined at home under government or medical recommendation
- Stay at home or shelter in place order by any level of government authority
- Personal or family member experience of illness, disability, or mental health issues
- Lack of access or delayed access to healthcare
- Experience of food insecurity, shortages, or delayed benefits
- Increase in household expenses because of the pandemic or emergency preparedness
- One or more members of my household qualify for unemployment benefits.
- Unemployment assistance unavailable, insufficient, or delayed
- Emergency assistance unavailable, insufficient, or delayed
- Loss of social, financial, or health safety net
- If I pay rent and utilities now, I will not be able to meet my household’s basic needs
- Other ____________________________

I certify that this statement is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and I authorize the release of information necessary for verification purposes.

Client signature ____________________________ Date __________________

If authorization is not in-person: I certify that the client provided verbal authorization of the above certification.

Case manager signature ____________________________ Date __________________