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## PROPONENT OF HB5574 HA1

The Grassroots Collaborative and our members across the state of Illinois **SUPPORT** H.B. 5574 House Amendment No. 1 (Rep. Ramirez-Rep. Guzzardi), which creates the "COVID-19 Emergency and Economic Recovery Renter and Homeowner Protection Act." This bill will bring the housing relief Illinoisans need through **financial relief for residential renters, homeowners, and small Landlords; homeowner protections; renter protections and protections against discrimination.** 

Collectively, we have spoken to hundreds of families that are struggling or outright unable to pay their rent as a result of the global pandemic. Most of these families are facing evictions now or within a few weeks. We know there are thousands more in the same dire situation. This serious problem is not going away without bold and real solutions. This bill brings housing relief to renters, homeowners and small landlords. We and our members are calling on the state legislature to pass H.B. 5574 HA 1 as it is the only comprehensive plan to support working families struggling to keep a roof over their head and stave off a housing crisis similar to that of 2008, which hit low-income and communities of color the hardest.

## Grassroots Collaborative members:

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