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**ST CLARE OF ASSISI (SCoA) CONFERENCE RESOURCE LIST**

(as of July 1, 2022)

This is a list of various resources that may help our neighbors.

**1. Generally:**

- a. Employment & Financial Assistance, Homeowner & Rental Assistance, Food & Meals, Healthcare, Children & Parents, Community, Mental Health & Emergency, Internet, Utilities & Wireless Service:  
<https://arizonatogether.org/>
- b. AARP Foundation.org. Search our Local Assistance Directory to find food, housing, health and employment programs in your area. You'll also find programs related to help paying bills, and other free or reduced cost programs. ;  
<https://local.aarpfoundation.org>
- c. A project by Wildfire with links to: Child & Family Resources, Financial Benefits, Health Care, Jobs & Employment Directions, Clothing & Diaper Banks, Food & Nutrition, Housing and Utilities, Seniors & Disability Services.  
<https://www.arizonaselfhelp.org>
- d. Energy assistance (up to \$400 once w/in 12 mths), medical life support equipment used in the home, links to various services, including SNAP (food stamps). 877-860-6020. [www.wildfireaz.org](http://www.wildfireaz.org)

**2. Housing and Rental Assistance:**

- a. City of Surprise Rental & Utility (electric, gas, water, sewer & trash) (past due, now owed, or future months) Assistance Client Portal:  
<https://hsdclientportal.maricopa.gov/>. Eligible clients may qualify for up to 15 months of rent & utility assistance. If the family/individual does not have the capacity to apply on line, they can call the Surprise HOPE-line at 623-222-4673. (It may take up to 48 hours to get a return call). More info about eligibility & required documentation: [www.maricopa.gov](http://www.maricopa.gov) (*In the Search box type "emergency rent."*) \*Note: Due to the number of applicants in queue, it may take 6 to 8 weeks for a caseworker to contact the family/individual.

- b. SVdP Special Ministries at Halle Resource Center in Phx. Client to call 602-850-6948. Leave name, address, phone number & SVdP conference name (here: St. Clare of Assisi in Surprise).
- c. Emergency Assistance Program. Contact Christina Conrad at Salvation Army, 17420 N. Avenue of the Arts, Sun City. 623-215-9566. Email: christinaconradusw@salvationarmy.org.
- d. Mortgage assistance: Administration of Resources & Choices (ARC). 602-374-2226. [www.arc-az.org/housing-counseling](http://www.arc-az.org/housing-counseling)
- e. Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest. 480-654-4539. [www.lss-sw.org](http://www.lss-sw.org)
- e. Housing Assistance Program; Homeowner Assistance Fund: <https://haf.azhousing.gov>. 833-931-3600.
- f. Neighborhood Assistance Corporation (NACA): <https://www.nacalynx.com/help>
- g. Your Sure Foundation (YSF)-Call 623-255-7094 or [yoursurefoundation.org](http://yoursurefoundation.org)
- h. Homeowner Assistance Fund: mortgage assistance, utility assistance, and more. <https://haf.azhousing.gov/>

### 3. Rental Unit Search Assistance:

- a. “Tenant-Based Rental Assistance” (TBRA) Programs sponsored by New Leaf. Help to find and pay for new rental housing. <https://www.surpriseaz.gov/3799/Tenant-Based-Rental-Assistance>. For appointment call 623-222-1550 or email [jweber@turnanewleaf.org](mailto:jweber@turnanewleaf.org).
- b. [www.rentcafe.com](http://www.rentcafe.com)
- c. Homeward Bound, 2302 W. Colter St, Phoenix, AZ 85015. 602-263-7654 Mon -Fri 9am – 4 pm [www.homewardboundaz.org](http://www.homewardboundaz.org)
- d. UMOM (families with children). 3333 E. Van Buren, Phoenix, AZ 85008. 602-275-7852. [www.umom.org](http://www.umom.org)
- e. Chicanos por la Causa. [www.cplc.org](http://www.cplc.org)
- f. “Rental leads as of May 5, 2022.” [www.svdpstclare.com](http://www.svdpstclare.com)

### 4. Affordable Housing Units:

- a. Housing for Hope-Affordable and safe housing for individuals and families. <https://housingforhopeaz.org/> (in Glendale, Tempe, Phoenix) 4747 7<sup>th</sup> Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85013, Call 602-530-5559.
- b. Foundation for Senior Living. [www.fsl.org](http://www.fsl.org). 1201 E. Thomas Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85014, 602-285-1800.

### 5. AZ Rental Eviction Help:

- a. <https://azevictionhelp.org/>. Phone: 602-534-2433.
- b. [www.azcourts.gov/eviction](http://www.azcourts.gov/eviction)
- c. AZ Housing Coalition, Vitalyst Health Foundation – Eviction Resources Packet. <http://vitalysthealth.org/arizona-housing-coalition-eviction-resources-packet/>

### 6. Legal assistance:

- a. <https://clsaz.org>, or call 602-258-3434.
- b. <https://az.freelegalanswers.org/>
- c. <https://www.landlordology.com/arizona-landlord-tenant-laws/>

- d. <https://www.azcourts.gov/selfservicecenter/Landlord-Tenant-Disputes-Eviction-Actions>
- e. [www.azbf.org](http://www.azbf.org)
- f. <https://www.maricopa.gov/5763/Legal-Assistance-for-Nonpayment-of-Rent> or call 602-506-0589.
- g. Community Mediation Program/Dispute Resolution (free). 623-222-3242. <https://www.surpriseaz.gov/3881/Community-Mediation>
- h. SVdP Resource Center Services in Phoenix. (Walk-in Mon.-Fri., 8a.m.-4 p.m.). Phone: 602-850-6948
- i. Arizona Center for Disability Law. 5025 E. Washington St., Ste 202, Phx, AZ 85034. 602-274-6287. <http://www.acdl.com>
- j. American Civil Liberties Union. P.O. Box 17148, Phx., AZ 85011-0148. 602-650-1854. <http://www.acluaz.org>
- k. AZ Senior Citizens Law Project. 4146 N. 12<sup>th</sup> St., Phx., AZ 85014. 602-252-6710
- l. Assistance for legal immigrant families with family-based immigration needs. Catholic Charities. 4747 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Ave., Phx., AZ 85013. 602-998-6105. <http://www.catholiccharities.org>
- m. Wm E. Morris Institute for Justice. Legal representation on behalf of low-income Arizonans. 3707 N. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Ste 300, Phx., AZ 85014. 602-252-3432. <http://www.worrisinstituteforjustice.org>
- n. Maricopa County Volunteer Lawyers Program, 305 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave., P.O. Box 21538, Phx., AZ 85036. 602-258-3434. <http://www.vlpmaricopa.org/vlp/>
- o. Fresh Start Women's Foundation. Referrals and attorney assistance to women going through a family law issue. 1130 E. McDowell Rd., Phx., AZ 85006. 602-252-8494. <http://wehelpwomen.com>

## 7. Utility Assistance:

- a. City of Surprise Resource Center. *See #2(a) above.*
- b. Statewide utility assistance for renters. APS. SW Gas. [era.azdes.gov/](http://era.azdes.gov/) (See website choices.)
- c. Housing Assistance Program: [www.azhousing.gov](http://www.azhousing.gov) (See website choices).
- d. Low Income Energy Assistance Program helps individuals with limited income pay their energy bills. [www.azdhs.gov](http://www.azdhs.gov)
- e. APS Customer Care Center. [www.aps.com](http://www.aps.com). 602-371-7171 (up to \$800/yr)
- f. EPCOR. Call Customer Care for assistance 24/7 at 1(800)383-0834 or email at [mywater@epcor.com](mailto:mywater@epcor.com). <https://www.epcor.com/account-billing/paying-your-bill/assistance-programs/Pages/default.aspx>
- g. SVdP Special Ministries at Halle Resource Center in Phx. (APS, SW Gas & other utility funds). Client to call 602-850-6948. Leave name, address, phone number & conference name (St Clare of Assisi).
- h. Salvation Army 17420 N. Avenue of the Arts, Sun City. Leave message for [christina.conrad@usw.salvationarmy.org](mailto:christina.conrad@usw.salvationarmy.org) or call 623-215-9566.
- i. Wildfire. <http://wildfireaz.org>. 602-604-0640
- j. Hope Women's Center: support for women and children, bill/utility assistance. 623-875-4549.
- k. Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest. 480-654-4539. <http://www.lss-sw.org/> (Glendale only, utilities services provided 1/18/22)

- l. Chicanos por la Causa. APS electric utility assistance. Phone: 602-257-0700.  
[www.cplc.org](http://www.cplc.org)

#### 8. Food:

- a. SVdP, El Mirage Dining Room. 14016 N. Verbena St., El Mirage, AZ. Mon. - Thurs, 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Fri. 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.
- b. St Mary's/West Side Food Bank Alliance, 13050 W. Elm St., Surprise, AZ. 602-242- 3663. M-F, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm. (Bring photo ID & proof of address)
- c. Dysart Community Center, 14414 N. El Mirage Rd., El Mirage. 623-249-3812. Free food pantry drive through only. First Wednesday every month 8:00 am to 11:00 am. (food and hygiene products)
- d. Salvation Army. Free hot breakfast drive-thru Mondays & Thursday, except on holidays, 7:30 – (9:00 a.m. And food boxes available 9 a.m – 12 p.m., 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. at 17420 Ave of the Arts, Surprise. 623-977-1084
- e. Valley View Food Bank. 12321 NW Grand Ave., El Mirage, AZ. 623-933-3358. M-F 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.
- f. Surprise DES Food Stamp Office. 11526 W. Bell Rd., Surprise, AZ. 855-432-7587. <https://des.az.gov/services/basic-needs/family-assistance>
- ~~g. Radiant Community Services Surprise. Free food water and essentials drive-thru style, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., M-Thurs while supplies last. 15522 W. Paradise Lane, Surprise, AZ.~~
- h. Radiant Distribution Center, 10701 W. Boswell Blvd., Sun City. 623-975-2662. Free food and clothing Tuesday/Thursday from 9:00 am -11:00 a.m. at Radiant Sun City (Only provides for their parishioners.).
- i. WIC Assistance. Adelante Health Care in Surprise. Call 1-877-809-5092, ext. 081536 between 8a.m. – 5 p.m.
- j. Sr. Center Hot Lunch Program. FREE. Call 623-222-1500 two days in advance to order meal for pickup M-F at noon. (Only for 60+ or 55 – 59 with disability cost is \$2.50.)

#### 9. Health Care:

- a. Help applying for health insurance, etc. [www.coveraz.org](http://www.coveraz.org) AZ Family Caregiver Reimbursement Program. Beginning in January 2020 helps pay for home modifications and technology that can help a resident with mobility or daily living, e.g., bathroom remodels, hearing aids & wheelchair ramps. Covers 50% of eligible expenses, up to \$1,000.00.  
<https://des.az.gov/services/older-adults/family-caregiver-support> or call 888-737-7494 (Mon – Fri 9 am – 4pm).
- b. Anyone who earns too much money to qualify for AHCCCS may be eligible for subsidized private health insurance through Affordable Care Act (ACA) market places. Buy ACA insurance through [www.healthcare.gov](http://www.healthcare.gov) or [www.CuidadoDeSalud.gov](http://www.CuidadoDeSalud.gov) or at 800-318-2596.
- c. CBI -PATH (Projects for Assistance in Transition from Homlessness) provides services to people with serious mental illness, including those with co-occurring substance use disorders, who are experiencing homelessness or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Tanya Alegria, Program Mgr, 480-450-0189. General

number: 844-691-5948. [pathreferral@bridges.com](mailto:pathreferral@bridges.com). (This is a Community Bridges, Inc., project. [www. https://communitybridgesaz.org](http://www.communitybridgesaz.org)

#### 10. **Employment Assistance:**

- a. AZ@Work. [azjobconnection.gov](http://azjobconnection.gov). ARIZONAatWork.com/Maricopa. 12425 W. Bell Rd, Bldg A, Ste 124, Maricopa County, Arizona, Surprise, Arizona 85378.
  1. Resume writing, interview techniques, job search. Melinda Greenhouse, Workforce Development Coordinator. Office: 623-222-1630. (m) 602-2143-4587. Email: [Melinda.Greenhouse@Maricopa.gov](mailto:Melinda.Greenhouse@Maricopa.gov)
  2. Career training grants and scholarships, e.g., CDL training, medical career training, etc. Surprise Workforce Development <http://myhsd.maricopa.gov> Coordinator Elsa Aldana Office 602-372-7567. Email: [Elsa.Aldana@Maricopa.gov](mailto:Elsa.Aldana@Maricopa.gov)
- b. Allegiance Staffing, 1501 N. 43<sup>rd</sup> Ave. 602-252-4000. <http://www.allegiancestaffing.com/agency-locations/jobs-in-phoenix-az-west/>

#### 11. **Veterans:**

- a. West Valley Military and Veteran Success Center, Surprise Resource Center, 12425 W. Bell Rd., Ste 124, Surprise, AZ. Allison Wisniewski. 623-222-1658. [allison.wisniewski@surpriseaz.gov](mailto:allison.wisniewski@surpriseaz.gov).
- b. AZ Dept of Veterans Services. <http://www.dvs.az.gov/services/benefits>. Contact 602-535-1215.
- c. Dept of Vet. Affairs Community Resource & Referral Center, 1500 E. Thomas Rd., Ste #106, Phoenix, AZ. (Homeless or at risk of homelessness). <http://www.va.gov/homeless/crrc.asp> Contact 602-248-6040. Mon. – Fri., 7:30 a.m. -4:30 p.m.
- d. Military Veterans Resource, <http://www.arizonacoalition.org>
- e. Veterans Crisis line. [www.veteranscrisisline.net](http://www.veteranscrisisline.net) Contact 800-273-8255 press 1.
- f. Disabled American Veterans, 222 N. Central Ave., Ste #1053, Phoenix, AZ 85012. <http://www.azdav.com/dav-claims-assistance.html> call 602-627-3286
- g. Heaven’s Healing Hands in Peoria and Phoenix. [www.heavenshealinghandsphx.org](http://www.heavenshealinghandsphx.org)
- h. Be Connected. [www.beconnectedaz.org](http://www.beconnectedaz.org) Contact 1-866-429-8387.
- i. Catholic Charities MANA House. 2422 W. Holly St., Phoenix, AZ 85009. 602-254-6785. [www.manahouseaz.org](http://www.manahouseaz.org)
- j. Luke Chapter MOAA. Financial emergency must relate to Covid-19, employment loss, housing & food insecurity, transportation or other financial crisis related to “necessities”, e.g., rent, medical bills, car repairs, utility bills, etc. Email: [kramerhometree@gmail.com](mailto:kramerhometree@gmail.com)
- k. Homes for Heroes Program - Supportive Services for Veteran Families. [www.homesforheroes.com](http://www.homesforheroes.com)
- l. Veterans Benefits Counselor (VBC) two days a week at Surprise Resource Center, 12425 W. Bell Rd., Ste. 124. By appointment only; no walk-ins. Call 602-535-1215. VBC helps develop and file applications for benefits & claims.

#### 12. **Thrift Stores.**

- a. SVdP, 12751 W. Bell Rd. #133, Surprise, AZ 85378. 623-875-5004.

Hours:

Tuesday – Saturday 10 am – 6 pm.

- (1) To schedule a home pickup for donations, call: 602-254-3338
  - (2) Donation drop-off hours: Tues. – Sat. 10 am. – 6 pm.
- b. Hearts 2 Help, 10414 N. 107<sup>th</sup> Ave., Sun City, AZ. 85351. 623-412-4058

**13. HVAC Repair Assistance:**

- a. City of Surprise Neighborhood Services Housing Rehabilitation Program. Surprise residents only. <https://www.surpriseaz.gov/3788/Housing-Rehabilitation-Programs>
- b. Maricopa County Weatherization Program. <https://www.maricopa.gov/5214/Apply-for-Home-Improvement-Programs>

**14. Weatherization Programs:**

- a. Weatherization Assistance Program up to \$6,000 per home. Call APS for referral. 602-371-7171. [www.aps.com](http://www.aps.com)
- b. Low-Income Energy Conservation Weatherization Program up to \$3000 per home. [www.swgas.com/efficiency](http://www.swgas.com/efficiency)

**15. Home Rehabilitation Assistance:**

- a. Home rehabilitation assistance. <https://www.surpriseaz.gov/3788/Housing-rehabilitation-programs> or call 623-222-1550.

**16. Seniors:**

- a. Home Services: Benevilla Home Services. 623-584-4999. [www.benevilla.org](http://www.benevilla.org)
- b. Placement Services: [www.aaaseniorplacementaz.com](http://www.aaaseniorplacementaz.com) Office: 623-556-8003 24 Hour Help line: 602-663-4000

**17. Technology:**

- a. For eligible individuals: Refurbished computers, low-cost mobile internet, affordable computer repair. [www.pcsforpeople.org](http://www.pcsforpeople.org)

**18. Internet Access/WIFI:**

- a. Cox Access Partnership Program. Cox is offering internet for low-income families with kids in the K-12 system free for two months and \$9.95/mo going forward. Families can qualify for Connect2Compete by visiting [www.cox.com](http://www.cox.com)
- b. Affordability Connectivity Program (ACP). Helping eligible households connect to the internet. <https://www.fcc.gov/acp>
- c. Lifeline Program for Low Income Consumers. <https://www.fcc.gov/general/lifeline-program-low-income-consumers>
- d. Emergency Broadband Benefit: Income-based eligibility; Program-based eligibility. [www.truconnect.com](http://www.truconnect.com). **Tablets** for eligible needy students through Tru Connect wireless carrier. Customer pays \$20 (and ACP program covers \$100 toward the device) [8 inch tablet (upon qualifying), 12.5 gb of data per month, unlimited talk and text every month]. Representatives will be at Salvation Army, 17420 Ave of the Arts, Surprise, AZ., Mondays and Thursdays, 7:30 – 9:00 a.m. And at Pure Heart Church in Glendale Tuesdays and Fridays, 9 am to 1 pm.



**19. Transportation:**

- a. Ride Choice at Valley Metro. To register call Surprise Human Service and Community Vitality Dept Neighborhood Services Division. 623-222-1550. or Valley Metro 602-716-2000.

**20. Native American Connections**

- a. Native health, housing, community. [www.nativeconnections.org](http://www.nativeconnections.org).  
Phone 602-254-3257

**21. College Scholarships for Women Head of Households.** Soroptimist International of Phoenix. [www.siphx.org](http://www.siphx.org) 602-390-1958. P.O. Box 36833, Phoenix, AZ 85067-6833.

**22. Funeral Assistance:**

- a. COVID-19 related: <https://www.fema.gov/COVID-19funeralassistance>
- b. Maricopa County: [www.funeralassistanceprogram.org](http://www.funeralassistanceprogram.org). 602-240-6384. Email: [funeralassistance@vsuw.org](mailto:funeralassistance@vsuw.org).

**23. Animals/Pets:**

- a. Empty Bowl Pet Food, 610 E. Bell Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85022. 602-909-7153.  
[www.emptybowlpetfoodpantry.org](http://www.emptybowlpetfoodpantry.org)
- b. Chance Shelter takes pet during crisis. 602-394-1595. [www.chanceshelter.org](http://www.chanceshelter.org)

**24. Back-to-School:**

- a. Backpacks and school supplies for kindergartners thru high school seniors. Sign-up May 3 thru June 3, 2022, from 9 am-11:45 am & 1:00 pm thru 3:45 pm at Salvation Army NW Valley Corps, 17420 Ave of the Arts, Surprise, AZ. Proof of residence & birth certificates for the child(ren) required.
- b. Also, see §17 (above) for 8” tablets and internet access.

**25. General lists of resources by category:**

- a. <http://www.southwestnetwork.org/ni/resources.shtml> - Select “The Help Book”
- b. Surprise Community Resource Guide  
(<https://surpriseaz.gov/documentcenter/view/40011/community-resource-guide?bidld=>
- c. City of Surprise COVID-19 Resources & Information:  
<https://www.surpriseaz.gov/3801/COVID-19>.
- d. [www.211arizona.org](http://www.211arizona.org). Phone: 211

**26. Also see list of other resources at St Clare of Assisi SVdP Conference website:**  
[www.svdpstclare.com](http://www.svdpstclare.com)