

Resource Guide

Housing, Financial Assistance, Food, Etc.



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*“Hardships often prepare
the ordinary people for an
extraordinary destiny.”*

~C.S. Lewis

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CRISIS INFORMATION

If you are fleeing a dangerous domestic violence situation please call the 24/7 hotline at 1-800-799-7233 or 911.

**If you are experiencing a crisis or know someone in crisis, call or Text 988*

You can also call/text 988. (ext. 711 if hard of hearing)

EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Homelessness/Low Income Call 211 (or 844.875.9211)

The first place to contact for temporary housing is CAM, (Coordinated Assessment Model). CAM coordinates temporary housing and shelters for our Region. This is the first step. If you need a safe place to sleep for the night & need emergency shelter, or temporary housing, please call: (313) 305-0311, or (313) 484-4449. This contact also provides housing assistance after 6pm.

CASS COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES, INC. - DETROIT, MI

Description: Cass provides emergency shelter, transitional and permanent supportive housing for all populations. Supportive Services are available to hundreds of homeless persons and families each night. Cass Community Social Services is a Detroit-based agency dedicated to providing food, housing, health services, and job programs.

Contact information
11850 Woodrow Wilson St.
Detroit, MI 48206
Phone: (313) 883-2277
<https://casscommunity.org/>

COTS - DETROIT, MI

Provides an array of services that enable people to achieve self-sufficiency and obtain quality affordable housing. COTS also exists to advocate for long-term solutions to the problems of homelessness.

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26 Peterboro
Detroit, MI 48201
Phone: (313) 831-3777
www.cotsdetroit.org

DETROIT RESCUE MISSION - DETROIT, MI

Emergency Shelter. Founded in 1909, The Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries has embarked upon its 100th year of continued service providing food, shelter, and services to intervene upon homelessness and substance addiction throughout Detroit and its surrounding metropolitan communities.

Detroit Rescue Mission Ministries provides services ranging from emergency shelter to job training. Every day, the services we provide touch the lives of more than 1,400 men, women, and children in the Detroit community. The DRMM is much more than a homeless shelter or soup kitchen. Our evidence-based services address the needs of the whole individual. We assist those who are addicted to drugs and alcohol toward their goal of obtaining sobriety. We help teen mothers finish high school and learn critical parenting skills. We help those recently released from prison obtain employability skills and find housing and gainful employment. We work with S.A.Y. Detroit/DRMM Family Health Clinic to provide free medical care to children and families. Yet, there is more that can be done.

Shelter Residents stay overnight and are provided meals and the opportunity to shower and receive new clothing items. Shelter Counselors do an assessment with each resident, encourage, and help residents apply for services and take steps to help them meet long term needs, and assure that clients receive emergency medical or counseling needs.

150 Stimson Street
Detroit, MI 48231
Phone: (313) 993-4700
www.drmm.org

TEMPORARY HOUSING/FINANCIAL HOUSING ASSISTANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES ORGANIZATION

NSO's Housing Services is dedicated to alleviating homelessness by providing emergency shelter, permanent supportive housing, and rapid rehousing services. The Housing Solutions Program is one of the largest, most comprehensive programs in Michigan that connects people with stable housing. We offer Street Outreach, Street Medicine, Emergency Shelter, Rapid Rehousing Medical Respite, and permanent supportive housing. The Housing department works alongside NSO's Health and Well-Being departments to provide integrated primary and behavioral health care, case management, and other wraparound services to those in need.

Contact:

Tamaria White, Director of Homeless Recovery Services

twhite@nso-mi.org

NSO Homeless Recovery Services

882 Oakman Blvd., Ste. B

Detroit, MI 48238

(313) 961-4890

CAM Detroit - Detroit, MI

1600 Porter St.,

Detroit, MI 48216

Phone: (313) 484-4449

<http://www.camdetroit.org/>

camdetroit@swol.org

*This website provides shelters that are open to the public after 6pm.

CAM Rental Assistance

If you need Emergency Rental Assistance, if you are facing an eviction, need assistance and living in Detroit, Hamtramck, and Highland Park call: 1-866-313-2520.

Also contact your Local HARA:

Wayne – Detroit, Highland Park, Hamtramck :

Southwest Counseling Solutions

11:00 - 7:00pm Monday – Friday

1600 Porter St Detroit 48216 (313) 305-0311

ANGEL HOUSE**FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

10:30 am- 8:30pm

248-622-0359

33228 W 12 Mile Rd Suite 189

Farmington Hills, MI 48334

<https://theangelhouse.org/about-us>

Here to Help Foundation

<https://www.heretohelpfoundation.org/activek/home>

EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANTS/CITY OF DETROIT/WAYNE COUNTY

Currently there are funds available through the City of Detroit for Wayne County residents experiencing Homelessness. These funds are used to help families get into a fixed, regular, and adequate home.

Case Manager: (313) 876-0096

UNITED COMMUNITY HOUSING COALITION (located in The Block at Cass Park)
2727 2nd Ave. Detroit, MI 48201

(313) 963-3310

This non-profit organization helps Detroit residents who are low income stay in their homes. UCHC assists with utility assistance, delinquent property taxes, and eviction assistance.

TANF

(313) 456-1000

<https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/assistance-programs/food>

or

https://www.tanf.us/li/wayne_dhhs_48202

3040 W Grand Blvd Suite 5-650

Detroit, MI - 48202

Temporary cash assistance is available for eligible pregnant women and low-income families with minor children.

The Department of Health and Human Services can help you and your family with temporary assistance. You can apply for assistance at this location.

Provide:

Shelter expenses (rent receipt, mortgage payment, property tax bill, homeowner insurance, heat, electric, phone, water, etc.).

Child support paid.

Day care expenses.

Medical or health insurance card.

Medical bills, unpaid.

Shutoff notices for shelter, heat, or utilities.

Alien/Immigration status.

Marriage certificate.

Divorce decree.

Paternity acknowledgement.

Pregnancy expected date of delivery and number of children expected.

DETROIT HOUSING COMMISSION

1301 E. Jefferson St. Detroit, Michigan 48207

Phone: (313) 877-8000

2211 Orleans St. Detroit, Michigan 48207

Phone: (313) 877-8807

Website: <https://www.dhcmi.org>

Specialist: N. Banks (313) 877-8689

Email: banksn@dhcmi.org

Property Listings are available on the website under the Section 8 tab. Please note that DHC has not pre-approved or pre-inspected these properties. The listings are independent of DHC.

Website: www.dhcmi.org

The Emergency Housing Voucher (EHV) program is available through the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA). Through EHV, HUD is providing 70,000 housing choice vouchers to local Public Housing Authorities (PHAs) in order to assist individuals and families who are homeless, at-risk of homelessness, fleeing, or attempting to flee, domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, stalking, or human trafficking, or were recently homeless or have a high risk of housing instability.

The Housing Choice Voucher Program (Section 8) waiting list opens on an as needed basis. When the waitlist is open, a notice will be placed on the homepage of the Detroit Housing Commission's website, in local newspapers, and various social media platforms. Admissions to the program is based on a family's total annual gross income. Tenants of the Housing Choice Voucher Program may qualify for the Home Ownership Program.

Family Unification Program (FUP is a voucher referral program.) If you meet any of the criteria list below, you may contact your local agency or advocate

Families for whom the lack of adequate housing is a primary factor in either:

- o The imminent placement of the family's child or children in out-of-home care.
- o The delay in the discharge of the child or children to the family from out-of-home care

Youth at least 18 years old and not more than 24 years old who:

- o Left foster care at age 16 or older or will leave foster care within 90 days, in accordance with a transition plan described in section 475(5)(H) of the Social Security Act; and
- o Are homeless
- o Are at risk of homelessness.

Public housing agencies (PHAs) administer FUP in partnership with Public Child Welfare Agencies (PCWAs). The PCWA initially determines if the family or youth meets the FUP eligibility requirements certify that the family or youth is eligible and refers those families or youths to the Public Housing Authority (PHA). Once the PCWA makes the referral, the PHA places the FUP applicant on its Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) waiting list and determines whether the family or youth meets HCV program eligibility requirements, including income eligibility. The PHA conducts all other processes relating to voucher issuance and administration.

HOME SEARCH WEBSITES

Detroit Room Rentals

JoEl McNair

Email: jhosta@jhosta.com

Cell: (313) 207-4888

SWOL

<https://www.swsol.org/apartments-for-rent/>

(313) 841-3727

tlopez@swsol.org

www.zillow.com

www.trulia.com

www.hotpads.com

www.apartments.com

www.rent.com

www.rentalprofessionals.com

www.zumper.com

BIRTH CERTIFICATE and DRIVER'S LICENSE

Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness

Aids in birth certificate fees and paperwork, please contact your Homeless Liaison for assistance after speaking with the coalition, we work as advocates for this process.

15851 S. US Hwy 27, Ste 315, Lansing MI, 48906
HMIS Help Line 517/485.6536
MIHelp@mihomeless.org

MDHHS

You are entitled to discounted fees and paperwork to guide you through the process of obtaining vital documents. The application can be provided to you by your Homeless Liaison and also is attached to this resource documentation.

- All the instructions are on the back of the application. You can also access the application online for an extra cost and would need a credit card to order.
- If they mail the application to MDHHS, make sure to completely fill out the application and sign it, send in your identification (requirements listed on back of the application) and a check or money order paid to the "State of Michigan".
- You can also go to the local clerk's office in the city of your birthplace. Those offices may have a lower cost than at the state office. There are also applications that they offer to reduce cost. Going in person is highly recommended.

Detroit Health Department

Homeless Detroit Families are entitled to the D-ID

If you are homeless in the City of Detroit or, if you are a family member or friend of a Detroit homeless resident in need of a Detroit ID, please call a Customer Services Operator at 313-573-5327 for information about requirements for the "D-ID" Card.

If the homeless applicant DOES NOT have an HMIS ID Card or any other photo ID please call 313-774-5388 for assistance. Appointments are available via the phone numbers listed.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Wednesday from 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

MDHHS-Homeless@michigan.gov

100 Mack Avenue, Detroit 48201, (1st floor)

This link has the following information and more:

<https://detroitmi.gov/departments/detroit-health-department/programs-and-services/detroit-id/homeless-residents>

FOOD ASSISTANCE

For quick searches of food in your area purposes check: freefood.org/c/mi-detroit

United Sisters of Charity

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 862-8918

Hours of operation are between 11:00 AM and 12:00 PM on the last Friday of the month. Please call to make an appointment.

Liberty Temple Church

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 305-4442
Mondays every two weeks
1:30am to 2:00pm

For more information, please call.



God's Holy Temple Church

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 883-7774
Open from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

A Voice in the Community

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 850-9013

Thurs: 10-11:30 am

Emmanuel Community House

Highland Park, MI - 48203
313-869-7104

Provides a food pantry. Serves Low-income seniors age 60 or older in the Detroit area (Six Mile Rd. on the south, Eight Mile Rd. on the north, I-75 on the east, and Woodward Ave on the west.) Pantry hours: Monday and Thursday: 9:30am-5pm, 2nd Friday of month: evening. Also offers a bag of food to families in the community every Thursday.

Detroit Rescue Mission-Oasis

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 993-4700

Hours: 24/7

Revival Tabernacle

Highland Park, MI - 48203
(313) 869-0140

Tuesday 12:00pm - 5:00pm.

For more information, please call.

Mercado Food Hub Pantry

2826 Bagley, Detroit, Mi 48216
(313) 963-8880



Capuchins

6333 Medbury St. Detroit, MI 48211
(313) 925-0514

Hours: Monday- Friday 8:30am- 4:00pm

St. Christine Christian Services Complex

Kitchen: Phone (313) 535-7272

Address: 22261 Fenkell Ave. Detroit Mi 48223

Open Weekdays 12:30pm-3:30pm

Address: 22303 Fenkell Ave. Detroit Mi 48223

Open Tuesdays 1:00pm-3:00pm

Focus Hope Food Distribution Center

1200 Oakman Blvd, Detroit, Michigan 48238

Drive thru food pick up Monday-Thursday 8am-4pm Friday 8am-12pm

Food delivery is available

(313)944-4600

Mercy Pantry

Contact: (313) 335-3261

8642 Woodward Ave.

Detroit, MI 48202

*by appointment only



Mi-Bridges

https://newmibridges.michigan.gov/s/isd-landing-page?language=en_US

Apply for these free services and benefits:

- 1) Healthcare Coverage
- 2) Food Assistance
- 3) Cash Assistance
- 4) Child Development & Care
- 5) State Emergency Relief



UTILITY /BILL ASSISTANCE

WAYNE/METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

(313) 388-9799

<https://www.waynemetro.org/help/>

Provides free resources and assistance for housing, food, emergency funds, etc.

BLACK FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

The Homeless Prevention Program services are available to residents of Wayne County.

Contact information:

For further information and referral assistance please contact:

Phone: (313) 758-0150

Administrative Office

2995 E. Grand Blvd

Detroit, MI 48202

Phone: 313-758-0150

SAMARITAN CENTER

5555 Conner Ave. Ste 1038

Detroit, MI 48213

Phone: (313)579-4400

UNITED WAY OF SOUTHEASTERN DETROIT

Dial 211

<https://unitedwaysem.org/our-work/>

DETROIT TEMPLE SALVATION ARMY

THIS LOCATION ISN'T A SHELTER but provides other programs including financial assistance for utility bills and has a financial program to help you.

3729 W. Chicago

Detroit, MI 48206

1-800-725-2769

<https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/temple/overcome-poverty/>

MENTAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH SERVICES

***if immediate help is needed call 988**

SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA)

SAMHSA is a free, confidential, 24/7, 365 day a year treatment referral and information service for individuals and families facing mental and/or substance use disorders. Call 1-800-662-HELP (4357)

Provides referrals to local treatment facilities, support groups and community-based organizations.

also:

Counseling Line

1.888. STAY-WELL (535.6736) *press #8.*

www.michigan.gov

SAY DETROIT FAMILY HEALTH CENTER

A free clinic, we provide examinations, maintenance and preventive healthcare for underinsured women and men.

Contact Information:

211 Glendale Ave.

Highland Park, MI 48203

(313).7586100

<https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/temple/overcome-poverty/>

CERTIFIED COMMUNITY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CLINIC

- 24/7 mental health services
- Same day and next day appointments for mental/physical health services
- Serves children and adults
- Access to prescriptions, treatments, and recovery without financial barriers
- Outpatient mental health, psychiatric and substance use services with licensed counselors
- Care coordination for specialized services
- Targeted case management

The McKenny Center

19750 Burt Rd., Detroit, MI

(313) 977.9550

CENTRAL CITY INTEGRATED HEALTH SERVICES

Central City Integrated Health is committed to providing health care for the whole person. The Access Department serves as the single point of entry for all patients seeking services at CCIH. Access clinicians work with you to determine which services are best for you with the goal of addressing all your needs beginning with your first visit.

Contact Information:

10 Peterboro St.

Detroit, MI 48201

Phone: 1-800-241-4949

<https://centralcityhealth.com/services/services/MENTAL-HEALTH-SERVICES>

Call the 800-241-4949 to get set up and registered

FREE LEGAL SERVICES

Michigan Legal Help

<https://michiganlegalhelp.org/>

NEIGHBORHOOD LEGAL SERVICES MICHIGAN (NLSM)

Neighborhood Legal Services Michigan (NLSM) offers one-of-a-kind services to promote health safety and self-sufficiency. We are a regional business and non-profit collaborative coordinating Southeastern Michigan community outreach and pro-bono partnerships for advocacy, education, and resources of human survival. Abused and homeless individuals, children, seniors, and those with life-challenging illness can sometimes qualify to receive services free of charge.

Contact Information:

7310 Woodward Avenue

Suite 301

Detroit, Michigan 48202

Phone: 313.964.1975

Fax: 313.963.2584

<https://nlsmichigan.org>

LEGAL AID AND DEFENDER ASSOCIATION

613 Abbott St. #6 Detroit Michigan 48226

Contact: (313) 967-5555

Open Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

<https://ladadetroit.org>

When homelessness threatens, the associates at the Legal Aid and Defender Association help clients free of charge through eviction diversion programs and mortgage/tax foreclosure prevention.

- Limited Rental Assistance
- Public Housing
- Landlord-tenant Matters
- Eviction Diversion
- Mortgage Foreclosures
- Section 8 Issues
- Tax Foreclosures
- Land Contract Forfeitures

FURNITURE

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

14325 Jane Avenue Detroit MI 48205

(313).521.6691

FURNITURE BANK OF SOUTHEASTERN MICHIGAN

(248).332.1300

Must obtain a referral from DHS or Capuchins

<https://www.furniture-bank.org/>

*by appointment only and 10-15% of furniture cost

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

(313) 393-2930

3000 Gratiot Ave., Detroit Mi 48207

<https://svdpdetroit.org/>

*also provide utility assistance

EDUCATIONAL AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT

EQUAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARD PROGRAM

This program is designed to highlight the incredible potential of young people in the United States who are struggling with homelessness. The scholarship covers tuition costs up to \$8,000 for students experiencing homelessness or housing instability as defined under the McKinney-Vento Act.

- Applicants must be a legal resident of one of the 50 United States
- Must be on-track to apply for an enrolled accredited post-high school/post-secondary educational program
- Must have a 2.0 unweighted GPA or higher
- Must complete an interview
- Must be in their last year of high school or have already graduated and is at least 16 years of age

(213)453.3214

hello@eequal.org

Website: <https://eequal.org/scholarships/>

FOCUS: HOPE

This non-profit organization offers a range of career development programs that are scholarship-based and free to most students.

1400 Oakman Detroit, Michigan 48238

(313) 494.4300 for work in the area

(313).494.4440 for early learning

(313).494.4434 for development

Website: www.focushope.edu

WAYNE COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT

Accredited community college district offers a range of academic and career programs.

801 W. Fort St. Detroit MI 48226

www.wcccd.edu

<https://www.wcccd.edu>

MICHIGAN WORKS! ASSOCIATION ONE STOP SERVICE CENTER

This association assists with job placement by offering a range of career development opportunities at their One Stop Service Center. These services include career training, job fairs, resume building workshops, networking opportunities etc.

Find your local Michigan Works by phone at (800) 285-9675 or
www.michiganworks.org

SEMCA MICHIGAN WORKS! HIGHLAND PARK AMERICAN JOB CENTER
144 Manchester St. Highland Park, Michigan 48203
<https://www.semca.org/>

DETROIT AT WORK

Career Center hours: 8am-5pm Monday-Friday

Contact: 313-962-WORK (9675)

Visits to the Career Centers are by appointment ONLY. Please call.

INDEED

www.indeed.com

PURE MICHIGAN TALENT CONNECT

www.mitalent.org

MONSTER

www.monster.com

GOVERNMENT JOBS

www.governmentjobs.com

USA JOBS

www.usajobs.gov

ZIP RECRUITER

www.ziprecruiter.com

LINKED IN

www.linkedin.com

DEVELOPMENT CENTERS

Development Centers facilities are located throughout Detroit with services extending into Wayne County communities. Programs include behavioral health services, early childhood programs, and employment assistance specifically for individuals with severe mental illnesses. Each building is ADA Accessible and located near public transportation making it convenient for all to access many programs.

Contact the access department at (313) 531-2500 or the customer service line at (800) 280-0186
<https://develctrs.org/>

ADULT COUNSELING

(313) 841-7474

Waterman Adult Outpatient Center

1700 Waterman

Detroit, MI 48209

FUNERAL ASSISTANCE

SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION

Contact: 1-800-772-1213 or at 1-800-325-0778 (TTY)

Website: www.ssa.gov

Some of the deceased's family members may be able to receive Social Security benefits if the deceased person worked long enough in jobs insured under Social Security to qualify for benefits. *Contact the Social Security Administration to make sure your family receives all the benefits they're entitled to.*

- SSA will pay a one-time payment of \$255 to the surviving spouse if they were living with the deceased. If living apart from the deceased and eligible for certain Social Security benefits on the deceased's record, the surviving spouse may still be able to get this one-time payment. If there's no surviving spouse, a child who's eligible for benefits on the deceased's record in the month of death can get this payment.
- Certain family members may be eligible to receive monthly benefits, including:
 - A widow or widower age 60 or older (age 50 or older if disabled).
 - A widow or widower of any age caring for the deceased's child who is under age 16 or disabled.
 - An unmarried child of the deceased who is either:
 - Younger than age 18 (or up to age 19 if they're a full-time student in an elementary or secondary school).
 - Age 18 or older with a disability that began before age 22.

WAYNE METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY

Wayne Metro Cares Relief and Recovery Services

Please visit www.waynemetro.org or call the Wayne Metro CONNECT Center at (313) 388-9799.

The CONNECT Center hours are Monday-Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

When the descendant's estate, mandatory copayments, etc., are not sufficient, burial payment assistance may be available to pay for:

- Burial;
- Cremation; or
- Costs associated with donation of a body to a medical school.

An application for burial assistance must be made no later than 10 business days after the burial, cremation or donation takes place. The decedent's remains must be in Michigan. Transportation, or other charges to bring a decedent back to Michigan, is not covered.

Contact your local Department of Human Services

https://www.michigan.gov/mdhhs/0,5885,7-339-73970_5461_7387-288301--,00.html