### Coordinated Resources for Homelessness and Housing Assistance

EmpowerNet Hotline @ empower net



Domestic and sexual violence 24/7 call or text: 804-612-6126 www.ywcarichmond.org

## Help1RVA

Help with housing, food, childcare, employment, and more help1rva.org

### Homeless Connection Line



Currently or within 3 days of experiencing homelessness 804-972-0813, Mon - Fri 8am-12pm and 1pm-9pm; Sat-Sun 1pm-9pm <u>hclrva.org</u>

Immediate danger: 9-1-1

Suicide and crisis lifeline: 9-8-8

### **Housing Resource Line**

Help navigating housing needs 804-422-5061, Mon - Fri, 8:30am to 4:30pm pharva.com/the-housing-resource-line

**Span Center** (formerly Senior Connections) Advocacy and services for older adults 804-343-3000

spancenter.org





List of partner agencies and more resources

Concerned About Someone Sleeping Outdoors? bit.ly/RVAOutreach





# **Housing Search Tips**

### **Housing Search Engines:**

- Apartments.com
- Zillow.com
- <u>Hotpads.com</u>
- Apartmentfinder.com
- Zumper.com
- Affordablehousing.com

### Filter the search to fit your needs:

- Unit size
- Location
- Price range
- Amenities



### **Helpful Housing Search Questions:**

- What are the income requirements, and do I meet them?
- What are the background check requirements? Do I meet them? If not, is the unit able to be flexible?
- When is the unit available? Is it in a timeframe that will help me quickly end my housing crisis?
- What things are important to me to have in a unit (pets, location, parking, etc.)?
- What can I be flexible on if neccesary to end my housing crisis?
- Does this unit meet my current housing needs?

#### **Avoid Rental Scams!**

- Be cautious giving personal info over the phone or online.
- View the listing in person. Don't go alone or tell someone where you are going.
- Make sure the listing shows lots of photos of the unit.
- Don't make a security deposit before signing the lease.
- Make sure you are signing a legally binding lease agreement.