

## Charlotte County Assistance Programs

A combination of government grants as well as non-profits provide assistance with rent across Charlotte County as well as nearby DeSoto. Rent help can also be arranged for the disabled as well as senior citizens in the service area.

Even if funding is not available, then tenants can inquire into other resources. Case managers from many of these organizations may have suggestions on other options for paying rent, or they may be able to enroll the family into some form of mediation service that is available in Charlotte County Florida.

Working poor families as well as those under with special circumstances, such as a veteran or single parent, may also be able to apply for a grant. Whether it is money for a security deposit, one time rent help, or referrals to section 8, some of the places to try for assistance are below.

### **Charlotte County Homeless Coalition**

Address is 1476 Kenesaw St

Port Charlotte, Florida

Call 627-4313 Monday to Friday

Assistance is available county wide. The non-profit or partners, such as charities, offer shelter as well as transitional housing. Other programs help with back money, issue loans for security deposits, and help rehouse families.

### **Salvation Army Family Centers**

2120 Loveland Blvd

Port Charlotte, Florida

Phone – 629-5950

Appoints are needed. They can help tenants apply for grants for rent or utility bills.

### **Catholic Charities of DeSoto County**

Main address of the church - 1210 East Oak Street

Arcadia, FL, 34266

863-494-1068.

### **St Charles Church**

21841 Felton Ave

Port Charlotte, Florida

941-625-9784

Small dollar amounts may be available for rent. Other support is shelter for the homeless or a blanket to keep them warm.

### **Punta Gorda Housing Authority Financial Assistance**

Location 340 Gulf Breeze Avenue

Punta Gorda, FL 33950

Phone - (941) 639-4344

Process applications for section 8 vouchers. Also, Charlotte County residents can learn about public housing or homeowners can receive foreclosure counseling.

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**Sacred Heart Church**, which is part of Society of St Vincent De Paul  
25200 Airport Rd  
Punta Gorda, Florida  
(941) 639-3957

**Good Samaritans of Charlotte County** may have limited financial aid for rent or other bills. The staff can also refer the client to medical programs, government grants, and non-interest loans for housing or rental needs. Punta Gorda Florida based, or dial (941) 639-3335.

**North Port Social Services Financial Assistance**  
Call (941) 429-3700

**Seventh Day Adventist Church**  
Location is 2036 Loveland Blvd  
Main phone – 629-0398  
Rental assistance in a crisis may help stabilize a situation. All funding is limited.

**Volunteers of America of Florida**  
1250 Taylor Rd, Unit 322  
Punta Gorda, Florida  
Telephone – 505-0421  
They support Homeless Veterans in Charlotte County. Transitional housing is arranged as well as applications to SSVF or VA benefits.

**San Antonio Catholic Church Financial Assistance**  
24445 Rampart Boulevard  
Port Charlotte, Florida 33980  
Telephone - (941) 235-1254

**Emergency Solution Grant Program – Rapid Rehousing**  
205-2161  
Referrals are given to everything from low income apartments, senior housing, to rent and security deposit assistance programs. A call center is in place.