



Resource Guide for Pittsburgh

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Shelters & Emergency Housing

Please Note: The resources listed below are provided for informational purposes only. Inclusion on this list does not guarantee shelter availability. We recommend calling ahead to confirm space, eligibility, and intake procedures. Availability may vary based on capacity, time of day, and specific program criteria.

Alle-Kiski Area HOPE Center

(724) 224-1100

500 E 8th Ave, Tarentum, PA 15084

<https://akhopecenter.org/>

Bethlehem Haven

(412) 391-1443 ext 1

905 Watson Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

<https://bethlehemhaven.org/>

Catholic Charities of Pittsburgh

(412) 456-6999

111 Boulevard of the Allies, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

<https://www.ccpgh.org/>

East End Cooperative Ministry Men's Emergency Shelter

(412) 361-5549

6140 Station Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

<https://www.eecm.org/>

FamilyLinks Youth Emergency Shelter

(866) 730-2368

<https://www.familylinks.org/>

Hearts of the Homeless

(412) 335-5348

478 Enright Ct, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

hearts@heartsofthehomeless.org - email

Light of Life Rescue Mission

(412) 803-4120

234 Voegtly Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

<https://www.lightoflife.org/>

McKeesport Downtown Housing

(412) 664-9168

523 Sinclair Street, McKeesport, PA 15132

Northside Common Ministries Pleasant Valley Men's Shelter

(412) 323-1163

1601 Brighton Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

<https://www.ncmin.org/>

Pittsburgh Mercy Emergency Shelter at Second Avenue Commons

(412) 775-9001

700 Second Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

<https://www.pittsburghmercy.org/>

The Salvation Army Family Caring Center

(412) 362-0891

<https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/>

Whale's Tale McKeesport Outreach for Homeless Youth

(412) 672-8632

416 Olive St, McKeesport, PA 15132

Womanspace East

(412) 765-2661

2000 Fifth Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

<https://www.wseinc.org/>

Women's Center & Shelter of Greater Pittsburgh

(412) 687-8005

<https://wcspittsburgh.org/>

Food & Nutrition Assistance

Brashear Association - Food Pantry - Henry Kaufmann Center

(412) 431-2236

<https://www.brashearassociation.org/food-assistance>

Bridge City Church - Food Pantry

(412) 824-1616

<https://www.bridgecitypgh.com/food-distribution-info>

Community Human Services Corporation - Food Pantry

(412) 246-1601
<https://chscorp.org/food-pantry>

Farmers' Markets Lists (2025)

<https://www.pittsburghpa.gov/Recreation-Events/Events/Farmers-Markets>

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

(412) 460-3663
<https://pittsburghfoodbank.org/find-food/get-help/>

Jubilee Association - Soup Kitchen and Social Services

(412) 261-5417
<https://www.jubileesoupkitchen.com/>

Macedonia Family and Community Enrichment Center - Lunchbox Project

(412) 281-2573
<https://www.macedoniaface.org/lifelinelunchbox>

Pittsburgh Community Services - Food Assistance Program

(412) 904-4700
<https://www.pghcsi.org/copy-of-anti-hunger-initiatives>

Urban League of Greater Pittsburgh - Emergency Food Assistance (EFA)

(412) 227-4164
<https://ulpgh.org/programs/housing/hunger-services/>

Cash/Financial Assistance

Allegheny Valley Association

(724) 226-0606
<http://avaoc.org/>

Provides financial assistance for families experiencing emergency situations (e.g., emergency food vouchers, utilities, gasoline, rent, furniture, clothing, emergency travel assistance, prescriptions).

Bartko Foundation

(412) 371-1142
<http://bartkofoundation.org/index.php/about-us/contact>

Non-profit organization whose mission is to invest in the self-sufficiency of single minority mothers.

Brashear Association - Neighborhood Employment Center and the Brashear CARES Center

(412) 431-2236 or (412) 390-3588

<https://www.brashearassociation.org/utility-and-rental-assistance>

Catholic Churches

(412) 456-6999

<https://www.ccpgh.org/services/basic-needs-assistance>

Helps meet the basic needs of individuals by providing essential supplies, and rental and utility assistance.

Housing Stabilization Program (HSP)

(866) 730-2368

<https://www.ura.org/pages/housing-stabilization-program>

Intervention program that provides financial assistance to households who are facing a temporary non-recurring housing crisis up to \$3,000.

Jubilee Association

(412) 261-5417

<https://www.garfieldjubilee.org/about/>

Lighthouse Foundation - Whole Life Ministries

(724) 903-0064

<https://www.thelighthousepa.org/whole-life-ministries>

Offers emergency financial assistance for rent and utilities. *Anyone who may receive financial assistance through the foundation is required to attend one of the financial literacy classes offered at various times and locations throughout Butler County*

Neighborhood Allies - Economic Opportunity

(412) 471-3727

<https://neighborhoodallies.org/how-we-help/economic-opportunity/>

Fund My Future PGH - Growing Savings - monthly prize pool of \$2,000

Financial Empowerment Center - 1-800-298-0237

North Hills Community Outreach

(412) 487-6316

<https://www.nhco.org/services>

Provides many free services such as utilities, transportation, and many more.

Pittsburgh Presbytery Lazarus Fund - Justice Ministries

(412) 697-7390

<https://www.pghpresbytery.org/justice-ministries/>

Provides financial assistance for rent, utilities, mortgage payments, and security deposits.

Salvation Army - Assistance Programs

(412) 921-9780

https://centralusa.salvationarmy.org/usc/utility_assistance/

Emergency Financial Assistance and other assistance programs - in your area -

https://wpa.salvationarmy.org/WesternPennsylvania/plugins/gdosCenterSearch?query=15136&mode=query_1&limit=20

Urban League of Pittsburgh

(412) 727-2640

<https://ulpgh.org/programs/housing/rental-assistance/>

Accepts rental assistance through Allegheny Link.

*Must contact Allegheny Link directly for funds - 1-866-730-2368

Must meet eligibility requirements for Housing Opportunity Fund (HOF) and Family Housing Stabilization Program (FHSP)*

YWCA of Greater Pittsburgh - Resource Center

(412) 391-5100

<https://www.ywcapgh.org/what-we-do/resource-center/>

Provides emergency financial assistance and empowerment grants for individuals and families in need. The Liza Prine Fund provides direct, one-time assistance to help a woman improve her circumstances.

Utilities Assistance

Allegheny and Pittsburgh Salvation Army

(412) 207-2127

<https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/western-pennsylvania/utility-assistance/>

Allegheny Link

(866) 730-2368

One Smithfield Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15222

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Services/Housing/Allegheny-Link>

Allegheny Valley Association Of Churches

(724) 226-0606

<http://avaoc.org/programs/emergency-assistance/>

Dollar Energy Fund

(412) 431-2800 or (800) 683-7036

<https://www.dollarenergy.org/need-help/>

Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx>

Income-eligible households can apply for an energy assistance grant to help with energy bills and overdue water bills. The program is based on income and number in a household. The program normally opens around November each year.

To apply -

<http://www.compass.state.pa.us/> or call (866) 857-7095

Low-Income Water Assistance Program (LIWAP)

<https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHWAP.aspx>

Income-eligible households can apply for an energy assistance grant to help with energy bills and overdue water bills. The program is based on income and number in a household. The program normally opens around November each year.

To apply -

<http://www.compass.state.pa.us/> or call (866) 857-7095

PA Public Utility Commission (PUC)

(800) 692-7380

<https://www.puc.pa.gov/>

Pennsylvania Utility Law Project (PULP)

(844) 645-2500

www.pautilitylawproject.org

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Council of Pittsburgh

(412) 321-1071

<https://svdppitt.org/services/utility-assistance/>

Provides many different services including utility assistance, food, rent, bus pass, car repair, medical, dental, cable, phone, clothing voucher, furniture voucher, security deposit, and others.

To find assistance within your area, go to this link and search your zip code -

<https://svdppitt.org/services/assistance/>

Furniture & Appliances Assistance

Construction Junction

(412) 339-9450 Please text, do not call

<https://cjreuse.org/>

East End Community Thrift Shop (“Thrifty”)

(412) 361-6010

<https://www.thomasmertoncenter.org/thrifty>

Free Store 15104 & Wilkinsburg

(201) 532-1722

<https://www.freestore15104.org/>

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Pittsburgh - ReStore

(412) 244-7100

<https://www.habitatpittsburgh.org/restore>

National Council of Jewish Women - NCJW Thriftique

(412) 742-4951

<https://www.ncjwpg.org/programs/thriftique/>

The Salvation Army Family Thrift Store

www.wpa.salvationarmy.org

855 E Carson Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15203 - (412) 481-7900

6150 Mountain View Drive West Mifflin, PA 15122 - (412) 466-0216

Sleep in Heavenly Peace

(844) 432-2337

<https://www.shpbeds.org/chapter/pa-mars>

Provides beds for kids. Click on the link to request a bed!

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul Council of Pittsburgh

(412) 321-1071

<https://svdppitt.org/services/vouchers/>

Provides Furniture and Household Goods Vouchers.

The Blessing Board

<https://blessingboard.org/>

Application for appointment -

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSce5bkH5l7EZNaFB58vzA-yOV1wTcAOuc_y_CpEj8gluw_onw/viewform

Useful Links, Resources, Support

A Child's Place - Healthy Parenting Program

(412) 650-0455

<https://www.achildsplacepa.org/healthy-parenting-program>

Allegheny County Programs and Services - Children and Families -

<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Programs-Services/Children-and-Families.aspx>

Allegheny Family Network

(412) 246-2030

<https://www.alleghenyfamilynetwork.org/>

Allegheny Family Network Parent Support Line
(888) 273-2361

Allegheny Intermediate Unit (AIU)
(412) 394-5700
<https://www.aiu3.net/>

The Alliance for Infants and Toddlers
(412) 885-6000
<https://www.aft.org/>

Angel's Place
Northside - (412) 321-4447
Swissvale - (412) 271-2229
<https://www.angelsplacepgh.org/>

Birthright of Pittsburgh, Inc.
(412) 621-1988 - 24/7 Help Line - (800) 550-4900
<https://birthrightpittsburgh.org/>

Center for Family Excellence
(412) 232-0314
<https://cap4kids.org/pittsburgh/315510884/>

Center For Victims
(866) 644-2882
<https://centerforvictims.org/>

Community Human Services
(412) 246-1600
<https://chscorp.org/>

Early Head Start & Head Start
(412) 350-6611
<https://www.alleghenycounty.us/Human-Services/Programs-Services/Basic-Needs/Early-Head-Start-and-Head-Start.aspx>

Every Child Inc.
(412) 665-0600
<https://www.everychildinc.org/>

Family Centers
(412) 350-6611
<https://familycenters.alleghenycounty.us/who-we-are/>

Family Health Council of Central Pennsylvania Inc.
(717) 761-7380
<https://fhccp.org/community-programs/>

Family Resources

(412) 363-1702

<https://familyresources.org/>

Family Support Centers (list) -

<http://yfrp.pitt.edu/resources/services-and-support/family-resources/family-support-centers>

Find Help

<https://www.findhelp.org/>

Genesis of Pittsburgh

(412) 766-5212

<https://genesispgh.org/>

Healthy Start

(412) 247-4009

<https://healthstartpittsburgh.org/>

Hello Baby

<https://hellobabypgh.org/>

Highmark's Caring Place

(888) 224-4673

<https://www.highmarkcaringplace.com/cp2/index.shtml>

Hosanna House - Child Development

(412) 342-1327

<https://hosannahouse.org/children-families/child-development/>

Jeremiah's Place

(412) 924-0726

<https://jeremiahsplace.org/>

Mercy Behavioral Health

(877) 637-2924

<https://www.pittsburghmercy.org/>

Neighborhood Legal Services

(412) 255-6700

www.nlsa.us

NurturePA - Parent Mentoring Program

info@nurturepa.org

<https://nurturepa.org/>

PA211

<https://www.pa211.org/>

PA Department of Education - The Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL)
CCCS
(800) 599-6497
<https://www.cccspa.org/>

PA Parent and Family Alliance
(888) 273-2361
<https://www.paparentandfamilyalliance.org/>

Parenting WarmLine
(412) 641-4546
<https://tryingtogether.org/dap/parenting-warmline/>

Parents Without Partners
(800) 637-7974
<https://www.parentswithoutpartners.org/>

PA Smoking Free Quitline
(800) QUIT-NOW (784-8669)

Planned Parenthood of Western PA
(800) 230-7526 or TEXT for any questions related to sexual health (412) 424-6827
<https://www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthood-western-pennsylvania>

Providence Family Support Center
(412) 766-6730
<http://providenceconnections.org/>

Roselia Pregnancy and Parenting Support Services
(412) 456-6965
<https://www.ccpgh.org/services/pregnancy-and-parenting-support-services>

Second Chance
(412) 342-0600
<https://www.asecondchance-kinship.com/>

Trying Together - Hub & Family Center
(412) 421-3889
<https://tryingtogether.org/>

United Way
(412) 261-6010
<https://uwsdpa.org/>

Urban League - Family Support Centers
(412) 469-9870
<https://ulpgh.org/programs/family-support-centers/>

Wesley Family Services - ParentWISE Education Classes

(724) 217-8303

<https://wfspa.org/service/parentwise-education-classes/>

YWCA Early Learning & Education Programs

(412) 391-5100

<https://www.ywcapgh.org/what-we-do/education/early-learning/>