



DU PAGE HOUSING ACTION COALITION

DuPage County's Centralizing Advocacy Force for Affordable Housing

**DUPAGE COUNTY HOUSING
RESOURCES**

The DuPage Housing Action Coalition (DHAC) is a broad-based grassroots network advocating for affordable and fair housing in DuPage County. While DHAC does not provide any direct housing services or assistance, many of our member organizations do.

To aid you, we have compiled a list of services provided by our members. These organizations provide services across the housing continuum—from homelessness to affordable homeownership.

Attached you will find descriptions of services provided and contact information for the select member organizations providing these services.

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Member Affordable Housing Resources

Emergency Financial Assistance

Naperville Cares

Naperville CARES provides emergency financial assistance to residents of Naperville who need assistance to help pay for such basic needs as housing, utilities and child care. We also have a car donation program that repairs donated cars to make them road worthy for households that lack transportation. Call the Naperville CARES office at (630) 369-0200 to complete a phone application.

Contact Number: (630) 369-0200

www.napervillecares.org

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities provides food and travel vouchers; clothing and furniture vouchers; financial assistance for prescriptions; and rent/mortgage assistance, and information and referral to other community resources.

Contact number: (630) 495-8008

www.cc-doj.org

People's Resource Center

People's Resource Center, with locations in Wheaton and Westmont, provides DuPage individuals and families experiencing a short-term crisis with financial assistance to avoid eviction and homelessness. Funds can also be used to assist homeless individuals or families in securing housing by providing short term financial assistance and/or supportive services to eligible families. Additional complimentary services offered by People's Resource Center provide for basic needs, such as food and clothing, as well as empowerment programs to help break the cycle of poverty. These include ESL, literacy, GED and citizenship instruction, computer training and access, job assistance and art enrichment programs.

Contact number: 630-682-5402

www.peoplesrc.org



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Emergency Shelter

DuPage PADS

DuPage PADS' Overnight Shelter is housed in different congregations each night of the week on a seasonal basis for individuals and families. From October - April, three sites are open each night with a maximum bed capacity of 140. Between May - September, one shelter site is open with a maximum bed capacity of 80.

Contact Number: (630) 682-3846

www.dupagepads.org

Catholic Charities Hope House

Catholic Charities Hope House offers temporary shelter and support for DuPage County families who are homeless due to situations such as eviction, job loss, depleted savings, credit issues, etc. Residents are required to secure employment, save money toward permanent housing and share in daily responsibilities at the shelter. Residents also receive intensive case management services, counseling, money management training and support as they work toward independence.

Contact Number: (630) 941-8681

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Transitional Housing

Bridge Communities

Bridge Communities' transitional housing program provides apartments, supportive service and a stable environment to homeless families who are working to improve or develop the skills necessary to live independently. This is typically defined by a two-year time period. Bridge Communities works with local faith-based and community action groups that provide mentors and essential financial support. Bridge provides professional case management, education tutoring, career counseling and coaching and donated automobiles.

Contact Number: (630) 545-0610

www.bridgecommunities.org

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities provides housing and supportive services to homeless families and their children while they work toward permanent housing and a quality of life that supports their needs. The program represents a unique partnership which joins the participating family with the professional case management services of Catholic Charities and the loving support of local churches or community groups. Services provided includes case management, independent living skills training, budgeting, money management, financial literacy training, Out of Poverty classes and other services as needed to maximize their independence and improve their quality of life.

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DuPage PADS' Transitional Housing is a voluntary twenty-four month program for single men and women that can serve as a pathway from being homeless to moving toward obtaining permanent housing. The Transitional Housing Program offers a combination of housing, support services, and employment assistance to empower clients to gain self-sufficiency and become productive members of their community.

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Supportive Housing

DuPage PADS

PADS' Permanent Supportive Housing program brings stability and support to individuals and families who are persistently homeless and face complex challenges such as limited incomes and issues that may include mental illness, substance use, and disabling health conditions. A combination of safe affordable scattered site apartments, linked with services including life skill coaching/case management, financial literacy training, parent support/training, counseling, and employment assistance allows people to live independently and retain their housing.

Contact Number: (630) 682-3846

www.dupagepads.org

Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities serves individuals and/or families with children, in which one or more family members experiences a disability that seriously limits their ability to function independently in the community. Households reside in affordable, safe, scattered site apartments throughout the County. Services provided include case management, independent living skills training, access to employment support, budgeting, money management, financial literacy training, parent training, behavioral health services, specialized counseling, Out of Poverty



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Senior Home Sharing

Senior Home Sharing provides affordable senior housing by providing a shared housing alternative. Senior Home Sharing's mission is to provide an affordable housing alternative with support services. Seniors rent a private room within one of the homes and furnish it with their own belongings. Common areas of the home such as the kitchen, living room, family room and deck or patio are shared by the residents. Each residence has its unique characteristics, but all provide the services of a live-in manager, three home-prepared meals a day and case management.

Contact Number: 630) 407-0440, Ext. 251

www.seniorhomesharing.org

Permanent Affordable Rental Housing

Community Housing Association of DuPage (CHAD)

CHAD provides rental housing for low- and moderate-income individuals and families. The size of the rental units ranges from single rooms and one-bedroom apartments to seven bedrooms and detached residential homes, located in 27 communities. Rental subsidies are provided by federal and state sources so that residents do not pay more than 30% to 40% of their income for rent. CHAD currently manages 386 units located in 27 communities in DuPage.

Contact Number: (630) 993-9530 Website: www.chadhousing.org

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Affordable Homeownership

DuPage Homeownership Center

The DuPage Homeownership Center is a HUD-certified housing counseling agency offering free education and counseling for first-time home buyers, free foreclosure prevention counseling, and free reverse mortgage counseling for senior homeowners. The agency's DuPage Homestead Program provides special mortgage financing for low-income buyers.

Contact number: (630) 260-2500 Website: www.dhoc.org

Habitat for Humanity

DuPage Habitat builds and sells homes to working families using the funds and volunteers provided by corporate, faith-based and individual sponsors. Habitat homes are not given away, nor are they earned solely through 'sweat equity.' Homes are built by volunteers and partner families then sold to the families on the basis of need, ability to re-pay a 30-year mortgage, and a willingness to invest 250 hours of 'sweat equity' labor in Habitat's work.

Contact Number: (630) 510-3737 Website: www.dupagehabitat.org

Homeownership and Foreclosure Counseling

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A comprehensive list of DuPage County Services is also available at the DuPage County Human Services Community Resource Information (C.R.I.S.) at www.dupagecris.org or DuPage County Human Services Information and Referral at (800)-942-9412 or (630) 407-6500.