RESIDENTIAL SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT (RSAT)

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Helping People Released from Prisons and Jails Find Housing:

A State by State Resource Guide

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State by State COVID-19 Emergency Housing Information for Persons Reentering the Community in Needs of Safe Shelter and Housing

Introduction

More and more correctional facilities are releasing persons in order to reduce populations as a result of the threat posed by theCOVID-19 pandemic. Many RSAT program participants are in this number. The fast-tracked release of so many persons at a time when many re-entry programs, social services, and transition housing resources may be temporarily closed or operating at limited capacity calls for the redoubling of reentry and transitional programming. Nothing may be of more critical importance than locating safe and secure housing for those being released who do not have secure housing waiting for them. This manual was designed to assist in that effort.

Since many transitional housing facilities have closed their doors or transferred residents to accommodations that allow for social distancing, isolation or quarantine, information on shelter closings and regional shelter coordination centers has become critical. The information on emergency housing resources and contacts for each state is based on the most current information available. However, because conditions are changing rapidly, it is important to verify that the services listed are still available. Contacts and information on COVID-19-specific state and local contacts listed include emergency and non-congregate housing options such as short-term hotel room leasing, converted dormitories or public buildings, and trailer units.

In cases where there is little or no information on COVID-19-specific housing resources, contacts for coalitions to end homelessness, local or state housing and homelessness continuums of care, and other reliable contacts for housing resources are included.

State resources follow immediately after federal and national resources are listed.

If we have missed any resources in your state, please let us know so we can update this and keep it as current as possible. Email nmiller@ahpnet.com . Thanks

Stay well.

National Housing Resources/COVID-19 Information

♦ U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD) COVID-19 Information/Resources: https://www.hud.gov/coronavirus

♦ HUD Listing of State Housing & Homelessness Information/Resources: https://www.hud.gov/states

♦ COVID-19 Emergency Housing Tracker – National League of Cities in Partnership with Bloomberg Philanthropies https://covid19.nlc.org/resources/covid-19-local-action-tracker/

♦ National Alliance to End Homelessness - Coronavirus and Homelessness webinar series: https://endhomelessness.org/coronavirus-and-homelessness/

♦ National Housing Conference - COVID-19 Housing Resource Center: https://covid19.nhc.org/

♦ National Low Income Housing Coalition - Shelter Closings https://nlihc.org/shelter-closings

♦ National Healthcare for the Homeless -Coronavirus and the HCH Community webinar: Guidance, Local Preparations, and Outstanding Issues: https://nhchc.org/webinars/coronavirus-and-the-hch-community-status-updates-available-guidance-local-preparations-and-outstanding-issues/

Note: Nearly all states have instituted a moratorium on evictions and have resources available for rent and mortgages relief programs.

Note: Several states have received permission from FEMA to use federal disaster funds to provide emergency housing. In all cases, FEMA guidance has indicated moving homeless individuals out of crowded congregate areas is an allowable use of funds.

State by State COVID-19 Emergency Housing Information

♦Alabama

Housing Resources: Homeless shelters throughout the state have reduced capacity or closed their doors altogether. The Salvation Army in Mobile has been forced to reduce the capacity at its homeless shelter to comply with COVID-19 distancing rules, while the Waterfront Mission, Wings of Life, McKemie Place (women's shelter) are not taking new clients. One Roof which serves Bessemer, Birmingham, Hoover/Jefferson, Shelby, St. Clair Counties has closed. However, Housing First, which serves Mobile and Baldwin Counties is open, but is limiting face-to-face meetings and coordinating entry intakes, referrals, and emergency information by phone (251) 450-3345. For statewide emergency housing information dial 311, or contact local County Health Departments and Department of Human Resource Offices.

Related Executive Orders:
Emergency Order: Non-Congregate Sheltering

♦Arizona

Housing Resources: Gov. Ducey's COVID-19 relief package includes $6.7 million to support vulnerable Arizonans. The Emergency Crisis Contingency and Safety Net Fund is dedicating $5 million toward assisting homeless shelters in preventing and slowing of the spread of COVID-19 through:
- Temporary isolation and quarantine housing;
- Sanitation supplies and services;
- And other direct resources as needed.

The Governor also has directed the Arizona Department of Housing (ADOH), the Arizona Department of Economic Security (DES), and the Arizona Department of Administration (ADOA) to join together to work with public and private-sector partners to help ensure the homeless have clean and safe housing.

Phoenix: On April 21, Phoenix City Council dedicated nearly $27 million dollars of federal COVID-19 funding to support vulnerable populations in the community. The money will be used to combat homelessness, address housing insecurity, and provide micro-loans and grants for local small businesses and non-profits. Check the City of Phoenix updated COVID-19 website for details and resources as they become available: https://www.phoenix.gov/newsroom/em-and-hs/1054

Related Executive Orders:
Governor Ducey Announces $6.7 Million in Funding to Support Vulnerable Arizonans

♦Alaska

Housing Resources: Most of the information available on state websites pertaining to housing simply link to CDC COVID-19 guidance for homelessness and housing services. However, the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness has information on the Mayor's order to provide emergency housing to an estimated 480 people in need of shelter: https://anchoragehomeless.org/covid-19-resources/ Bean's Café opened one site on 3/21 with capacity of 290, and is facilitating a request to provide additional units. The two facilities being used for emergency overnight shelter are the Sullivan Arena and Ben Boeke Ice Arena, which allows sufficient space for shelter officials to set up sleeping facilities at a distance of six feet apart.

♦ Arkansas

Housing Resources: Executive orders restrict short term rentals to those in need including homeless or unable to return to their homes. The AR Department of Human Services, Office of Community Services provides a listing of 2019-20 Emergency Solutions grantee homeless shelters at the link: https://humanservices.arkansas.gov/images/uploads/dco/EmergencySolutionsGrantProgram2020.pdf

Related Executive Orders:
EO 20-13 Requiring New Protocols for Commercial Lodgings, Short-Term Rentals

♦ California

Housing Resources: Executive orders by Gov. Newson pertain to a moratorium on evictions, foreclosures, extending public housing application deadlines, and monitoring actions of utility companies. The state has budgeted $50 million to helping to shelter its estimated homeless population of 150,000, statewide. It is estimated that from 20-30% of the incarcerated population may be homeless. So far, the state has procured at least 7,000 short-term hotel room leases to accommodate vulnerable populations and those experiencing homelessness, and is leasing trailer units. Below is information available on local housing resources; contact information included when available.

Alameda County: Isolation Housing for COVID-1 - Project Roomkey & Operation Safe
https://www.achch.org/isolation-housing.html

Fresno: City/county made 300 beds available; and have already filled 200. Approximately $2 million in state funds, plus $ 3 million in local funding will be used to house homeless and secure resources. City and county leaders are working with hotel and motel owners.

Los Angeles: The mayor announced the city will add 1,600 of emergency shelter beds in thirteen city recreation centers to help get homeless Angelenos indoors, using money from a $20 million budget reserve fund in partnership with City Council. More locations to be identified. The city will work with the County, LAHSA, and other partners to identify individuals in the homeless population who face the greatest risk from the coronavirus for Los Angeles County-Project Roomkey:
https://covid19.lacounty.gov/homelessness-and-housing/

Sacramento: Sacramento has approved a $15-million joint city and county plan to provide nearly 1,000 beds for homeless people either diagnosed with or at high-risk for contracting COVID-19. These beds — located in motels, trailers, and existing shelters- will allow at-risk or infected homeless people to be cared for in isolation. The City's shelter on North Fifth Street was expanded. However, there is no walk-up admission to the trailers at Cal Expo or the hotels rooms that the County will be leasing. Referrals will be handled by shelter, outreach, and health partners:
https://sacramentocityexpress.com/2020/04/08/city-county-join-forces-on-15-million-plan-to-stop-the-spread-of-covid-19-among-homeless-people/
The joint plan is being implement by the Sacramento Homelessness COVID-19 Response Team task force, Sacramento Steps Forward, and the Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA). Elements of the plan include: 850 motel rooms and 63 new travel trailers at Cal Expo.

San Diego: Dubbed "Operation Shelter to Home," the temporary repurposing of the convention center as a shelter will support a broader regional approach to address homelessness during this state of emergency. The county's nine bridge homeless shelters with public nurses will convert to screening and triage centers. The county has secured 1,954 hotel rooms for people showing coronavirus symptoms or for vulnerable populations. Contact San Diego County directly for sheltering the homeless through the

city, county and the Regional Task Force on the Homeless. https://www.kusi.com/san-diego-convention-center-to-be-homeless-shelter-amid-covid-19-crisis/

San Francisco: Mayor Breed created a $5 million emergency fund in response to COVID-19 and its potential impact on homeless people and residents of single-room occupancy hotels. Temporary isolation housing will include recreational vehicles (RVs), which have been leased and will be staged in the Presidio. The RVs will be placed in various secure locations throughout the city as needed. The City is also in the process of identifying additional locations for auxiliary quarantine housing, including unoccupied residential property. City officials have identified 8,000 possible rooms so far. Check for updates as: www.sfdph.org/dph/alerts/coronavirus.asp You can also call 311 and sign up for the City's alert service for official updates or: text COVID19SF to 888-777. Also, The San Francisco Chronicle compiled a list of homeless organizations around the Bay Area. The local station also has updates: https://www.kqed.org/news/11807409/coronavirus-what-bay-area-counties-are-doing-for-homeless-residents-and-how-you-can-help

San Jose: In collaboration with the Santa Clara Office of Supportive Housing, the City of San Jose Housing Department is supporting the local emergency effort to house those experiencing homelessness. Nearly 800 shelter beds have been identified in hotels and motels and at local universities.

Related Executive Orders:
Governor Newsom Visits Project Roomkey Site in Santa Clara County to Highlight Progress on the State's Initiative to Protect Homeless Individuals from COVID-19
Governor Newsom Signs Executive Order to Expand Support for Vulnerable Populations
TOMORROW: Governor Newsom to Provide Update on State's Emergency Actions to Protect Homeless Californians and Public from COVID-19
At Newly Converted Motel, Governor Newsom Launches Project Roomkey: A First-in-the-Nation Initiative to Secure Hotel & Motel Rooms to Protect Homeless Individuals from COVID-19
Governor Newsom Takes Emergency Actions & Authorizes $150 Million in Funding to Protect Homeless Californians from COVID-19
In South LA, Governor Newsom Visits Formerly Homeless Families Provided Temporary Housing in State-Owned Travel Trailers

♦ Colorado

Housing Resources: Executive orders prohibit evictions. State Housing is work with statewide non-profit and local government partners on temporary rental and mortgage assistance.

Boulder-As of 3/16, Coordinated Entry & Path to Home Navigation relocated to the Boulder Shelter for the Homeless in north Boulder. To protect staff, clients and shelter residents, Coordinated Entry, the contact for receiving homeless services in Boulder County, will conduct assessments via phone at 303-579-4404 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day, but from Noon – 4 p.m. on Tuesdays. https://bouldercolorado.gov/newsroom/city-temporarily-shifts-homeless-services-location-to-reduce-covid-19-social-spread

Denver: A new women's auxiliary shelter at the Denver Coliseum opened on 4/20 and will serve up to 300 women and transgender individuals. All guests will be screened for symptoms at entry.

♦ Connecticut

Housing Resources: State of CT is seeking contractors to provide short-term housing (including hotels) and has issued a request to property owners to identify vacant units. It is coordinating housing resources through CT Housing Finance Authority to reduce density at homeless shelters: https://www.chfa.org/covid19-updates/ . The CT Coalition to End Homelessness released a COVID-19 & Homelessness Resource Guide as of 4/27 which includes links to State Department of Housing Guidance and other resources: https://cceh.org/covid19/

New London: opened a vacant former nursing home for homeless COVID patients https://www.theday.com/article/20200331/NWS01/200339914

Related Executive Orders:
Connecticut – Executive Order No. 7I Municipal Operations and Availability of Assistance and Healthcare

♦ Delaware

Housing Resources: Homeless individuals are otherwise not subject to shelter in place orders. The Commissioner of Public Health, Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, and Commissioners of Emergency Services and Public Protection and Housing are authorized to take steps to provide or arrange non-congregant housing with sufficient physical distancing capacity and is seeking contractors to provide short-term housing (including hotels). See: *Guidance for Hotels Providing Isolation and Quarantine Housing* for info & DE Dept. of Emergency Management contacts and visit the DE Sate Housing Authority website: destatehousing.com.

Related Executive Orders:
Delaware – Fifth Modification of the Declaration of a State of Emergency (Stay-at-Home Order)

♦ Florida

Housing Resources: State Homelessness Continuum of Care local lead agencies are listed at the link: https://www.myflfamilies.com/service-programs/homelessness/local-providers.shtml The Florida Coalition for the Homeless also provide information and resources: http://fchonline.org/

Tampa/Hillsborough County - The City has partnered with Catholic Charities and other community agencies to establish an emergency shelter. Hillsborough Hope is an emergency shelter that will house 100 homeless individuals. The shelter will provide housing using tents, three meals a day, showers, laundry, case management, and medical care. For more information, visit tampagov.net/COVID-19 and text TAMPAREADY or TAMPALISTA to 888-777 to receive emergency text alerts. Those in need of social service can also visit: tampagov.net/emergency-management/covid-19/social-services or call the Tampa's Recovery Hotline at 1-833-TPA-INFO.

Related Executive Orders:
Executive Order 20-83 Protective Measures for Vulnerable Populations, Gatherings of Private Citizens and Density of the Workforce

♦ **Georgia**

Housing Resources: The state webpage on the Georgia Homelessness & Housing Continuum of Care lists contact information for the 8 regional points of contact and a toll free number for other areas of the state that are not served one of the 8 listed: https://www.dca.ga.gov/safe-affordable-housing/homeless-special-needs-housing/i-am-homeless-need-help

Atlanta has added a COVID-19 resource page to their main website: atlantahousing.org/covid19, where residents, partners and property owners can find the most up-to-date information on operations while the stay-at-home order is in effect, including an FAQ and a resource guide listing services being provided by the city and its partners.

♦ **Hawaii**

Housing Resources: The state provides a link to learn more about how the State of Hawai'i Homeless Initiative is providing support to Homeless Service Providers.

Behavioral Health and Homelessness State Unified Response Group: The Hawaii Department of Health's Behavioral Health Administration (DOH/BHA) in partnership with the Governor's Coordinator on Homelessness and the Department of Human Services' Homeless Programs Office (DHS/HPO) has prioritized the control of the spread of coronavirus disease (COVID-19) in Hawaii among behavioral health and homeless populations while ensuring continuity of coverage of essential services including behavioral health and homelessness services: https://health.hawaii.gov/bhhsurg/

♦ **Idaho**

Housing Resources: The Idaho State Homelessness & Housing Continuum of Care posted a 3/27 presentation with information on resources and points of contact including: Idaho Housing Finance: https://www.idahohousing.com/covid-19/ Idaho Public Health Districts and local contacts: https://healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/Health/HealthDistricts/tabid/97/Default.aspx

The Interfaith Sanctuary in Boise has posted information on the shelter services they are putting into place in response to the pandemic: https://interfaithsanctuary.org/

♦ **Iowa**

Housing Resources: A statewide listing of emergency shelter resources is available at the link: https://www.iowafinance.com/homelessness/   The Polk County Health Department announced a plan to use a portion of the Iowa State Fairgrounds as a shelter for people experiencing homelessness and testing positive for COVID-19. Goodwill of Central Iowa is partnering with Central Iowa Shelter & Services (CISS) to implement an emergency plan for members in the homeless community at a higher risk due to their age or underlying health condition. Check local shelters for announcements of closings.

♦ **Illinois**

Housing Resources: Illinois DHHS, Homelessness Services & Supportive Housing webpage list resources and alerts: http://www.dhs.state.il.us/page.aspx?item=33132

Chicago- the YMCA of Metro Chicago which will create approximately 400 additional shelter beds and enable current shelters to space individuals at least six feet apart. DFSS has also accelerated its Homeless Outreach Program (HOP) team: increasing visits to encampments to provide resources, working to identify residents at higher risk for COVID-19 and helping with shelter placement. The City is also providing 200 rooms for individuals impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, expanding its existing capacity for quarantine and isolation, and is free up 1,000 rooms at multiple hotel locations. https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/mayor/press_room/press_releases/2020/march/HotelOperator Partnership.html . For more information and updates on COVID-19, text COVID19 to 78015, email coronavirus@chicago.gov or visit Chicago.gov/coronavirus. Residents can also call 311 to request shelter. Six Community Service Centers are open for individuals and families in need of access to rental, utility and other financial assistance programs from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Mon-Fri. https://www.chicago.gov/city/en/depts/fss/provdrs/serv/alerts/2020/march/dfss-response-to-covid-19.html

Evansville: The City and the Catholic Diocese have made an agreement to use the Sarto Retreat House as a voluntary self-isolation center for people experiencing homelessness. The facility, named Evansville Independent Self-Isolation Center, provides a safe, secure place for those experiencing homelessness for up to 55 individuals. https://www.evansvillegov.org/egov/apps/document/center.egov?view=item;id=6129

Related Executive Orders:
Gov. Pritzker Announces Measures to Continue Supporting Families, People Experiencing Homelessness and Child Care Providers

♦ **Indiana**

Housing Resources: A listing of Homeless Shelter Listings & Supportive Housing in Indiana is available at the link: https://www.shelterlistings.org/state/indiana.html Indianapolis: The Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department (IMPD) Homeless Unit also continues to serve those experiencing homelessness. For those homeless neighbors who may contract the virus, local agencies are collaborating with the State-led effort to isolate and safely quarantine non-critical COVID-19 medical referrals. A resource guide, which can be viewed at www.indy.gov/covid Individuals who are unable to navigate the city's website can call 317-327-4MAC between 8-5. https://citybase-cms-prod.s3.amazonaws.com/53515131e2654dc4bd4a1cf20b86e1e9.pdf

♦ **Kansas**

Housing Resources: There is almost no information on emergency housing or shelters in Kansas. A listing of shelters in the state is available at the link: https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/kansas.html Shelters across the region are short on beds and space, let alone individual rooms to quarantine people with symptoms. Information on conditions that require closures of congregate facilities is posted; therefore it is important to check when making a referral to make sure agencies are open.

Johnson County's only homeless shelter for single adults was set to close, but the Lenexa City Council voted to allow it to remain open for the duration of stay at home orders. The shelter is run out of Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church, a former elementary school at 9400 Pflumm Road.

Wichita/Sedgewick County homeless resource center is run by the Open Door (United Methodist Church & Partners) Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. at 402 E. 2nd Street, Wichita, KS 67202. Phone: 316-265-9371

♦ **Kentucky**

Housing Resources: A listing of Homeless Shelter Listings & Supportive Housing in Kentucky is available at the link: https://www.shelterlistings.org/state/kentucky.html Also, the link takes you to a listing of COVID-19 crisis lines by county, which are more applicable to mental health crises but may helpful to clients experiencing related emergencies : http://dbhdid.ky.gov/crisisnos.aspx

Louisville Metro Council has approved a $2.7 million fund to be used to address coronavirus by supporting organizations dealing with homelessness and hunger.

♦ **Louisiana**

Housing Resources – Link to Louisiana state services for the homeless: https://www.homelessassistance.us/state/louisiana. A listing of homeless shelter listings & supportive housing resources in LA is available at the link: https://www.shelterlistings.org/state/louisiana.html

New Orleans: https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/city-e2-80-99s-street-homeless-being-moved-into-hotel/ar-BB11Iag5 The city has secured a limited amount of hotel rooms and is in the process of trying to secure additional rooms to help house the homeless population. The effort is a partnership with UNITY, a local non-profit, which is moving forward after FEMA advised the cost of moving the homeless out of areas where they congregate is covered by federal disaster aid.

♦ **Maine**

Housing Resources: Maine Hope for the Homeless is providing information on shelter closings and additional emergency services. MaineHousing (state housing services) is accepting and reviewing proposals to Provide Hotel/Motel Room Blocks & hotel/motel rooms to assist individuals who have tested positive for the COVID-19 virus, are waiting for test results, or have been exposed to the virus and therefore must isolate themselves. Proposals will be accepted beginning 4/11, until need is met. Maine 211 provides information on emergency housing, and information is available at the link: https://www.maine.gov/covid19/maine-helps

♦ Maryland

Housing Resources: Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development list resources online: https://dhcd.maryland.gov/HomelessServices/Pages/default.aspx The Maryland Homelessness Prevention Program advises individuals in need to contact their local department of social services office. A listing of DSS offices by county is available at the link: http://dhs.maryland.gov/local-offices/

Baltimore-Mayor Young has release a COVID-19 Emergency Response Plan for People Experiencing Homelessness https://mayor.baltimorecity.gov/news/press-releases/2020-03-25-mayor-young-releases-covid-19-emergency-response-plan-people

♦ Massachusetts

Housing Resources: Find resources and information on emergency housing from the Office of the MA Attorney General: https://www.mass.gov/help-for-homeless-people

Boston-Subsidized housing to be created for 1,000 Boston Public Schools families at risk of displacement, *April 17, 2020:* https://www.boston.gov/news/subsidized-housing-be-created-1000-boston-public-schools-families-risk-displacement

Springfield: The city will establish three tents for individuals who are homeless to access across from the Friends of the Homeless Center on Worthington St to help address the medical needs of the homeless population that might be affected by the COVID-19 / Coronavirus. One tent is reserved for Testing, one for those with Symptoms to isolate, and the third for those in Quarantine. https://www.springfield-ma.gov/cos/index.php?id=news-story&tx_news_pi1[news]=14246&tx_news_pi1[controller]=News&tx_news_pi1[action]=detail&cHash=3869732412227f8eada95a2b93e48966

♦ Michigan

Housing Resources: Michigan COVID-19 Housing FAQs resources included information on homelessness services and is available at the link: https://www.michigan.gov/coronavirus/0,9753,7-406-98810---,00.html?page=1&limit=25&filterCategories=,99021&searchQuery=   Also, for information on other housing assistance programs see: Housing Counseling Agencies COVID-19 Response

♦ Mississippi

Housing Resources: Contact information for MS three regional Homelessness & Housing Continuum of Care agencies is available at the link: https://www.hud.gov/states/mississippi/homeless/servicegroups

Mississippi Coronavirus Hotline (7 days a week, 7 a.m.–11 p.m.): **877-978-6453**

♦ Minnesota

Housing Resources: MN Housing COVID-19 Housing Resource Guide lists information for homeless service providers including available funding and sample contracts for leasing hotel rooms to shelter the homeless: https://t.e2ma.net/webview/bpj94b/b07b48bde91b465174bf584f1507fe9c
The MN Department of Health is maintaining an up to date list of list of all shelter and drop-in programs operating within each jurisdictions.

MN Family Homeless Prevention Resources: https://t.e2ma.net/message/v8zy5b/75td7g
Rochester: A temporary Day Center officially opened Monday morning, from 8AM-8PM, in the Mayo Civic Center Exhibition Hall. The center will be open every day.   During the open hours, individuals or families experiencing homelessness will have access to the space and also food, water, and bathrooms. https://www.rochestermn.gov/home/showdocument?id=27162

♦ Montana

Housing Resources: The MT Homelessness Continuum of Care website has a listing of contact information for Local CoC Coordinators. MT Housing has information on the emergency housing assistance program created by executive order that will provide emergency rent and security deposit assistance as-needed for eligible Montanan families with minor children, subject to available funding. https://housing.mt.gov/Rental-Housing/CovidHousingAssist

A listing of homeless shelters in MT is available at the link, but it is important to contact them before referring anyone as some have closed and others may have ramped up available sheltyer services in light of the pandemic: https://www.hud.gov/states/montana/homeless/shelters

Related Executive Orders:
Directive implementing Executive Orders 2-2020 and 3-2020 and providing additional guidance related to evictions and establishing relief funds for affected renters, 4/13

♦ Missouri

Housing Resources: MO 211 online listings includes homeless shelters and services statewide: https://mo211.myresourcedirectory.com/index.php/housing . Information is also available by phone at 211. A comprehensive listing of statewide service by town is available online: https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/missouri.html

Information on shelters and homeless services in St. Louis is available online: https://www.stlouis-mo.gov/government/departments/human-services/homeless-services/Homeless-Resources.cfm
There is also a local homeless hotline (314) 802-5444.

In Kansas City Hope Faith Ministries and the Veterans Community Project are serving the homeless community, while maintaining social distancing guidelines recommended by health officials. City council has allocated funds for up to 30 rooms to be available to homeless residents with symptoms. There is also a local homeless hotline (816) 474-4599.

♦ Nebraska

Housing Resources: A listing of the regional agency contacts for the Homelessness & Housing Continuum of Care is available online along with the local service agencies in each region : https://www.hudexchange.info/grantees/find-a-grantee/?params=%7B'grantees':%5B%5D,'state':'NE','programs':%5B3,6%5D,'coc':true%7D##granteeSearch

On 4/17 Gov. Ricketts a pilot expansion of the Nebraska Accommodation Project (NAP) to provide space for individuals who are required to quarantine or isolate because of COVID-19.   The NAP program will be rolled out in Omaha and is a collaboration between the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the University of Nebraska and the Nebraska National Guard. Dormitories on the University of Nebraska Omaha UNO campus will be utilized for those who are interested and meet the criteria for accommodation. Applications can be completed at http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Coronavirus. As the need for this program grows across the State, so will the number of locations.

More information on guidelines in the form of a General Public FAQ will be available at http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx under the Nebraska Accommodation Project (NAP) header.

♦ New Hampshire

Housing Resources: Executive orders regarding housing and lodging restrict hotels and innkeepers to serving homeless individuals and families for whom hotels or other lodging accommodations and operations are being used as emergency shelters. In Manchester Families in Transition's New Horizons Shelter is opening a new facility to house 40 people in line with social distancing guidelines. The state has opened an emergency shelter in Strafford County to quarantine anyone from the homeless community who contracts the coronavirus. The state is providing a hotel rooms to at least 10 unsheltered people in their county of residence who have exhibited symptoms themselves and those who have come into close contact with someone who has.

New Jersey

Housing Resources: Link to State of New Jersey – COVID-19 FAQs re: *Services Available to Help the Homeless* https://covid19.nj.gov/faqs/nj-information/get-assistance/what-services-are-available-to-help-the-homeless NJ has centralized assistance for people experiencing homelessness through 2-1-1 community resource specialists, available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. The Social Service for the Homeless (SSH) program also helps anyone at imminent risk of becoming homeless, but are not eligible for welfare or eligible for Emergency Assistance. (usually because their income is too high). The program can provide emergency food & shelter, pay security or utility deposits or back rent, mortgage and utilities bills. Also available 24-hours, include limited case management and referrals.

FEMA approved NJ's request to fund emergency, non-congregate sheltering for individuals in need; therefore, state, county, and local entities can be reimbursed for costs of hotels or motels for certain vulnerable populations, including: homeless families who live in congregate shelters with at least one family member who has tested positive for COVID-19 and homeless individuals who require quarantine or isolation due to a positive test for COVID-19.

♦ **Nevada**

Housing Resources: The NV Department of Health & Human Services has a webpage for emergency housing and shelter: https://www.nevada211.org/shelter/ Also, calling 211 will connect to resources. NV Department of Veterans Services hosts the webpage for the NV Homeless Alliance, offers a Map of Emergency Community Resources and a List of Emergency Community Resources and a contact number for more information: 702-743-1487.
Washoe County (Sparks, Reno) - Has secured a contract with WellCare to house up to 43 people in 20 units. The contract includes three meals per day and support from a case manager and advanced practice registered nurse for individuals who need support to safely isolate. Also, contracting with ATCO trailers for 300 rooms located at Mill and Edison, with 35 to 40 more beds expected. The county has a webpage for COVID-19 emergency housing contacts: https://covid19washoe.com/covid-19-homeless-services/

Related Executive Orders:
Nevada – Declaration of Emergency Directive 008 – Foreclosures and Evictions

♦ **New Mexico**

Housing Resources: The Supportive Housing Coalition of NM will remain open during regular office hours of 8am-5pm Monday – Friday but with protocols instituted to protect staff and participants. People in need of housing resources or support, please call 505.255.3643 or email support@shcnm.org A listing of resources is available at the link: https://www.shcnm.org/resources/

Albuquerque- People with urgent needs may be able to get relief at one of four Health & Social Services Centers in Albuquerque. People should go to the 'mission critical service center' in their quadrant of the city: John Marshall, 1500 Walter SE, 848-1345; Alamosa, 6900 Gonzales SW, 836-8800; Los Griegos, 1231 Candelaria NW, 761-4050; and East Central, 7525 Zuni SE, 767-5700. The Thomas Bell Community Center, 3001 University SE, will house up to 50 men ages 62 and older; the Jack Candelaria Community Center, 400 San Jose SE, will house 20 women ages 62 and older. The West Side Emergency Housing Center has a system to quickly test people for COVID-19. https://www.abqjournal.com/1436691/city-providing-relief-at-four-public-centers.html

♦ **New York**

Housing Resources: State services are paused until 5/15. Contact your local health department   for COVID-19 concerns. A directory for local health departments is available online: https://www.nysacho.org/directory/

The Coalition for the Homeless webpage on the COVID-19 Response list a NYC Crisis Hotline has open for homeless individuals who need immediate help finding shelter or meeting other critical needs: 212-776-2177. Due to the public health crisis posed by COVID-19, Crisis Intervention walk-in services are temporarily closed. However, the webpage lists intake shelters which are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week including shelters for single adult men and women, adults without children, youth and families. NYC's Mayor announced that the city would move 1,000 people experiencing homelessness into double-occupancy hotel rooms each week going forward, in addition to the 2,500 who had already been given hotel rooms. However, concerns that the City will not be able to afford to meet the massive need that still exists are prompting officials to assess how much of the burden can be eased by FEMA funding.

♦ North Carolina

Housing Resources: The NC Coalition to end Homelessness COVID-19 Response webpage offers information and resources: https://www.ncceh.org/covid-19/ including local continua of care contacts: Continuums of Care North Carolina has received approval from FEMA to use hotels, motels and dormitories, for North Carolinians with no other safe place who need to quarantine or isolate in response to COVID-19 or are at high-risk for severe illness from COVID-19. Check with NC Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS) or call 211 for information.

♦ North Dakota

Housing Resources: ND Department of Human Services (DHHS) has worked with a joint task force to set up and emergency shelter program which is providing housing to individuals in at least two communities. DHHS is prepared to expand it to Bismarck, Devils Lake, Dickinson, Fargo, Grand Forks, Jamestown, Minot and Williston if needed. To access the temporary shelter program, individuals must be referred by a homeless shelter, domestic violence shelter, hospital, public health unit or other partner agency. Local human service zone offices (formerly known as county social service offices) will work directly with individuals or families referred to the program. Individuals cannot refer themselves. Link to listing of county social service offices: http://www.nd.gov/dhs/locations/countysocialserv/

♦ Ohio

Housing Resources: The Ohio Development Services website lists emergency housing and many other types of resources for the homeless: https://development.ohio.gov/cs/cs_hshp.htm

The Ohio Housing Finance Agency announce $5 million in funding to prevent homelessness during the pandemic: https://ohiohome.org/news/releases/2020/covid-19.aspx

The Coalition on Homelessness and Housing in Ohio has an online COVID-19 Resource Guide and has created a Pandemic Emergency Fund with $500,000 from their own reserves to help local homeless agencies get what they need to provide immediate stopgap assistance to help shelters stop the spread of COVID-19.: https://cohhio.org/covid-19/

Columbus - https://www.columbus.gov/Templates/Detail.aspx?id=2147514747 Columbus and Partners Announced New Shelter For Homeless Population COVID-19 on 3/31. The City of Columbus, Community Shelter Board and YMCA of Central Ohio announced the opening of a new shelter for homeless residents who have either tested positive for COVID-19 or have been determined by a medical professional to be showing symptoms of COVID-19. Check with above agencies for resources.

Related Executive Orders:
Executive Order 2020-06D The Emergency Adoption of Rule 4729-5-30.2 of the Ohio Administrative Code by the State of Ohio Board of Pharmacy
Health Director's Order for Non-Congregate Sheltering to be Utilized Throughout Ohio

♦ **Oklahoma**

Housing Resources: A listing of shelter resources in OK is available at the link:
http://www.navigateresources.net/tulh/MatchList.aspx?k;;0;;N;0;59184;Homeless%20Shelter;shelter;All;109263 People who are homeless can also call 2-1-1 to speak to a service specialist or visit the *Heartline 2-1-1* website to find community resources: http://www.navigateresources.net/hlok/

The Homeless Alliance of OK City is leading a coalition to organize Alternate Care Homeless Shelters to prevent the community spread of COVID-19 among the vulnerable population of people experiencing homelessness in Oklahoma City. The Coalition is working through the logistics to open 190 shelter beds to allow for distancing, screening and isolation. https://homelessalliance.org/

Related Executive Orders
Executive Order 2020-06 All State Agencies to Take Necessary Steps to Protect Vulnerable Populations
Oklahoma – Amended Executive Order 2020-07 (State of Emergency Declaration)

♦ **Oregon**

Housing Resources: The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) serves as the lead agency for the public health response. The OHA website lists Community Resources for Specific Groups including Housing Services & Homeless Camps: https://govstatus.egov.com/OR-OHA-COVID-19 . Specific resources include Guidance for Non-Congregate Sheltering in Hotels or Motels, 4/9; Recommendations for Homeless Camps, 3/11

211info provides assessment services for homeless families in Multnomah County, in partnership with the Joint Office on Homeless Services. To be placed on the waitlist or to find shelters in specific areas: CALL 211 or 1-866-698-6155 or TEXT the zip code to 898211 (TXT211) or EMAIL help@211info.org
To find shelter information using the online database or mobile app, use a category or keyword search.

Related Executive Orders:
Oregon – Executive Order 20-13 Temporary Moratorium on Certain Evictions and Terminations of Rental Agreements
Oregon – Executive Order 20-11 Temporary Moratorium on Residential Evictions for Nonpayment, in Response to Coronavirus

♦ **Pennsylvania**

Housing Resources: The PA Department of Human Services, Homeless Assistance webpage has information on statewide resources: https://www.dhs.pa.gov/Services/Other-Services/Pages/Homeless-Assistance.aspx
Philadelphia - The City of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Foundation, and United Way of Greater Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey announced the creation of the PHL COVID-19 Fund. This fund will aid nonprofits that are directly addressing the virus. For more information check the PHIL COVID-19 website: https://www.phlcovid19fund.org/covid-19/
Pittsburg: The follow links offer updates on housing resources:
BigBurgh Mobile App to Help Neighbors Without Homes
Allegheny County Department of Human Services; Allegheny County Link 1-866-730-2365
HCEF's Homeless Education Network Resources for Unstably Housed Youth

♦ **South Carolina**

Housing Resources: United Housing Connections (UHC) is the lead agency for the SC Housing & Homelessness Continuum of Care serving 13 counties. Local contacts and their affiliated agencies in each of the counties are available at the link: https://www.upstatecoc.org/clients The UHC office will be open during the COVID-19 pandemic; however, they are limiting face to face contact and ask that clients and tenants call ahead for an appointment before visiting the office: 864.241.0462.
SC Help for the Homeless offers a comprehensive online listing of homeless shelters and related service agencies by county: https://www.sciway.net/org/sc-homeless.html

♦ **South Dakota**

Housing Resources: For a listing of shelter resources by region see: 2019 SD Homeless Housing Resources by Regions and Project South Dakota Housing Development Authority (SDHDA) is seeking applicants for the Emergency Solutions Grants Program. Funds can be used for street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and costs associated with the Homeless Management Information system. A listing of SC services for the homeless statewide is available at the link: https://www.hud.gov/states/south_dakota/homeless

♦ **Tennessee**

Housing Resources: TN Housing & Homelessness Services information: https://www.tn.gov/behavioral-health/housing.html TNHousingSearch.org has a searchable database of housing resources, rentals, and shelters. An up to date online listing of services for the homeless statewide is available from United Way 2-1-1.   The TN Coalition for the Homeless offers information, resources and contacts for emergency shelter service in Harris, Fort Bend & Montgomery Counties: https://www.homelesshouston.org/covid-19

Chattanooga - The health department is evaluating the Salvation Army as a possible quarantine site for confirmed COVID-19 cases. Rented hotel rooms to allow people to self-isolate or quarantine could may be an option in Chattanooga. Contact: kwells@chatanooga.gov https://www.timesfreepress.com/news/local/story/2020/mar/22/officials-plcoronavirus-response-among-citys/518827/

♦ **Texas**

Housing Resources: Texas Health & Human Service webpage, Programs for People who are Homeless or at Risk of Becoming Homeless lists contacts housing and resources: https://hhs.texas.gov/services/mental-health-substance-use/mental-health-crisis-services/programs-people-who-are-homeless-or-risk-becoming-homeless

Also, the page instructs Texans to dial 2-1-1 (option 6) for information on COVID-19 and local community resources on health care, utilities, food, housing and more. For housing for people with mental illness: Call your local mental health authority or local behavioral health authority (link for local contacts)

A statewide listing of shelters, hotlines and other services for the homeless is available at https://www.hud.gov/states/texas/homeless

♦ **Utah**

Housing Resources: Statewide shelter resources are listed on: [State of Utah's Coronavirus (COVID-19) information site](#)
- [Community Resources](#)
- [Homeless Management Information System (HMIS) News & Announcements](#)

On 4/13, Salt Lake County officials announced that in light of the recent closing of many of the city's homeless shelters they are leasing an entire hotel to house 130 homeless asymptomatic clients who are either over the age of 60 or have underlying health issues. On-site staff, case managers and security will be at the hotel, along with behavioral health support. Three meals a day, provided by Catholic Community Services and Salt Lake County's Meals on Wheels program. Those seeking shelter can still find services at Catholic Community Services' Weigand Center, 437 W. 200 South, or call 801-990-9999 for emergency shelter options.

♦ **Vermont**

Housing Resources: The VT Department for Children & Families released information on extended housing support for high-risk groups: https://dcf.vermont.gov/dcf-blog/covid19-housing-supports. The VT Department for Children and Families has already moved 40 people into hotel rooms and is identifying other interim housing resources such as unoccupied college dorms.

Executive orders urge local governments, state agencies and private non-profit organizations to respond to urgent housing needs: " *To the extent not already in place, arrange for placement of current clients and vulnerable populations in alternative non-congregate housing solutions for the purpose of providing adequate social distancing as needed.*"

♦**Virginia**

Housing Resources: On 4/3, Gov. Northam announced an initial $2.5 million in emergency funding to provide temporary housing people experiencing homelessness and housing for individuals in shelters that may need to be quarantined, or where social distancing is not feasible.

Funding will be used for hotel and motel vouchers, case management, food, cleaning supplies, and medical transportation. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will provide partial funding to support individuals experiencing homelessness who are 65 and older, those with other pre-existing conditions, and those who have tested positive for COVID-19. A directory of local crisis hotlines for people in need of emergency shelter in available at the link:
https://www.dhcd.virginia.gov/sites/default/files/Docx/vhsp/crisis-assistance-directory.pdf

Richmond**: -** New funding will go to Homeward, which is part of the Greater Richmond Continuum of Care, to provide shelter and services to those experiencing homelessness during the current pandemic. Contacts: Homeward and the Greater Richmond Continuum of Care: Homeless Crisis Line, 1-804-972-0813 or Family Crisis Fund (OCWB): Call *804-646-6464* or visit https://www.rvastrong.org/i-need-income-support

♦ **Washington**

Housing Resources: Regional homeless service are listed online. The state has authorized additional funding to support rapid response efforts to house the homeless during the COVID-19 emergency. Local efforts include opening hotel rooms and rapid conversions of existing sites to increase shelter capacities. Washington Low-income Housing Alliance lists resources: https://www.wliha.org/covid-19-resources

Seattle/King County: King County has identified five sites for individuals determined to need isolation or quarantine. Some sites have enhanced health & behavioral health services.
* Kent motel, 1233 Central Avenue North, Kent (79 spaces) Open
* North Seattle modular, 1132 N. 128th Street, Seattle (23 spaces) Open
* Harborview Hall, 326 Ninth Avenue, Seattle (45 spaces)
* White Center modular, 206 SW 112th St., Seattle (31 spaces) Open early April
* Issaquah motel 1801 12th Avenue NW, Issaquah (99 spaces) Open early April
King County is opening a temporary enhanced shelter for people requiring sobering services at the Recovery Café in SODO, which creates 45 beds for people who need health monitoring for inebriation. https://www.seattleweekly.com/news/king-county-and-seattle-expand-covid-19-emergency-shelter-and-housing-response/

Olympia: is converting a vacant building on Martin Way into an emergency homeless shelter for the duration of the new coronavirus outbreak, officials say. Thurston County plans to contract with local nonprofit Interfaith Works to run the temporary shelter. The Low Income Housing Institute will develop and manage 65 units of supportive housing and Interfaith Works will operate a 60-bed shelter there.

♦ **West Virginia**

Housing Resources: Regional Homeless Service Coalition contacts are listed online. WV 211 is set up to provide information on public and NGO emergency services. People can also text their zip code to 898-211 to receive information by text message. WV Health & Human Services links to a shelter directory by city: https://www.homelessshelterdirectory.org/westvirginia.html

♦ **Wisconsin**

Housing Resources: Regional Homeless Service Coalition contacts are listed online. The homelessness services portal for the WI Department of Children & Families has information on statewide resources: https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/homeless . Madison- The City and County have placed at least 225 people into local hotels, removing them from the shelter system. Staff are working to find hotel placement for 60 more people. The Warner Park Community Center will provide overnight shelter for homeless men and expanded space for more. Downtown shelters at Grace Episcopal, St. John's Lutheran, and First United Methodist will close.

Brown County: St. John's Homeless Shelter & New Community Shelter in Green Bay
Dane County: The Tenant Resource Center has updates on local closings of homelessness programs
Eau Claire County: Information available through the Feed My People's Resource Directory.
Manitowoc County: the Hope House & The Haven (men-only shelter)
Washington County: Find services through Family Promise in West Bend.
La Crosse County: A new emergency shelter is opening, and all people seeking shelter will have to go to one central location to get a health screening. Find more information in this press release.

♦ **Washington DC**

Housing Resources: Families seeking emergency shelter during the pandemic should call the DC Shelter Hotline at: 202-399-7093 or 311, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Quick Reference to DHS Modified Services During the COVID-19 Emergency is a 2-page guide with contact numbers and information on emergency shelters, transportation to shelter, meals and other available supports.

Related Executive Orders:
Mayor's Order 2020-063 Extensions of Public Emergency and Public Health Emergency and Measures to Protect Vulnerable Populations During the COVID-19 Health Emergency