

# Employ Prince George's

# Housing Resource Guide



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Employ Prince George's recognizes that there are many elements to obtaining and maintaining gainful employment. We seek to assist the Prince George's County community in efforts to mitigate the barriers of homelessness or lack of stable housing for job seekers. The Employ Prince George's Housing Resource Guide is an extensive guide with various resources for emergency and long-term housing for Prince George's County residents in need.

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# **Emergency Housing Resources**

**A. Emergency Housing Programs:** The following partners direct residents to available housing assistance programs.

#### **Community Crisis Services Inc.**

4316 Farragut St., Hyattsville, MD 20781 888-731-0999 (24-hour Homeless Hotline) communitycrisis.org

#### **Prince George's County Department of Social Services**

805 Brightseat Road, Landover, MD 20785
301-909-6362 phone / 301-909-6331 fax
<a href="mailto:princegeorgescountymd.gov/1684/Housing-Homeless-Services">princegeorgescountymd.gov/1672/Emergency-Shelter</a>

#### **Latin American Youth Center**

6200 Sheridan St., Riverdale, MD 20737 240-768-7801 layc-dc.org/

#### **Bridge Center at Adams House**

5001 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD 20746 301-817-1900 princegeorgescountymd.gov/2889/The-Bridge-Center-at-Adams-House

#### **Homeless Hotline**

You can call the Homeless Hotline toll free in the State of Maryland at 888-731-0999, or at 301-864-7095. The Hotline provides emergency answering and referral for the homeless 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Individuals and families in need must call the Homeless Hotline directly. Please be aware there is no waiting list, and referrals are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

#### **United Communities Against Poverty (UCAP)**

1400 Doewood Lane, Capitol Heights, MD 20743 301-322-5700 / 301-322-3381 fax ucappgc.org/

**B. Emergency Housing:** The following resources are entities that provide housing and offer beds to residents in need. More information about the shelters listed below may be found at <a href="mailto:shelterlistings.org/county/md-prince\_georges-county.html">shelterlistings.org/county/md-prince\_georges-county.html</a>

### Community Ministry of Prince George's County — Warm Nights Shelter Seat Pleasant

Seat Pleasant, MD 20743 301-499-2319 Transitional housing

#### **Transition Center at Prince George's House Capitol Heights**

Capitol Heights, MD 20743 301-808-5317 Transitional housing

#### St. Ann's Infant & Maternity Home Hyattsville

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500 Transitional housing

#### **Shepherd's Cove Capitol Heights**

Capitol Heights, MD 20743 301-322-3093 Transitional housing

### Cathedral Addiction Transitional Care Housing Inc Catch Ft Washington

Fort Washington, MD 20744 Transitional housing, nonprofit organization

#### **Family Emergency Shelter**

Adelphi, MD 20783 301-431-4570

### Family Crisis Center — Safe Passage Program Emergency Shelter (for Women and Children)

Brentwood, MD 20722 301-779-2100

#### United Communities Against Poverty - Shepherd's Cove (for Women)

Capitol Heights, MD 20731 301-322-5700

### St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home — Residential Children's Program (for Ages 12 And Under)

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500

### St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home — Teen Mother-Baby Program (for ages 15 To 19)

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500

## St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home — Faith House (for ages 18 To 25)

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500

#### Reality

Laurel, MD 20707 301-953-7207

#### Volunteers Of America (Chesapeake) — Shelter Plus Care Program

Lanham, MD 20706 301-459-2020

# Behavioral Health, Substance Abuse & Suicide Prevention Housing

### A. Volunteers of America Chesapeake Inc. Behavioral Health Services

This program has established psychiatric and residential rehabilitation programs (RRP) to provide direct services to persons suffering from a mental illness(es), to provide them with a home-like living environment and to assist them towards becoming progressively more independent both at home and within the community. To this end, VOAC seeks to ensure the safety and security of the clients, to teach them independent living skills, to promote their integration into the community, to provide assistance in emergencies and to operate the program within VOAC policies and procedures and local, state, and federal regulations.

The objectives of the program are:

- Reduce the return rate of community placements to a state hospital setting.
- Reduce community psychiatric hospitalizations.
- Increase community integration by expanding recreational and social activities, and educational and employment opportunities.

Prince George's Behavioral Health (PGBH) provides community-based residential rehabilitation services to individuals who are chronically mentally ill, as well as a psychogeriatric program that provides mental

#### **Suicide & Crisis Lifeline**

Call 988 for the national 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline or 211 for the Prince George's County hotline.

If you or a loved one are experiencing thoughts of suicide or a mental health crisis, **dial 2-1-1 and press 1 for assistance**. Mental health specialists are available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to provide immediate assistance and referrals for long-term support. Learn more about 2-1-1 and access helpful online resources.

health services for individuals who also suffer from significant somatic illness(es). PGBH services individuals from state hospitals, i.e., Spring Grove Hospital Center, Springfield Hospital Center, Clifton T. Perkins Hospital Center, local hospital providers and members of the community. All referrals must be linked to Prince George's County and be referred via the Prince George's County Core Service Agency.

RRP services are provided in a flexible manner designed to meet the changing needs of every client. These services are designed to further promote the client's ability to engage and participate in community-based activities. In addition to community integration training, clients will learn and strengthen daily living skills in a supportive environment staffed by mental health professionals. Program staff will be qualified to identify and address, with client involvement, rehabilitation needs. As in the Psychiatric Rehabilitation Program, RRP will offer continuous goal-directed training, geared towards rehabilitation, integration into the community, and independent living.

#### **Prince George's Behavioral Health**

4611 Assembly Drive, Suite D, Lanham, MD 20706 240-696-4319 / 301-560-8975 fax Hours: 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

#### **B. Assistance in Community Integration Services (ACIS)**

ACIS is an initiative of the State of Maryland's Medicaid 1115 Health Choice Waiver. The Prince George's County ACIS Program serves highrisk, high-utilizing Medicaid enrollees who are at risk of institutional placement or homelessness.

ACIS is focused on addressing the needs of the county's familiar faces who cycle in and out of multiple systems with chronic health conditions, mental illness, addictions and a history of incarceration and/ or homelessness. Working with our community partners, ACIS serves individuals who are Medicaid-eligible with the goal of providing low- or no-barrier stable housing and well-integrated medical care with wraparound services.

#### **Housing Criteria:**

- Individuals who will experience homelessness upon release from the settings defined in 24 CFR 578.3 (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, substance abuse facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution)
- Those homeless and at imminent risk of institutionalization.

To refer yourself or another person into the program, please call **301-883-3413** to **request a <u>referral form</u>** and a <u>release of information</u> form.

For more information about ACIS or to become a participating entity or community partner, please call 301-883-7802.

#### C. Rock Creek Road Church Single Room Occupancy

624 Rock Creek Church Road NW, Washington, DC 20010 202-319-2121

catholiccharitiesdc.org/rock-creek-church-sro/



# Low-income, Affordable Income and Long-term Supportive Housing Resources

#### A. Prince George's County Department of Social Services

The Prince George's County Department of Social Services provides information, assistance and referrals to county residents who are facing homelessness or an eviction. This program provides:

- Screening of applicants to determine eligibility
- Interviewing and assessment
- Counseling, information and referral
- Landlord and tenant mediation
- Follow-up and linkages to other available resources
- On-going community outreach and training through the Community Outreach Program (COP)

### **Department of Social Services Homelessness Prevention Program** 301-909-6362

#### **Assistance Organizations and Housing Authorities**

The Housing Authority of Prince George's County, Maryland (HAPGC) was established in 1969 to provide Prince George's County residents with low to moderate incomes with safe, decent and affordable housing. The HAPGC receives federal funds directly from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to administer the Housing Choice Voucher program (HCV) and Public Housing Programs.

Most of the affordable housing assistance is in the form of rental units that must meet rigorous housing quality standards. The HAPGC also provides its participant families with programs that encourage them to become self-sufficient, which may potentially lead to home ownership opportunities. The Housing Assistance Division (HAD) and Rental Assistance Division (RAD) administer and implement the federal rental assistance and public housing programs for the county.

#### **Section 8: The Housing Choice Voucher Program (HCVP)**

The Housing Choice Voucher Program, also referred to as "Section 8," is a "tenant-based" voucher program that provides tenants the opportunity to live where they choose. The Rental Assistance Division (RAD) pays the owner the difference between 30% of adjusted family income and a PHA-determined payment standard or the gross rent for the unit, whichever is lower. The family may choose a unit with a higher rent than the payment standard and pay the owner the difference not to exceed 40% of adjusted family income. All rents are subject to a comparability study of similar unassisted properties in the immediate area

You may be eligible to receive financial help to pay your rent or mortgage if you are faced with a crisis that may result in an eviction, foreclosure or homelessness.

#### **Prince George's County Housing Authority**

9200 Basil Court, Suite 107, Largo, MD 20774 301-883-5501 princegeorgescountymd.gov

You can also get help by calling the following organizations:

#### **Catholic Charities, Forestville**

301-568-9529

#### **Community Ministries, Seat Pleasant**

301-499-2319

#### **Glenarden Housing Authority**

Glenarden, MD 20706 301-772-0880 Housing authority, low-income affordable housing, public housing

#### **College Park Housing Authority Md**

College Park, MD 20740 301-345-3600 Housing authority, low-income affordable housing, public housing

#### **United Communities Against Poverty Capitol Heights**

Capitol Heights, MD 20731 301-322-5700

Agency that provides HUD-approved housing assistance programs

#### Homefree — U S A Hyattsville

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-891-8400

Agency that provides HUD-approved housing assistance programs

#### The Greater Washington Urban League Hyattsville

Hyattsville, MD 20781 301-985-3519

Agency that provides HUD-approved housing assistance programs

#### Centro De Apoyo Familiar (caf) Riverdale

Riverdale, MD 20737 301-328-3292

Agency that provides HUD-approved housing assistance programs

#### Seed - Sowing Empowerment and Economic Development Riverdale

Riverdale, MD 20737

301-458-9808-13

Agency that provides HUD-approved housing assistance programs

## Volunteers Of America (Chesapeake — Prince George's Mental Health Services (for the mentally ill)

Lanham, MD 20706 301-276-1550

**To apply for eviction or foreclosure assistance:** When you call the numbers listed above, a staff member will advise you about the program and what information they need. They will also do a preliminary screening to see if you may be eligible to apply for financial assistance.

There are some questions you'll need to answer:

- Are you a Prince George's County resident?
- Why are you facing eviction or foreclosure?
- Do you hold the lease on the apartment or deed on the house?
- What is the total income of your household?
- What are your monthly expenses?

- Do you have sufficient income to cover monthly expenses after we help you?
- Was the crisis due to circumstances beyond your control?
- Are you willing to participate in counseling or other relevant activities that will prevent this crisis from happening again?

**Required documents:** The information you supply will be kept confidential. You'll be asked for documents such as:

- Wage/pay stubs
- Property records or deeds
- Your current lease
- Delinquent rent or mortgage bill
- Birth certificates and social security numbers for you and members of your family
- The name and address of the landlord or mortgage company
- Other documentation which may support your claim for assistance.

#### Eligibility for Prince George's County residents:

- In danger of eviction
- Homeowners facing foreclosure
- Homeless persons who need security deposits or first month's rent to move into permanent housing.

#### **B. United Communities Against Poverty Inc. (UCAP)**

UCAP has four Housing Services programs:

- Foreclosure Prevention: Provides homeowners with alternatives to help prevent foreclosure. Helps borrowers understand the importance of paying mortgages on time. Offers counseling in one-on-one sessions and group counseling.
- Financial Literacy & Credit Counseling: Provides group and one-on-one counseling on making the most of your financial resources, how credit works, etc.
- Rent Assistance and Eviction Protection: Provides rental assistance.
- Stabilization-The Homeless Solution Program (HSP): HSP is a 12- to 24-month supportive case management program for homeless families. It provides participants with ALL services from the abovementioned programs, as well as childcare, transportation, mental or medical assistance, monetary stipend, entertainment and recreational activities, etc.

#### Eligibility requirements are:

- 18 years of age or older
- Single or married
- Prince George's County residents
- Must be serious about stabilization and self-sufficiency
- Must be able to maintain the current housing situation
- Renters who have secured permanent housing on their own or with assistance from their case manager
- Must be willing to participate in FSP activities, attend three (3)
   Financial Literacy Workshops, bi-weekly home visits and attend required meetings and training

To apply, contact Renee Carroll, Director of Housing Counseling, 301-322-5700 EXT. 120

#### C. Housing Initiative Partnership (HIP)

The cornerstone of HIP's revitalization efforts is the **Homeowner Rehabilitation Assistance Program (HRAP)**. Through HRAP, HIP partners with the Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development and the Redevelopment Authority of Prince George's County to provide home improvement loans of up to \$60,000 to eligible homeowners who need to make critical code and safety repairs on their homes that they occupy full time.

For questions about eligibility and application requirements, please contact Chandrell Christopher, HIP's Community Development specialist at 301-240-388-9629

<u>Housing Rehabilitation Assistance Program (HRAP) - Housing Initiative Partnership, Inc. (hiphomes.org)</u>

#### D. Housing Options & Planning Enterprises, Inc. (H.O.P.E.)

H.O.P.E. is a non-profit, HUD Approved Housing Counseling Agency that helps people and families find and keep housing that meets their needs. Our high quality, dependable services are designed to foster self-sufficiency and foster neighborhood stabilization in Prince George's County and Southern Maryland. We also work to bridge the gap of awareness between Realtors, Non-Profits, and the Government to work collaboratively and support our communities.

Supporting sustainable homeownership and building financial capacity for families and communities

- Housing counseling services
- Foreclosure intervention
- Financial literacy education
- Home improvement grants and loans
- Support for acute financial emergencies

Safe, stable housing allows families to thrive. Homeownership builds stronger, safer, and healthier communities and gives families a greater sense of freedom, security, empowerment, and independence. Owning a home is also one of the keys to financial independence and security If you have a need for housing and credit counseling, please let us hear from you. You may call us at 301-567-3330 or you may contact us by email at <a href="https://hope@hopefinancial.org">hope@hopefinancial.org</a>

Housing Options & Planning Enterprises, Inc. (H.O.P.E.) 6188 Oxon Hill Road, Suite 700 Oxon Hill, MD 20745 301-567-3330 (Office)

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# Women and Children's Housing

#### A. United Communities Against Poverty Inc. (UCAP)

Shepherd's Cove Prince George's County Emergency Shelter and Crisis Hotline

1-888-731-0999

<u>ucappgc.org/shepherd-s-cove-emergency-shelter</u>

UCAP also has four Housing Services programs:

- Foreclosure Prevention: Provides homeowners with alternatives to help prevent foreclosure. Helps borrowers understand the importance of paying mortgages on time. Offers counseling in one-on-one sessions and group counseling.
- Financial Literacy & Credit Counseling: Provides group and one-on-one counseling on making the most of your financial resources, how credit works, etc.
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- Must be willing to participate in FSP activities, attend three (3)
   Financial Literacy Workshops, bi-weekly home visits and attend required meetings and training

### To apply, contact Renee Carroll, Director of Housing Counseling, 301-322-5700 EXT. 120

#### **B.** Harriett Tubman Women's Shelter

The Harriet Tubman Women's Shelter is a year-round, low-barrier shelter serving up to 175 women each night, 365 days a year. The shelter also operates Day Program services to clients served overnight. The shelter operates seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

#### Services:

- Residents accepted on a first-come, first-served basis and provided a bed (bunk) and sheets/blanket; lunch for Day Program participants provided by Catholic Charities' Enterprise Program
- Dinner provided by Henry's Soul Café.
- Showers and personal toiletries.
- Case management services, such as working with residents to develop housing and service plans and providing information, referrals, and linkages to substance abuse, mental health, medical, employment, and other social services.
- Day Program services are offered to shelter residents Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
- Work Bed Program for shelter residents is available to those working full and part time.

1910 Massachusetts Ave. SE Building #27 Washington, DC 20003 202-795-9966 catholiccharitiesdc.org/harriettubman/

**C. Bakhita Women's Shelter** is a low-barrier shelter for single adult women over the age of 18. The shelter provides each client with a cot or a bed to sleep in each night in addition to blankets and sheets. An evening meal is also available. Case management and social services are available upon request and include referrals to obtain food stamps, medical assistance, photo identification and more. Referrals are also available for clients dealing with substance abuse problems.

The Bakhita Women's Shelter is a low-barrier emergency shelter with a 20-bed capacity (25 during hypothermia season), and spaces are filled on a first-come, first-served basis.

6010 Georgia Ave. NW Washington, DC 20011 202-829-0420 catholiccharitiesdc.org/bakhita-shelter/

Hours: 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily

#### D. Family Crisis Center, Emergency Housing Program

Offers temporary, emergency housing for persons affected by domestic violence. Must complete screening to determine best service area. Shelter stay includes wrap-around services and safety planning. Organization also provides abuser intervention counseling.

3601 Taylor Street (main office) Brentwood, MD <u>20722</u> 301-779-2100 networkofcare.org

#### E. St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families

St. Ann's Center operates three supportive housing programs for at-risk mothers and their children: Grace House, Hope House & Faith House. Our wrap-around services include an education and employment program, nursing care, parenting classes, life skills training, child-care, individual and family counseling, and social and cultural activities.

#### **Grace House**

The home of our Teen Mother & Baby Program, Grace House offers residential care for pregnant adolescents and young mothers (ages 13-21) and their babies.

#### **Hope House & Faith House**

A transitional and supportive housing program for pregnant and parenting women experiencing homelessness and instability.

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500 stanns.org/support

#### F. Family Emergency Shelter

The Family Emergency Shelter provides up to 90 days of emergency shelter for homeless families. Clients are housed in apartment units. Services include substance abuse counseling, transportation tokens, workshops, tutoring, job assistance and child care referrals. The units are wheelchair accessible.

Adelphi, MD 20783 301-431-4570 shelterlistings.org/details/20772/

#### **G. Virginia Williams Family Resource Center**

33 N. Street NE / Washington, DC 20002 202-526-0017 <u>catholiccharitiesdc.org/housinghelp/family-re-housing-stabilization-program-frsp</u>

#### H. Rock Creek Road Church Single Room Occupancy

624 Rock Creek Church Road NW Washington, DC 20010 202-319-2121 catholiccharitiesdc.org/rock-creek-church-sro

#### **Men's Housing**

#### A. Transition Center at Prince George's House

Prince George's House (PGH) is a 36-bed men's shelter in Capital Heights, MD. The residents at PGH range in age from 17 to 73. They are veterans, young adults who have aged out of the foster care system, citizens returning from incarceration and men who are simply down on their luck.

Transition Center at Prince George's House Offers:

- Emergency shelter
- Transitional housing
- Meals
- Counseling for:
  - Housing,
  - Substance abuse
  - Mental health
  - Careers

603 Addison Road South, Capitol Heights, MD 20743 301-808-5317

#### **B. Denney House**

The Denney House Transitional Housing Program supports men and women in transition to independence. The goal of the program is to promote independent living for eligible participants. We envision a world where it does not matter where you began but how you finish. We have opened our doors using the components of the five pillars of livability, guiding our clients into a self-sufficient lifestyle. We will work with returning citizens, women fleeing domestic violence, veterans, and LGBTQ and underprivileged transitional aged youth who are 18-24.\* In partnership with our community organizations, we aim to provide the following supportive services:

- Long-term residency
- Client-centered case management

- Action plan for personal development
- Behavioral and mental health services
- Life skills
- Work readiness training
- Nurturing Environment that supports positive relationships
- Program fees/financial literacy
- Spiritual growth and the arts
- After-care to support self-sufficiency.

\*Those over 24 may be admitted on case-by-case basis and must be justice involved.

6502 Horseshoe Rd. Clinton, MD 20735 301-899-0505 thedenneyhouse.org/

#### C. Damascus House

The Damascus House is a nonprofit, Gospel-centered drug and alcohol discipleship ministry. The Damascus House for Men opened in 2015, and the Damascus House for Women opened in fall 2022. Our heart-focused discipleship model teaches drug- and alcohol- dependent men and women the life-changing truth of the Gospel. Occupants will learn what it means to leave the old self behind.

4203 Ritchie Hwy, Brooklyn, MD 21225 410-789-7446 thedamascushouse.com/

# D. Men's Shelters in DC (accepts Prince George's County residents)

DC Shelter Hotline 202-399-7093

#### E. Adam's Place

Anyone who identifies as male over the age of 18 is welcome to use this program if they need a place to stay. The program offers a hot dinner, access to case management staff, showers, and a bed on a nightly basis. The low-barrier shelter is open from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily pending weather alerts issued by DC government. Shuttle service to downtown Washington, DC is provided several times per day to assist clients in getting to and from work, day programs and other resources. The shelter also serves as a hypothermia emergency shelter during the coldest months of the year, from November through March.

2210 Adams Pl NE #1, Washington, DC 20018 202-832-8317 catholiccharitiesdc.org/housinghelp/adamsplace

#### F. 801 East Men's Shelter

Catholic Charities 801 East Men's Shelter on the St. Elizabeth's East campus in Ward 8 is a low-barrier shelter program open to anyone who identifies as male 18 years and older. The shelter also includes a work bed program and beds reserved for seniors and individuals with medical needs. The program offers a hot dinner, access to housing-focused case management, showers, and a bed on a nightly basis. The facility provides 396 beds and is open from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily. Shelter hours may be extended due to weather alerts issued by DC government. DC Shelter Hotline Shuttle service to downtown Washington, DC, is provided several times a day to assist clients in getting to and from our site. The shelter also serves as a hypothermia emergency shelter during the coldest months of the year, from November to March.

2700 Martin Luther King Jr. Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20032 202-561-4014 catholiccharitiesdc.org/housinghelp/801east

#### G. New York Avenue Men's Shelter

This is a low-barrier shelter program open to anyone who identifies as male over the age of 18. The program offers a hot dinner, access to case management staff, showers, and a bed on a nightly basis. The low-barrier shelter is open from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily pending weather alerts issued by DC government. Shuttle service to downtown Washington, DC is provided several times per day to assist clients in getting to and from work, day programs and other resources. The shelter also serves as a hypothermia emergency shelter during the coldest months of the year, from November to March. Residents accepted on a first-come, first-served basis and provided a cot/bed and sheets/blanket, as well as:

- An evening meal provided by the DC Central Kitchen
- Showers and personal toiletries
- Case management services, such as working with residents to develop a service plan with goals the client wants to achieve and providing information, referrals, and linkages to substance abuse, mental health, medical, employment, and other social services
- Employment programs: 24-hour access to the facility for job-ready residents who are competitively employed
- Social worker assistance: Case management and job readiness and search services.
- Financial management assistance: Residents who are competitively employed put 30% of their gross income into a personal bank account that is monitored by the clinical team for six months. These savings are used to secure permanent housing.
- Medical clinic operated by Unity Health Care for the Homeless six hours a week, Monday and Tuesday 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

1355 New York Avenue NE, Washington, DC 20002 202-832-2359 catholiccharitiesdc.org/housinghelp/newyorkave

#### H. 8th Street Single Room Occupancy

Located in Washington, DC, this is a single room occupancy program that helps bridge the final gap for men over the age of 18 working to break out of homelessness and into independence. All residents must be able to demonstrate sustained sobriety and must be either employed for at least six months or have a verifiable income source. Referrals are accepted from social workers, case managers at emergency shelters and transitional housing programs with documentation of substance abuse treatment and completion.

We provide 24-hour access, single-room housing to qualifying residents as a final step before independent living in the process of recovering from homelessness.

4214 8th St. NW, Washington, DC 20011 202-319-2121 catholiccharitiesdc.org/8th-st-sro/



#### **Senior Housing**

# A. Prince George's County Department of Family Services, Aging and Disability Services Division

- Age 62+
- Three kinds of housing available through the county:
  - below market rate (affordable housing) privately owned
  - low-income housing (below 30% of income)
  - About 20-21 subsidized housing units available through HUD.
- Five public housing units available to seniors and people with disabilities

301-265-8450

princegeorgescountymd.gov/1644/Older-Adult-Services

#### **B.** Woodlands at Reid Temple Senior Housing

- Affordable housing, wait list
- One- and two-bedroom units
- \$1461 for a one-bedroom and \$1731 for a two-bedroom
- Currently only four units available
- Accepts Prince George's County housing vouchers
- Minimum income is \$29,100, maximum is \$59,800
- Long-term housing

301-778-1281

woodlandsatreidtemple.com/

#### C. Assistance in Community Integration Services (ACIS)

ACIS is an initiative of the State of Maryland's Medicaid 1115 Health Choice Waiver. The Prince George's County ACIS Program serves highrisk, high-utilizing Medicaid enrollees who are at risk of institutional placement or homelessness.

ACIS is focused on addressing the needs of the county's familiar faces who cycle in and out of multiple systems with chronic health conditions, mental illness, addictions and a history of incarceration and/or homelessness. Working with our community partners, ACIS serves individuals who are Medicaid-eligible with the goal of providing low- or no-barrier stable housing and well-integrated medical care with wrap-around services.

#### What are the criteria for enrollment?

To be considered for the ACIS program, the client must be a **resident of Prince George's County**, currently **enrolled in Maryland Medicaid**, and meet at least one health criteria and one housing criteria listed below.

#### Health Criteria

- Repeated incidents of emergency department (ED) use (defined as more than four visits per year) or hospital admissions.
- Two or more chronic conditions as defined in <u>Section 1945(h)(2) of the Social Security Act</u> (including, but not limited to, the following: a mental health condition, substance use disorder, asthma, diabetes, heart disease, being overweight as evidenced by having a Body Mass Index (BMI) over 25).

#### Housing Criteria

- Individuals who will experience homelessness upon release from the settings defined in 24 CFR 578.3 (such as a health-care facility, a mental health facility, substance abuse facility, foster care or other youth facility, or correction program or institution);
- Those homeless and at imminent risk of institutionalization.

#### How to make a referral

To refer yourself or another person into the program, please call **301-883-3413** to **request a <u>referral form</u>** and a <u>**release of information**</u> form.

#### **Participating Entities**

- Jobs Have Priority Inc.
- Mission of Love Charities Inc.
- People Encouraging People Inc.
- Prince George's County Department of Social Services
- Prince George's County Fire/EMS (Mobile Integrated Health)
- Prince George's Healthcare Alliance, Inc.
- Vesta Inc.

#### **Community Partners**

- Amerigroup Maryland Inc.
- Local Behavioral Health Authority
- Prince George's County Department of Corrections
- Prince George's County Housing Authority

301-883-7802

princegeorgescountymd.gov/3492

#### **D. Senior Subsidized Government Housing**

Designed to assist low-income individuals, subsidized government housing is managed through Prince George's County Housing Authority. For HUD Housing Choice Program — rent is based on income and calculated at 30% of renter's income.

301-883-5501

Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. for information and application.

princegeorgescountymd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/24613/2020-Prince-Georges-Senior-Resource-Guide



# 7

# Youth & Young Adults Housing

#### A. Sasha Bruce Youthwork Inc. (up to age 24)

#### **Promise Place**

Promise Place is an emergency youth shelter in Prince George's County, Maryland. The shelter provides homeless, abandoned, abused, neglected and runaway youth a compassionate alternative to the dangers of the streets and/or unstable housing. Operated in partnership with the Prince George's County Department of Social Services.

Promise Place is open 24 hours a day and serves up to 20 youth at one time. By providing a safe place to stay and intensive counseling services, Promise Place helps most youth reunite with their families and works to return all young people to stable and safe environments. On-site services include crisis intervention; individual, group, and family counseling; case management, support for shelter graduates, and temporary respite care.

For ages 18-24, male and female. You must be referred from hotline, youth 12-17 must be referred from DHS

SBY has multiple housing programs under their Safe Homes initiative. The majority of the SBY housing resources are based in Washington, D.C., with the exception of Promise Place.

Capitol Heights, MD 240-764-8253 Homeless Crisis Hotline 888-731-0999 sashabruce.org/programs/safehomes/promise-place/

#### **Independent Living Program (ILP)**

The Independent Living Program provides residential services for homeless young people ages 18 – 24 years old who are unable to return home. Residents may be self-referred or referred by case workers or family. The ILP program offers apartment-style living for teenagers

unable to return home due to absent or severely dysfunctional families or to young people transitioning out of foster care homes. Residents may stay in ILP housing for up to 18 months. Residents must be enrolled in school, work part-time, and save portions of their income. Some also contribute to their rent. When individuals are able to move out on their own, ILP counselors help them find apartments and roommates and provide follow-up support to help them achieve stability.

1312 East Capitol St. NE, Washington DC 20003 202-675-9375 sashabruce.org

Contact: mdaley@sashabruce.org

#### B. St. Ann's Center for Children, Youth and Families

St. Ann's Center operates three supportive housing programs for atrisk mothers and their children: Grace House, Hope House and Faith House. Our wrap-around services include an education and employment program, nursing care, parenting classes, life skills training, childcare, individual and family counseling, and social and cultural activities.

Grace House is the home of St. Ann's Teen Mother & Baby Program, where pregnant and parenting young women are supported through their pregnancy and early motherhood.

A dedicated support team offers Grace House clients structure and guidance as they sort through life options, develop new skills, and make important decisions about the well-being of their children and the future of their young family.

Hyattsville, MD 20782 301-559-5500 stanns.org/support/teen-mother-baby

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6200 Sheridan St., Riverdale, MD 20737
Contact: |ackeline Lizama, |ackeline@layc-dc.org

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Contact: Kai Hernandez, kai@layc-dc.org, 301-971-4044

#### D. Covenant House

Covenant House meets immediate needs for food, clothing, safety, and medical and mental health care. We have specialized programs for young parents and their small children and for human trafficking survivors. Covenant House helps young people experiencing homelessness

to advance their goals and achieve sustainable independence with education, job readiness and career pathways programs.

Through a strengths-based, trauma-informed practice model, refined over time through decades of outcome data, Covenant House helps young people discover and develop their power to overcome adversity and achieve their dreams. The continuum of care includes <u>immediate</u> care in the short-term housing program, <u>Transitional Living and Rights of Passage</u> program, public education and prevention, and aftercare and permanent housing support.

2001 Mississippi Ave. SE, Washington, DC 20020 202-610-9600 covenanthousegw.org

#### E. Sasha Bruce Youthwork

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Drop-In Center Downtown
Project Safe Place
Street Outreach
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741 8th St. SE, Washington, DC 20003 / Visitors' entrance, 745 8th St., SE 202-675-9340

sashabruce.org/programs/safehomes/independent-living-program-ilp/info@sashabruce.org



#### **Veteran's Housing**

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#### **Client Eligibility**

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#### B. HUD/VASH

The HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing (HUD-VASH) program combines HUD's Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) rental assistance for homeless veterans with case management and clinical services provided by the <u>Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)</u>. VA provides these services for participating veterans at VA medical centers (VAMCs), community-based outreach clinics (CBOCs), through VA contractors or through other VA designated entities.

Are you a veteran looking for housing assistance? Contact a VA medical center near you and mention your interest in HUD-VASH.

#### **Nearest VAMC to Prince George's County:**

<u>Washington VA Medical Center</u> 50 Irving St., Northwest Washington, DC 20422-0001 202-745-8000/Mental health care, 202-745-8000 ext. 58156 va.gov/washington-dc-health-care



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# Non-English Speakers/English as a Second Language Housing

**Interpretation Services** are available for non-English speaking customers. Please contact 301-909-6362 for assistance.

#### A. Prince George's County Department of Social Services

The Prince George's County Department of Social Services provides information, assistance and referrals to county residents who are facing homelessness or an eviction. This program provides:

- Screening of applicants to determine eligibility
- Interviewing and assessment
- Counseling, information and referral
- Landlord and tenant mediation
- Follow-up and linkages to other available resources
- Ongoing community outreach and training through the Community Outreach Program (COP)

**Assistance organizations:** You may be eligible to receive financial help to pay your rent or mortgage if you are faced with a crisis that may result in an eviction, foreclosure or homelessness. You can also get help by calling the following organizations:

#### **Catholic Charities, Forestville**

301-568-9529

#### **Community Ministries, Seat Pleasant**

301-499-2319

#### **Laurel Advocacy and Referral, Laurel**

301-776-0442

#### United Communities Against Poverty (UCAP), Capitol Heights

301-322-5700

**To apply for eviction or foreclosure assistance:** When you call the numbers listed above, a staff member will advise you about the program and what information they need. They will also do a preliminary screening to see if you may be eligible to apply for financial assistance. There are some questions you'll need to answer:

- Are you a Prince George's County resident?
- Why are you facing eviction or foreclosure?
- Do you hold the lease on the apartment or deed on the house?
- What is the total income of your household?
- What are your monthly expenses?
- Do you have sufficient income to cover monthly expenses after we help you?
- Was the crisis due to circumstances beyond your control?
- Are you willing to participate in counseling or other relevant activities that will prevent this crisis from happening again?

**Required documents:** The information you supply will be kept confidential. You'll be asked for documents such as:

- Wage/pay stubs
- Property records or deeds
- Your current lease
- Delinquent rent or mortgage bill
- Birth certificates and social security numbers for you and members of your family
- The name and address of the landlord or mortgage company
- Other documentation which may support your claim for assistance.

#### **Eligibility for Prince George's County residents:**

- In danger of eviction
- Homeowners facing foreclosure
- Homeless persons who need security deposits or first month's rent to move into permanent housing.

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# **LGBTQ+ Housing**

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The LAYC Drop-In Center is a safe haven for ALL youth 24 and under of any race, ethnicity, sexual orientation or gender identity to connect to safe housing resources. Our friendly bilingual staff provide ongoing assessments and case management to connect youth to needed services including education and employment support, mental health, and accessing public benefits.

The LAYC services youth from Washington D.C. Prince George's County, and Montgomery County, MD.

**Drop In:** Includes access to showers, snacks and hot meals, nap space, resources for permanent housing, mail delivery, laundry and mental health services.

3045 15th St. NW, Washington, DC 20009

202-425-0780

Hours: Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Contact: Carlyssa Winstead, Drop-In Center Program Manager,

carlyssa@layc-dc.org

# **B. National Alliance to End Homelessness**

A nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting research, best practices, and public policy to end homelessness for LGBTQ+ citizens.

1518 K St. NW, Suite 410, Washington, DC 20005 202-638-1526

www.endhomelessness.org

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- Life skills
- Work readiness training
- Nurturing Environment that supports positive relationships
- Program fees/financial literacy
- Spiritual growth and the arts
- After-care to support self-sufficiency.

\*Those over 24 may be admitted on case-by-case basis and must be justice involved.

6502 Horseshoe Rd. Clinton, MD 20735 301-899-0505 thedenneyhouse.org/

# D. Wanda Alston Foundation (WAF)

The mission of the Wanda Alston Foundation (WAF) is to eradicate homelessness and poverty for LGBTQ youth between the ages of 18 and 24. We are dedicated to ensuring that LGBTQ youth experiencing homelessness have access to services that improve their overall quality of life. Our mission is achieved through our advocacy and programming. The Wanda Alston Foundation advocates for increased resources for youth while providing programs including housing, life skills training, case management services, linkages to medical care and mental health

care and other social services, support in staying or returning to school, and employment support.

1701 Rhode Island Ave NW, 2nd Floor, Washington DC 20036 202-465-8794 wandaalstonfoundation.org/

#### Intimate Partner Violence shelter examples and resources

Intimate Partner Violence exists in relationships and experiences where power and control are used for harm. This type of harm can be done by people you are connected to in any area of your life: romantic/ sexual partners, friends, colleagues, roommates, service providers. These experiences of harm and abuse show up in many ways in our community; below are some examples:

- Identity: misgendering, using gendered stereotypes to coerce you into specific behaviors, jealousy focused on sexual orientation or any way that your sexual orientation and gender identities were denied, forced, or violated.
- Isolation: threatening to out you, disclose your HIV status or deny access to children.
- Emotional and Psychological: gaslighting, shaming, lying and controlling your choices or behaviors.
- Religious: spirituality is used to shame or control you.
- Financial: demanding you support them or justifying harm because you are dependent on them.
- Sexual: coerced sex such as guilt-tripping as a motivation, demanding sex work, calling body parts by names that do not align with your gender identity, requiring sex acts that do not affirm you, demanding unprotected sex, ignoring safe words, sexual violence.
- Physical: includes slapping, pinching, choking, kicking, shoving. It doesn't matter how rare, if physical marks were apparent, or if you defended yourself.
- Legal: using the legal system, such as reporting sex work or calling ICE.
- Threats: that left you worried for yourself, your children, friends, family, or pets.
- Stalking: following including online, repeated unwanted contact, unwanted gifts.

We believe you, and your experiences are real and valid. We are here to support you.

#### counselingcenter@wandaalstonfoundation.org

202-964-2789

Hours: Monday to Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

#### In an emergency:

**Call 911** if you are in a situation with a need for immediate safety

#### **Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program**

If someone you know is in a psychiatric crisis and needs immediate help 202-673-9319

Hours: 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### **DC Victim Hotline**

The hotline victim assistance staff provides essential crisis-intervention support and helps callers access the complete continuum of care, including Crime Victim's Compensation and Emergency Housing. Hours: 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### **DASH DC**

For connection to local resources, including non-immediate housing options, contact DASH DC and the Virginia Williams Resource Center. 202-526-0017

VW@dashdc.org

# **Human Trafficking Hotline**

To help you get out of a situation where you are trapped or forced to work, contact the National Human Trafficking Hotline. Languages: 200 languages, including English and Spanish

888-373-7888

SMS: 233733 (Text "HELP" or "INFO")

humantraffickinghotline.org

Hours: 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### The Network/La Red

National hotline specializing in the needs of partner abuse in LGBTQ communities, including polyamory, BDSM and kink 800-832-1901

Hours: 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline

A safe space for anonymous and confidential LGBTQ issues, including relationship issues and other struggles.

888-843-4564

Hours: Monday to Friday 4 p.m.-12 a.m., Saturday 12 a.m.-5 p.m.

### **National Coalition of Anti-Violence Programs Hotline**

212-714-1121

Hours: 24 hours a day, seven days a week

#### **Amara Legal Center**

Provides legal support for individuals impacted by sex trafficking or involved in sex work in the DC-metro area.

amaralegal.org/contact/

# E. District Alliance for Safe Housing (DASH)

PO Box 91730 Washington, DC 20090-1730 https://dashdc.org/housing-resource-center/find-safe-housing/lgbtqi/

#### Housing resources for LGBTQI survivors

People who are in same sex relationships experience abuse at the same rate as those in heterosexual relationships, and the same dynamics are present. Abusive tactics that are unique to LGBTQI relationships include:

- Threats to out the survivor to employers (if he or she is not already out);
- Threats to have children taken away by telling the authorities of the survivor's sexual orientation or gender;
- Mental abuse, by saying "no one will believe you because you're gay";
- Intimidation (looks, actions and gestures that reinforce homophobia or transphobia);
- Control by being the one to define your relationship and each partner's role in the relationship.

<sup>\*</sup>Information retrieved from the National Center on Domestic and Sexual Violence

Though there are no domestic violence housing programs that are specifically for LGBTQI survivors in Washington, DC, the following programs in Maryland state that they serve LGBTQI survivors:

#### Turn Around Inc.

- Population served: Single women; women with children; LGBT victims; immigrants and refugees.
- Services: Emergency and transitional housing; 24-hour crisis hotline; community education; individual and group counseling; ER companion; outreach; advocacy; counseling for friends and family of victims; Safe Home Safe Pets Program; and Teen Empowerment Program.
- Emergency Housing Program admission process: Call and speak to an intake worker who will try to find placement in a MD shelter. This program is a last resort because it is very short term and located offsite from the agency.
- Transitional Housing Program admission process: Must have a referral from an agency, including a shelter.
- Eligibility requirements: Must be a DV survivor; must not pose a threat to self or others; must either work or attend school at least 20 hours per week; must be drug and alcohol free.
- Wheelchair accessible: Yes.
- Residency requirements: Will consider those from the DC area if space permits and can assist DC women to find housing placement in the Baltimore area.
- Bi-lingual services available.

401 Washington Avenue, Suite 300, Towson, MD 21204 410-377-8111 / 410-828-6390 hotline / 410-377-6806 fax turnaroundinc.org

# Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

P.O. Box 5, Denton, MD 21629 410-479-1149 / 800-927-4673 hotline / 410-479-2064 fax mscfv.org

# Other housing resources for LGBTQI survivors

If you experience housing discrimination due to your sexual orientation or expression of gender identity, please contact the Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless or the Equal Rights Center.

An important fact to remember is that discrimination based on gender identity or expression is illegal in Washington, DC, which means that any of the housing options available to female survivors are legally available to those who identify as women.

# Housing and support for people identifying as transgender, intersex or queer

#### **Transgender Health Empowerment**

Offers free and confidential HIV testing and counseling; drop-in center; counseling; referrals to medical care, treatment, substance abuse and mental health services, job training programs, and educational opportunities.

1711 N. Capitol St. NE, Washington, DC 20002 202-636-1646 / 202-636-1649 fax <a href="mailto:theincdc.org/">theincdc.org/</a>

#### **Different Avenues**

821 Upshur St. NW, Suite B, Washington, DC 20011 202-829-2103 / 202-829-2104 differentavenues.org

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# **G. Supporting and Mentoring Youth Advocates and Leaders**

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SMYAL is the largest LGBTQ youth housing provider in the DMV region. Across SMYAL's Youth Housing Program, 60+ residents receive LGBTQ-affirming support and individually tailored services as they move through our three-tiered progress system toward sustainable independence. Each program provides safe and stable shelter, food, case management services, mental health counseling, crisis intervention, and community support for its residents. Residents meet weekly with case managers to collaboratively work on their individualized service plans.

Residents can attend life skills courses and community engagement opportunities, including nutrition and cooking classes, financial literacy, healthy relationships and communication, and resume workshops. Entry into SMYAL's Transitional Housing, Extended Transitional Housing and Rapid Re-Housing Programs is part of the District of Columbia Coordinated Entry System. Anyone interested in accessing affirming housing services, please contact the SMYAL Youth House office at 202-567-3166 or e-mail <a href="mailto:housing@smyal.org">housing@smyal.org</a>. If you are a youth seeking emergency housing, visit the Washington, DC, Department of Human Services' Youth Homeless Services web page at <a href="mailto:dhs.dc.gov/page/youth-homeless-services">dhs.dc.gov/page/youth-homeless-services</a>.

410 7th St. SE, Washington, DC 20003 202-546-5940 supporterinfo@smyal.org smyal.org/

# I. Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Affairs

The Mayor's Office of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Questioning Affairs will open the first shelter of its kind for a LGBTQ adults 25 and older shelter. The shelter will be located at 400 50th St. SE in Ward 7. The District has for years had dedicated shelters for LGBTQ youth. The city estimates that roughly 40 percent of homeless D.C. youth identified as members of the LGBTQ+ community.

For more information, see <u>community affairs.dc.gov/molgbtqa</u> and <u>washingtonpost.com/dc-md-va/2022/07/14/dc-lgbtq-homeless-shelter</u>.

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- Work readiness training
- Nurturing Environment that supports positive relationships
- Program fees/financial literacy
- Spiritual growth and the arts
- After-care to support self-sufficiency.

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<sup>\*</sup>Those over 24 may be admitted on case-by-case basis and must be justice involved.

#### C. Damascus House

The Damascus House is a nonprofit, Gospel-centered drug and alcohol discipleship ministry. The Damascus House for Men opened in 2015, and the Damascus House for Women opened in fall 2022. Our heart-focused discipleship model teaches drug- and alcohol- dependent men and women the life-changing truth of the Gospel. Occupants will learn what it means to leave the old self behind.

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# **Prince George's County Municipalities**

Town of Berwin Heights City of Bowie

# **Prince George's County Departments**

Prince George's County - Department of Social Services
Prince George's County - Police Department

Prince George's County - Area Agency on Aging

Prince George's County - Returning Citizen Affairs Division

# **Community Organizations**

Bridge Center at Adams House Greenbelt CARES







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