



Housing Resource Guide

1. **Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA):** Clients can access countywide housing resources via the LAHSA Coordinated Entry System (CES) Family Solution Centers (FSC). The CES directory ([CES Directory](#)) has access point locations listed where an individual can be assessed and matched with other housing programs.*

[LAHSA Homelessness Prevention Program](#) Homeless Prevention provides individuals and families who are at imminent risk of homelessness with temporary financial assistance and housing stabilization services necessary to maintain their current housing or assistance finding new housing to avoid becoming homeless and entering the emergency shelter system.

Other LAHSA resources:

- Safe Parking LA provides people living in cars with a safe and legal place to park and sleep at night. [Apply for Safe Parking LA - Safe Parking LA](#)
- [Domestic violence resources](#) domestic violence shelters and provider resources.
- Legal help with housing, evictions, or tenant rights, Medical Legal Community Partnership for Health Services patients (818) 485-0575 and [legal](#).
- [Find A Shelter](#)
- [Shallow Subsidy](#) Provides rental assistance to individuals or families who are enrolled in a Rental Subsidy Housing Program and need continued rental assistance and light touch case management to maintain their housing due to being rent burden and unable to afford their rent without assistance.

*Be aware that due to funding, services may be limited.

2. **Los Angeles County Development Authority (LACDA):** The Los Angeles County Development Authority provides housing, community, and economic development programs to the residents of Los Angeles County [LACDA](#)
 - Section 8 - [Section 8 \(lacda.org\)](#)
 - Affordable Housing - [Affordable Housing \(lacda.org\)](#)
 - Tenants - [Tenants \(lacda.org\)](#)
 - Public Housing - [Public Housing \(lacda.org\)](#)
 - How to Apply for Section 8 - [How To Apply \(lacda.org\)](#)
3. **Department of Public Social Services (DPSS):** DPSS Assistance Programs include motel voucher, rental assistance and moving assistance. Additional DPSS resources can be found here: [DPSS Homeless Assistance](#). Please consult with the co-located DPSS Linkages Liaison in your office for more information.

DPSS Resources:

[CalWORKs Housing Support Program](#) (HSP) assists families in the CalWORKs program that are experiencing homelessness or are at risk of homelessness. HSP offers financial assistance and housing-related wraparound



supportive services, including but not limited to rental assistance, housing navigation, case management, security deposits, utility payments, moving costs, interim shelter assistance, legal services, and credit repair.

[Temporary Homeless Assistance \(THA\) FACT Sheet](#): DCFS staff can recommend the FR GAIN Services Worker (GSW) to issue FR-THA funds if the parent needs housing to reunify with their child.

[Permanent Homeless Assistance \(HA\)](#) helps homeless families secure a permanent residence or provides up to two months' back rent when the family has received any notice that could lead to an eviction, regardless of the circumstances cited in the notice.

Families can apply for Temporary and/or Permanent HA at any CalWORKs office by completing the CW 42 (09/23), Statement of Facts – Homeless Assistance or by calling the Customer Service Center (CSC) at (866) 613-3777 for assistance on completing the application over the phone

[Emergency Assistance to Prevent Eviction \(EAPE\) Program](#) helps CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WtW) families who are behind in rent and/or utility bills due to a financial crisis which could lead to eviction and homelessness. The EAPE Program provides eligible families with a once-in-a-lifetime* maximum of up to \$5,000 to pay for multiple months of their past due rent and/or utilities to help them keep their housing. EAPE also pays for utility reconnection fees, if the family's utilities have been disconnected when the EAPE application is submitted.

[Moving Assistance \(MA\) Program](#) helps CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WtW) families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless due to a financial crisis resulting from circumstances out of the family's control. It provides eligible families with a once-in-a-lifetime* payment of up to \$2,500 to secure permanent housing. Families can apply for MA at any CalWORKs office or by calling the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

[4-Month Rental Assistance \(RA\) Program](#) provides formerly homeless CalWORKs Welfare-to-Work (WtW) families with a short-term rental subsidy after securing non-subsidized permanent housing. If the CalWORKs WtW family is participating in the GAIN Family Stabilization Program, the family may receive an additional four consecutive months of rental subsidy payments; totaling up to eight consecutive months.

[Department of Public Social Services \(DPSS\) Cash Assistance Program for Immigrants \(CAPI\)](#) provides monthly cash benefits to aged, blind, and disabled non-citizens who are ineligible for Supplemental Security Income/State Supplementary Payment (SSI/SSP) due solely to their immigration status.

To be eligible, applicants must: Be a non-citizen and meet the immigration status criteria in effect for SSI/SSP as of 08/21/96, 65+, blind or disabled, ineligible for SSI/SSP solely due to their immigration status, reside in California and have an income less than the CAPI income standard.

How to apply: Visit any DPSS CalWORKS district office during business hours or contact the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

Learn more at www.dpss.lacounty.gov [Homeless Services](#)

[Department of Public Social Services \(DPSS\) General Relief \(GR\)](#) Provides assistance to individuals who do not qualify for other State or federal cash assistance programs. GR includes a monthly cash grant of \$221 for a single person and access to supportive services, including assistance to prevent eviction/homelessness, utility



shut off or restoration.

To be eligible, applicants must: Be 18 years or older, reside in Los Angeles County for at least 15 calendar days, not be in violation of parole or probation, not be fleeing to avoid prosecution or custody/confinement after a felony conviction, meet the income and resource limits.

How to apply: Visit any DPSS GR district office during business hours, online via the BenefitsCal online portal, or contact the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

Learn more at www.dpss.lacounty.gov [Homeless Services](#)

[Department of Public Social Services \(DPSS\) California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids \(CalWORKS\)](#)

Provides cash assistance and services to families who need assistance covering essential costs such as housing, food, utilities, clothing, or medical care. This includes access to education, employment, and training programs. To be eligible: Families must have or be expecting at least one child; and Children in the family must not be receiving parental support due to absence, a disability, under or unemployment, or death of either parent. Applicants must meet the program requirements, such as citizenship, age, income, resources, assets and other factors.

How to apply: Visit any DPSS CalWORKS district office during business hours or contact the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

Learn more at [Homeless Services](#)

[CalWORKS Diversion Program](#) Provides one-time payments to eligible CalWORKs applicants to cover a specific need, such as an eviction notice or a car repair, that may help them keep or obtain employment.

To be eligible, applicants must: Qualify for CalWORKS; Have a steady work history or strong earning potential and likelihood of obtaining employment, have a one-time unexpected problem preventing the applicant from keeping or obtaining a job, have stable housing and child care (unless that is what the applicant needs support with), and not have significant barriers to employment, such as substance use.

How to apply: Visit any DPSS CalWORKS district office during business hours or contact the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

Learn more at [Homeless Services](#)

[CalWORKS Non-Recurring Special Need Payments](#) are issued to CalWORKs participants for household emergencies resulting from sudden and unusual circumstances beyond their control, including homelessness while looking for permanent housing resulting from sudden and unusual circumstances.

To be eligible, applicants must: Have less than \$100 in non-exempt liquid resources (ex: cash on hand). Have an emergency because of a unexpected circumstance such as sudden loss or damage to home or household belongings.

How to apply: Visit any DPSS CalWORKS district office during business hours or contact the Customer Service Center at (866) 613-3777.

Learn more at [Homeless Services](#)

4. **211LA**: has a resource database that can be accessed here [211LA](#) or individuals can dial 211 to speak with someone regarding housing assistance.



5. **Military & Veterans Affairs – Custom Benefits & Services Consultation** For help with homelessness or legal guidance, connect with a Veterans Service Officer (VSO). They can offer referrals and assist in navigating housing benefits and legal options for veterans.
6. **LA-HOP** is designed to assist people experiencing homelessness in LA County with outreach services.
7. **Adult Protective Services (APS) Home Safe Program** this program finds contacts and temporary shelter for older adults who are experiencing homelessness in LA County. For more information and if there is availability: [Aging & Disabilities Department](#)
8. **Winter Shelter Program** is held annually to protect people experiencing homelessness during Los Angeles's colder months. For information: [Winter Shelter](#) or email wintershelter@lahsa.org
9. **Housing Units:** LA County has a database of rental listings here: <https://housing.lacounty.gov/>
10. **Department of Health Services (DHS): Housing For Health Programs** This program is for homeless people that includes health services with complex medical and behavioral health conditions. Visit the Housing for Health website to find out about the various programs.

DHS Resources:

General contact information: [\(323\)-274-3600](tel:323-274-3600)

Brochure: [LADHS Shelter Housing](#)

[Interim Housing \(IH\) Program](#) provides an avenue for people experiencing homelessness to safely move inside and connect with services and permanent housing. Housing for Health specializes in providing this temporary housing for individuals with complex medical and behavioral health conditions.

[Permanent Supportive Housing \(PSH\)](#) is an evidence-based intervention that ends homelessness for vulnerable people with complex health conditions by pairing housing subsidies and supportive services. Housing for Health matches people with housing subsidies to Intensive Case Management Services (ICMS), which are delivered by community-based providers.

[Enriched Residential Care \(ERC\)](#) program provides housing placements for individuals who have complex physical and behavioral health conditions and need ongoing help managing their health and completing activities of daily living. Participants referred to enriched residential care are often discharged from an inpatient hospital, living in an unsheltered setting, or living in housing or interim housing that lacks the higher level of care that they need.

[Skid Row Campus](#) is a welcoming and safe space for services, connection and community. The campus offers a place for Skid Row residents to access hygiene care, case management, health care, harm reduction supplies and more. The campus, run by community organizations and staffed by people from the Skid Row neighborhood, began providing services in April 2025. The campus reflects what Skid Row residents have highlighted as the greatest needs in the community. The goals are to improve the health and wellbeing of Skid Row community members and create pathways out of homelessness.



11. **Department of Mental Health (DMH):**

[LACDMH Housing and Job Development \(HJDD\) Division](#) provides a range of housing services and resources for homeless consumers. Provides move-in support such as rental and utility deposits, ongoing rental assistance, and eviction prevention resources for tenants who live with a serious mental illness. To be eligible, applicants must be at risk of eviction and receiving services from DMH.

To connect with DMH, please call (800) 854-7771.

How to apply: Case managers can apply on tenants' behalf by applying to DMH-HAP@dmh.lacounty.gov.

Learn more at [Department of Mental Health](#).

Housing programs with DMH:

[Countywide Housing Assistance Program \(HAP\)](#) Countywide Housing Assistance Program provides funding to assist mental health consumers without or limited financial resources to afford the costs associated with moving into permanent housing such as paying the security deposit, purchasing household goods and/or avoiding a possible eviction due to an unexpected financial hardship. To be eligible, applicants must be at risk of eviction and receiving services from DMH.

To connect with DMH, please call (800) 854-7771.

How to apply: Case managers can apply on tenants' behalf by applying to DMH-HAP@dmh.lacounty.gov.

Learn more at [Department of Mental Health](#).

[Interim Housing Program](#) is intended to provide temporary shelter services for adults with mental illness and their minor children who are homeless and who do not have adequate income (including financial benefits such as CalWORKs and SSI) to pay for temporary housing.

[Enriched Residential Care Program \(ERC\) Program](#) administered by the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health (LACDMH), was established to facilitate the placement of clients who require 24/7 care and supervision into licensed residential facilities to help them remain stably housed.

[MHSA Housing and Special Needs Housing Programs](#) The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Housing Program was jointly launched to support capital development and capitalized operating subsidies of supportive housing for individuals with serious mental illness and their families who are homeless.

[Related Housing Links](#) other resources

12. **Expecting and Parenting Former Foster Youth (EPY):** Must be between the ages of 18-26 at the time of application and have left a suitable placement order at 17 or older (DCFS and/or Probation). EPY funds are for closed TAY cases, or case has to be within 90 days of closing to be eligible. This is a one-time request for Expecting and Parenting Youth for up to \$5,000. Fathers are eligible.

Application: [SAFS-DCFS-Probation Navigation Application FINAL.pdf \(dropbox.com\)](#)

Consent: [SAFS-DCFS-Probation Consent for Release of Information-Verification Form FINAL.pdf \(dropbox.com\)](#)

Application can be submitted by a CSW, by a case manager from a CBO or from the youth themselves.

13. **DCFS Transitional Age Youth (TAY):** [ILP online Housing](#)

Independent Living Program Transitional Housing Program (ILP THP): Closed DCFS case. Parenting youths are



eligible. For foster youth or probation youth between the ages of 18-21 and are homeless or at risk of being homeless. This program will provide foster youth with an opportunity to live in an apartment in the community while getting support from a team of individuals that will help them with their independent living skills goals. This program has some beds specifically set aside for those mental health needs, and those services are built into the program.

For inquiries, please email: THP-Plus-ClosedCases@dcfs.lacounty.gov

Links: [Housing Application and ILP Verification Form](#)

[Fact Sheet](#)

[ILP THP Housing Intake Roster](#)

Transitional Housing Placement Program for Non-Minor Dependents: Open DCFS case. Parenting youths are eligible. Non-minor Dependents 18-year-old and up to 21 can live in an apartment or house out in the community while getting support from your CSW/DPO AND THPP-NMD staff.

To connect with THPP-NMD, please email: thpp@dcfs.lacounty.gov

Links: [Application Form](#)

[Fact Sheet](#)

[THPP-NMD Housing Intake Roster](#)

Transitional Housing Program Plus (THP-Plus): Closed DCFS case. Parenting youths are eligible. For foster or probation youth between the ages of 18 -24 and are homeless or at risk of being homeless. This program will provide youth with an opportunity to live in an apartment in the community while getting support from a team of individuals that will assist them with independent living skills goals. DCFS and/or Probation case will have to be closed prior to entering this housing program.

For inquiries, please email: thp-plus-closedcases@dcfs.lacounty.gov

Links: [Housing Application and ILP Verification Form](#)

[Fact Sheet](#)

[THP-Plus Housing Intake Roster](#)

Other Transitional Housing Programs: <https://ilponline.org/Housing/Additional>

For inquiries, please email: youthds@dcfs.lacounty.gov

14. **Justice, Care and Opportunities Department (JCOD):** is the County's new central agency unifying LA County's efforts to serve vulnerable justice-involved people and communities. [Contact Information](#)

For inquiries: 6 a.m. to 11 p.m. daily at [833-522-5263](tel:833-522-5263) or [833-LAC-JCOD](tel:833-LAC-JCOD). Website: <https://justiceconnect.org/>

POWR Program: this program is a one-year program for justice system involved women. Services available include case management to link them to community supports, interim housing, medical, employment, support with family reunification and linking women to substance use and/or mental health treatment.

Eligibility: System impacted women/women identified who are over 18.

Breaking Barriers: provides justice-involved individuals with programming to enable participants to move-in to a unit in the community and "transition in place" by taking over the full rent amount after 18-months of housing assistance and stable employment.

Eligibility: Justice-involved adults or small families who are experiencing homelessness and can work full-time.



[Reentry Interim Housing](#) provides short-term dwelling and group-based in-house programming for justice-involved individuals in need of housing support to stabilize and heal for a target of months while locating longer-term housing solutions through partnership with a JCOD care.

Eligibility: Single adults enrolled in a supportive service program such as Reentry Intensive Case Management Services (RICMS), Providing Opportunities for Women Reentry (POWR), or Youth Overcoming (YO!).

15. **Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative** : Countywide effort to prevent and end homelessness.

[LA County Eviction Prevention Programs](#) -LA County Homeless Prevention and Support Programs Resource Guide features eviction prevention programs available to eligible LA County residents. This guide includes information on services offered by County departments and partners, as well as eligibility criteria and how to access each program. These efforts are part of the County's commitment to supporting individuals and families at risk of homelessness. For the Guide in Spanish: [Programas de prevención de desalojos del condado de Los Ángeles](#)

16. **Community Legal Resources for eviction/tenant rights:**

[TenantsFacingEviction.pdf \(lacounty.gov\)](#) Tenant Resources for eviction for non- payment of rent.

[Tenant Resources - Housing Is Key \(ca.gov\)](#) California Courts has compiled a list of resources available for tenants to locate Self-Help Centers that offer free legal information and a lookup tool to find legal aid offices and referral services to other free and low-cost services in your area.

- [Stay Housed LA - Understand and protect your rights as a tenant](#)
- [Tenant Protections - City Attorney](#) Additional Resources and Legal Aid Organizations.
- [DCBA Rent Relief, Tenant Protections, Foreclosure Prevention](#)