



**Where to Turn for Housing
and Homeless Resources**
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Finding the right resources for shelter and affordable housing

Which best describes what you are experiencing?



I am fleeing domestic violence.



Please contact these phone numbers for local domestic violence shelters:



Women's Center and Shelter: 412-687-8005
Alle-Kiski Hope Center: 1-888-299-4673
Center for Victims: 1-866-644-2882

Where I am staying tonight

I am currently housed, or staying with family or friends.

I am residing in a car, outdoors, or somewhere else not fit for human habitation.

Find [affordable housing search resources](#) and call Allegheny Link 1-866-730-2368.

These are resources to apply for subsidized housing or search for housing that is within your price limit. As a note, you may need to provide documentation such as social security cards, ID, sources of income, and previous landlord names and addresses. Please know that finding affordable housing can often take several months.

You can also call the Allegheny Link at 1-866-730-2368.

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The Allegheny Link manages openings for family shelters in Allegheny County. They will take down your information and see if there is available shelter space that can accommodate your family.



I have minor children with me.



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Car, outdoors, somewhere not fit for human habitation

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If your situation changes and you find yourself in need of shelter, you can call the Allegheny Link at 1-866-730-2368.

Refer to this [emergency shelter and drop in center list](#).

The shelters on this list may have vacancies, and you can call them at these numbers. You can also visit drop-in centers, which offer different services like meals and laundry. If you need any help or have questions about accessing the shelter system, you can call Allegheny Link at 1-866-730-2368. Once you get to a shelter, it is also recommended that you call Allegheny Link to see if there are any housing programs that you might be eligible for.

Looking for Rent Assistance

Which of the following best describes your situation?



YES

I have a notice of filing with MDJ.



NO

I need help paying my back rent and security deposit.

BACK RENT

FIRST MONTH'S RENT

Please contact the Allegheny Housing Stabilization Collaborative (AHSC) by calling 412-248-0021

The Allegheny Housing Stabilization Collaborative (AHSC) can help with rental assistance and preventing eviction. You can call ACTION Housing and leave a voicemail with your name and phone number. A staff member will return your call within 10-14 business days to screen for your eligibility for the AHSC program. To check on the status of rental assistance or provide requested documents you can email: rentalassistance@actionhousing.org. Please know that demand for this assistance is high and it may take some time to receive assistance. If you have previously received rental assistance you may not be eligible for AHSC funds, and can contact AHSC to confirm eligibility.

Please call 2-1-1 to seek general financial resources and [Just Mediation Pittsburgh](#): 412-228-0730

You are not eligible for specific funds to assist with your rent as this time, so you should contact PA Southwest 2-1-1 to ask about general financial assistance.

Please contact Just Mediation to schedule a mediation with a neutral mediator who can help you and your landlord come up with a payment plan or another way to resolve your issue. Please note that Just Mediation Pittsburgh does not provide rental assistance.

Which best describes your current living situation?

Staying in a car, outdoors, or somewhere not fit for human habitation

I am currently housed or staying with family or friends.

Please call Allegheny Link: [1-866-730-2368](tel:1-866-730-2368).

The Allegheny Link will check to see if you are eligible for assistance with first month's rent and security deposit.

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You are not eligible for specific funds to assist with first month's rent at this time. Please contact PA Southwest 2-1-1 to ask about general financial assistance.

Are you Facing Eviction?

Which of the following best describes your situation?

I am being evicted because I am behind on rent or another reason.

UNPAID RENT

ANOTHER REASON

NO

I have a notice of filing with MDJ.

YES

Tenants do not need to leave their units as soon as they get a notice to quit. The landlord must go through the Magisterial District Court process.

Review eviction process [here](#).

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Please call [Neighborhood Legal Services](#): 412-255-6700 and [Just Mediation Pittsburgh](#): 412-228-0730.

Just Mediation can schedule a mediation with a neutral mediator who can help you and your landlord to resolve your dispute. This program requires the participation of the landlord. Neighborhood Legal Services can offer legal assistance if you meet financial eligibility guidelines.