



DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF

EDUCATION

District of Columbia Community Resources

Youth Resources: Drop-In Centers and Housing

Zoe's Doors Drop-In Center

(202) 248-2098

Website: <https://dhs.dc.gov/page/day-services-centers>

Services: Drop-in center (open 24 hours a day, seven days a week) for District youth (ages 24 and under) experiencing homelessness, housing instability or in need of a safe place to go. Assists with supportive services including housing, medical and behavioral health services, education services, workforce development, and employment assistance.

Sasha Bruce Youthwork

(202) 675-9340

Website: <https://www.sashabruce.org/>

Services: Drop-in center, emergency shelters for youth (ages 11-17), long-term shelters (transitional living/housing), clothing, tutoring, social services and job assistance for youth (ages 18 and under).

Covenant House Greater Washington

Phone: (202) 610-9600

Website: <https://covenanthousedc.org/>

Services: Emergency shelters for youth (ages 18-24), long-term transitional housing, street outreach, community support services, educational services, vocational job skills programs, mental health services, prevention services and a child development center.

Latin American Youth Center (LAYC)

(202) 319-2225

Website: <https://www.layc-dc.org/>

Services: Youth residential programs, academic programs, job readiness, transitional living programs for homeless and runaway youth, and special programs for LGBTQ identifying youth.

SMYAL (Supporting and Mentoring Youth Advocates and Leaders)

(202) 546-5940

Website: <https://smyal.org/>

Services: Long-term transitional living for LGBTQ youth (ages 18 to 24), case management services, crisis intervention, and community support.

The Wanda Alston Foundation

(202) 465-8794

Website: www.wandaalstonfoundation.org

Services: Long-term transitional living up to 18 months, case management, educational guidance and support, job training and guidance, and support service referrals to homeless or at-risk LGBTQ youth (ages 16 to 24) in all eight wards.

Family Resources: Housing

Virginia Williams Family Resource Center

(202) 526-0017

Website: <https://dhs.dc.gov/page/how-access-short-term-family-housing>

Services: Intake center for emergency shelter, community resources, public benefits and case management.

DC Shelter Hotline:

(202) 399-7093 or 311

Services: Assists individuals and families in need of emergency shelter and/or transportation to emergency shelter sites.

Food Resources:

Bread for the City

(202) 265-2400

Website: <https://breadforthecity.org/>

Services: Food, clothing, medical care, dental care, social services and legal assistance.

Capital Area Food Bank

(202) 644-9800

Website: <https://www.capitalareafoodbank.org/>

Food Bank Network Website (for various resources by zip code): <https://cafb.auntbertha.com/>

Services: Food, nutrition, wellness, farms and gardening.

So Others May Eat (SOME)

(202) 797-8806

Website: <https://www.some.org/>

Services: Food, clothing, and health care.

Thrive DC

(202) 737-9311

Website: <https://www.thrivedc.org/>

Services: Thrive DC serves 200 – 250 homeless and vulnerable individuals every day who turn to us for critical support. Services range from twice daily meals and weekly emergency groceries to assistance finding housing and support finding employment, to connections to legal aid and opportunities for health screenings, to intensive job training and access to computers, laundry and showers.

Various Resources:

AYUDA

(202) 387-4848

Website: <https://www.ayuda.com/>

Services: Immigration law, domestic violence, family law, LGBTQ immigrants, social services, and anti-human trafficking program.

Mary's Center

Main Line: (202) 483-8196

Appointment Line: (844) 796-2797

Website: <https://www.maryscenter.org/>

Services: Medical, dental, behavioral health, education and social services.

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Washington**Emergency Help Resources**

(202) 939-2400

Website: <https://www.catholiccharitiesdc.org/gethelp/our-services/emergency-help/>

Services: Identifies emergency rental and utility assistance, emergency food, shelter and healthcare resources for District residents, immigrants, and their families.

Interfaith Conference of Metropolitan Washington's Emergency Services Directory

Website: <https://ifcmw.org/resources/emergency-services-directory/>

Services: Identifies emergency food, shelter and healthcare services in DC, Maryland and Virginia.

Department of Human Services (DHS) - Strong Families

(202) 698-4293

Website: <https://dhs.dc.gov/service/strong-families>

Services: Case management, social services and referrals for various community and food resources.

District Department of the Environment (DDOE) - DC Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program

(202) 673-6750 or 311

Website: <https://doee.dc.gov/liheap/>

Service: Assists income-eligible District households with heating and cooling energy costs through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

DC Water**Customer Assistance Program**

(202) 350-9649

Website: <https://www.dewater.com/customer-assistance>

Services: Financial assistance programs to help customers with their water bills.

Greater Washington Urban League**Utility and Food Assistance Programs**

(202) 427-4100

Website: <https://www.gwul.org/utility-assistance>

Services: Partners with key utility companies like PEPCO and the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority (WASA) to assist clients who are unable to pay their water, electricity or other utilities.

A Wider Circle

(443) 422-6559

Website: <https://awidercircle.org/>

Services: Basic need items for individuals and families transitioning out of homelessness, fleeing domestic abuse, or otherwise living without the essentials of life (e.g. furniture). Also provides wraparound support, workforce development, professional attire, parenting program for pregnant teens and other wellness programming.

Landlord Tenant Legal Assistance Network

(202) 780-2575

Website: <https://www.lawhelp.org/dc/organization/landlord-tenant-legal-assistance-network?ref=pKATc>

Services: Provides referrals to local legal aid and public interest law offices, general information about legal rights, court forms, self-help information, court information, links to social service agencies, and more in Washington D.C.

HER Resiliency Center

(202) 643-7831

Website: <https://herresiliencycenter.org/>

Services: Serves women ages 18-25, regardless of race, class, and background. HER encapsulates a multilateral, holistic, and individualized approach – which is needed when combating substance use, homelessness, and survival sex. No two situations are identical and HER recognizes recovery, healing, and empowerment is an individualized journey.

Domestic Violence Resources:**Survivor's Advocates for Empowerment (SAFE)**

National Domestic Violence Hotline:

(800) 799-7233 (SAFE)

Spanish Hotline:

(866) 962-5048

Website: <http://dcsafe.org>

Services: Ensures the safety and self-determination for survivors of domestic violence in the Washington, DC area through emergency services, court advocacy and system reform. Assists afterhours and with protective orders at DC Superior Court.

My Sister's Place

Hotline: (202) 529-5991

Website: <https://mysistersplacedc.org>

Services: Domestic violence shelter that offers a full continuum of care from immediate crisis on their 24-hour hotline through transitional-to-permanent housing.

House of Ruth

(202) 667-7001

Website: <https://houseofruth.org>

Services: Supportive housing for families and single women in crisis, therapeutic daycare for homeless children, free counseling services for anyone who's been a victim of domestic violence and other wraparound services.