

FOOD PANTRIES

LOCATIONS

Central Illinois Foodbank

1937 East Cook Street

P.O. Box 8228

Springfield, IL 62703

Telephone: 217-522-4022

FAX: 217-522-6418

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Adams, Bond, Brown, Cass, Christian, Effingham, Fayette, Greene, Jefferson, Logan, Macon, Macoupin, Marion, Menard, Montgomery, Morgan, Pike, Sangamon, Schuyler, Scott and Shelby.

Eastern Illinois Foodbank

2405 North Shore

Urbana, IL 61802

Telephone: 217-328-3663

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Champaign, Clark, Clay, Coles, Crawford, Cumberland, Douglas, Edgar, Ford, Iroquois, Jasper, Moultrie, Piatt, and Vermilion.

Greater Chicago Food Depository

4100 West Ann Lurie Place

Chicago, IL 60632

Telephone: 773-247-3663

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Cook

Northern Illinois Foodbank

273 Dearborn Court

Geneva, IL 60134

Telephone: 630-443-6910

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Boone, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kankakee, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, Ogle, Stephenson, Will and Winnebago.

Peoria Area Foodbank

711 West McBean

Peoria, IL 61605

Telephone: 309-671-3906

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Mason, Peoria and Tazewell Counties.

River Bend Foodbank

4010 Kimmel Drive

Davenport, IA 52802

Telephone: 563-345-6490

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Bureau, Carroll, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Jo Daviess, Knox, LaSalle, Lee, McDonough, Marshall, Mercer, Putnam, Rock Island, Stark, Warren and Whiteside.

St. Louis Area Foodbank

70 Corporate Woods Drive

Bridgeton, MO 63044-3806

Telephone: 314-292-6262

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Calhoun, Clinton, Franklin, Jackson, Jersey, Madison, Monroe, Perry, Randolph, St. Clair, Washington, and Williamson.

Tri-State Foodbank

801 E. Michigan Avenue

Evansville, IN 47711

Telephone: 812-425-0775

Food Assistance for income eligible households in the following counties: Alexander, Edwards, Gallatin, Hamilton, Hardin, Johnson, Lawrence, Massac, Pope, Pulaski, Richland, Saline, Union, Wabash, Wayne, and White.



UTILITY ASSISTANCE

If you are struggling to pay your utility bills, consider the following:

- [ComEd's Smart Meters](#) program. Smart meters are digital electric meters that collect energy-usage information and securely send it to ComEd. In addition to eliminating estimated bills, smart meters give customers access to more information about their electricity usage.
- The [Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program \(LIHEAP\)](#) helps eligible low income households pay for winter energy service.
- [MeterSave](#) is a program offered by the City of Chicago's Department of Water Management (DWM) to non-metered Chicago homeowners to voluntarily install meters to help them save water and lower their water bill.
- [Warm Neighbors, Cool Friends](#) – a collaborative program between Ameren Illinois and the Energy Assistance Foundation that provides moderate income customers and senior citizens with low-cost home weatherization options.
- The [Citizens Utility Board \(CUB\)](#) is a non-profit organization focused entirely on cutting your utility bills. CUB provides guidance to help slash phone, electric and gas bills and assists customers who have complaints against their utility company.

RENTAL ASSISTANCE

- If you're looking for an affordable home to rent, [ILHousingSearch.org](#) is a fast, easy-to-use search tool that lets you look for rental housing using a wide variety of criteria and special mapping features. You'll find color photos and detailed information about each unit. The service also provides links to housing resources and helpful tools such as an affordability calculator, rental checklist and information about renter rights and responsibilities.
- **[Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity](#)**
Help for Illinois Families: Relief for Households Across the State
The Pritzker Administration, in partnership with the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity (DCEO), has launched a new initiative to help Illinois families access and afford home energy assistance and other essential services during COVID-19. Building on the State's Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) and the Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) program, the State's Fiscal Year 2021 (FY 21) budget authorizes an expansion of the LIHEAP and CSBG programs for eligible Illinoisans seeking emergency assistance to cover costs of utility bills, rent, temporary shelter, food, and other household necessities.
- **[Illinois Department of Human Services](#)**
The DHS Customers section can help you find programs, services and information. IDHS can help you meet basic needs, cope with illness, emergencies, or other challenges.
- **Other State Agencies**
 - [Illinois Aging Department](#) 160 N LaSalle Dr, Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-2630
 - [Illinois Department of Children & Family Services](#) Department 100 W Randolph St, Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-6800
 - [Illinois Department of Human Rights \(Charges and Complaints\)](#) 100 W Randolph St, Chicago, IL 60601 (312) 814-6200
 - [Illinois Department of Human Services \(Office of Rehabilitation Services\)](#) 743 N Pulaski Rd, Chicago, IL 60624 (773) 638-3070

EMERGENCY HOUSING

- [American Red Cross](#) 2200 W Harrison St, Chicago, IL 60612 (312) 729-6100
- [Salvation Army](#) 5040 N Pulaski Rd, Chicago, IL 60630 (773) 725-1100 (Chicago) and (847) 294-2000 (outside of Chicago)
- [Illinois Continuum of Care Agencies](https://www.hud.gov/states/illinois/homeless/contincareorgs) <https://www.hud.gov/states/illinois/homeless/contincareorgs>

KNOWING YOUR RIGHTS

If you are facing foreclosure or eviction, it is important to know your rights!

The following non-profit organizations offer free legal advice to low-income persons and all seniors:

- [The Illinois Attorney General's](#) website has a summary of homeowners' rights and lender obligations, as well as a [referral](#) list of non-profit legal clinics, legal programs in law schools, and private law firms throughout the state that provide pro bono (free) legal services for those who cannot afford an attorney.
- [Land of Lincoln Legal Assistance Foundation](#)
- [Catholic Charities Legal Assistance](#)
- [Legal Assistance Foundation of Metropolitan Chicago](#)
- [Prairie State Legal Services](#) – Call 888-966-7757, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. to find out if you are eligible.
- [Illinois Legal Aid](#) – The organization has a series of videos explaining the foreclosure process and how to work with an attorney. To see the videos, [click here](#).
- If you are a renter and your apartment building is in foreclosure, or has been foreclosed, the [Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing](#) provides free legal services, including a toll free helpline at 855-207-8347, representation within Cook County and other resources to help you understand what options may be available to you.
- [Chicago Volunteer Legal Services](#) proudly supports and promote the voluntary pro bono legal representation of the Chicago area's poor and working poor. Their newest service helps homeowners enroll in forbearances. If you need pro bono legal services, please call 312-332-1624 to see if you qualify for their services.

REMEMBER

YOU SHOULD NEVER HAVE TO PAY FOR FORECLOSURE ASSISTANCE!

MORTGAGE ASSISTANCE

Housing counselors can help you understand your options if you are having trouble paying your mortgage. They can communicate with your mortgage lender or servicer on your behalf and help you find legal representation if necessary. Counselors can also help you create a budget to manage your expenses and possibly stay in your home.

ALL HOUSING COUNSELING SERVICES ARE FREE

Find a counselor near you today and begin to get the help you need.



VETERANS ASSISTANCE

- The [U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs](#) provides service members, veterans and eligible surviving spouses with housing assistance that can help you retain, repair or adapt your home.
- The [Interest Rate Reduction Refinance Loan](#), also called the Streamline Refinance Loan, can help you obtain a lower interest rate by refinancing your existing VA loan.
- Additional support is available to help veterans [modify their existing home](#) to account for a disability, [apply for property tax reductions](#) and access [mortgage delinquency assistance](#) for both VA and non-VA loans.



COMMUNITY PARTNERS READY TO ASSIST IN THE APPLICATION PROCESS

A Safe Haven Foundation
2750 W Roosevelt
Chicago, IL 60608
www.asafehaven.org
(773) 435-8300

BEDS Plus Care Inc.
9601 Ogden Ave
La Grange, IL 60525
www.beds-plus.org
(708) 354-0858

Brighton Park Neighborhood Council
4477 S Archer Ave
Chicago, IL 60632
www.bpnccchicago.org
(773) 523-7110

Catholic Charities - Chicago
721 N. LaSalle
Chicago, IL 60304
www.catholiccharities.net
(312) 655-7700

CEDA of Cook County, Inc.
567 West Lake Street
Chicago, IL 60653
www.cedaorg.net
(312) 288-8010

Center for Changing Lives
1955 N Saint Louis Ave
Chicago, IL 60647-2049
www.cclconnect.org
(773) 342-6210

Center of Concern
1665 Elk Blvd.
Des Plaines, IL 60016
www.centerofconcern.org
(847) 823-0453

Chicago Volunteer Legal Services
33 North Dearborn, Suite 400
Chicago, IL 60602
www.cvl.org
(312) 332-1624

Community Investment Corp Decatur
1059 W Main St
Decatur, IL 62522
www.cicdecatur.com
(217) 423-0352

Community Partners Affordable Hsg
800 South Milwaukee Avenue
Libertyville, IL 60048
www.cphousing.org
(847) 263-7478

Connections for the Homeless
2121 Dewey Ave
Evanston, IL 60201
www.connect2home.org
(847) 475-7070

Consumer Credit Counseling Serv ...
13707 W Jackson Street
Woodstock, IL 60098
www.illinoiscccs.org
(815) 338-5757

Duane Dean Behavioral Health Ctr
700 E. Court Street
Kankakee, IL 60901
www.duanedean.org
(815) 939-0125

Embarras River Basin Agency, Inc.
400 W. Pleasant Street
Greenup, IL 62428
www.erbainc.org
(217) 923-3113

Family Service Agency of DeKalb.
1325 Sycamore Road
DeKalb, IL 60115
www.fsadekalbcounty.org
(815) 758-8616

Far South CDC
837 W 115th Street
Chicago, IL 60643
www.farsouthcdc.org
(773) 941-4833

Genesis Housing Development Corp
7735 S. Vernon
Chicago, IL 60619
www.genesisghdc.org
(773) 994-6670 x203

Great Lakes Credit Union
1011 West Lawrence Avenue
Chicago, IL 60640
www.glcu.org
(224) 252-2620

Greater Chicago Legal Clinic, Inc
211 W. Wacker Drive
Chicago, IL 60606
www.clclaw.org
(312) 726-2938

Habitat for Humanity - Champaign
119 E. University
Champaign, IL 61820
www.cuhabitat.org
(217) 359-0507

HANA Center
4300 North California Avenue
Chicago, IL 60618
www.hanacenter.org
(773) 583-5501

Holsten Human Capital Dev
1311 N Halsted St
Chicago, IL 60610
www.hhcd.org
(312) 274-9144

Housing Opportunities for Women
1607 W. Howard Street
Chicago, IL 60626
www.how-inc.org
(773) 465-5770

Justine Petersen Housing &...
1023 N Grand Blvd.
Saint Louis, MO 63106
www.justinepetersen.org
(314) 533-2411

La Casa Norte
3533 W. North Avenue
Chicago, IL 60647
www.lacasanorte.org
(773) 276-4900

Lake Cnty Crisis Ctr - A Safe Place
2710 17th St.
Zion, IL 60099
www.asafeplaceforhelp.org
(847) 731-7165

Lake County Housing Authority
33928 N US HIGHWAY 45
GRAYSLAKE, IL 60030-1714
www.lakecountyha.org
(847) 223-1170

Latin United Community Housing...
3541 W North Avenue
Chicago, IL 60647
www.lucha.org
(773) 489-8484

Lawyers' Cmt for Better Housing
33 N La Salle St Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60602
www.lcbh.org
(312) 347-7600

METEC
2605 W Krause Ave
Peoria, IL 61605
www.metechrc.org
(309) 676-3832

Metropolitan Tenants Organization
1727 S. Indiana #G03
Chicago, IL 60622
www.tenants-righs.org
(773) 292-4980

Navicore Solutions
416 Main Street
Peoria, IL 61602
www.navicoresolutions.org
(866) 472-4557

Neighborhood Housing Serv-Chgo.
1279 N. Milwaukee Avenue
Chicago, IL 60622
www.nhschicago.org
(773) 329-4111

Northside Community Dev Corp
1530 W. Morse Ave
Chicago, IL 60626
www.northsidecdc.org
(773) 262-2290 Ext. 714

Northwest Compass, Inc
1300 West Northwest Highway
Mount Prospect, IL 60056
www.northwestcompass.org
(847) 392-2344

Northwest Side Housing Center
5233 W Diversey Ave.
Chicago, IL 60639
www.nwshc.org
(773) 283-3888

NW HomeStart, Inc
803 N Church St
Rockford, IL 61103
www.nwhomestart.org
(815) 962-2011

Oak Park Regional Housing Center
5934 W. Lake St.
Chicago, IL 60644
www.oprhc.org
(773) 887-5187

Open Communities
922 Davis Street
Evanston, IL 60201
www.open-communities.org
(847) 501-5760

Partners in Comm Building/YWCA
56 E 47th St
Chicago, IL 60653
www.picbchicago.org
(312) 328-0873

Puerto Rican Cultural Center
2546 W. Division Street
Chicago, IL 60622
www.prcc-chgo.org
(773) 394-4935

Respond Now
1439 Emerald
Chicago Heights, IL 60411
www.respondnow.org
(708) 755-4357

Restoration America
86 N. Williams St
Crystal Lake, IL 60014
www.restorationamerica.org
(847) 783-0232

Rock Island Economic Growth Corp
100 19th Street
Rock Island, IL 61201
www.economicgrowthcorporation.com
(309) 788-6311

South Side Community FCU
5401 S. Wentworth Ave.
Chicago, IL 60609
www.southsidecommunityfcu.org
(773) 548-5500

South Suburban Housing Center
18220 Harwood Avenue
Homewood, IL 60430
www.southsuburbanhousingcenter.org
(708) 957-4674

Spanish Coalition for Housing
1922 N. Pulaski Road
Chicago, IL 60639
www.sc4housing.org
(773) 342-7575

Starved Rock Country Comm Fndtn
241 Marquette St.
LaSalle, IL 61301
www.srccf.org
(815) 252-2906

The Link & Option Center, Inc.
900 E. 162nd Street
South Holland, IL 60473
www.link-option.com
(708) 331-8111

The Neighbor Project
32 South Broadway
Aurora, IL 60505
www.neighborproject.us
(630) 906-9400

The Resurrection Project
1805 South Paulina Avenue
Chicago, IL 60608
www.resurrectionproject.org
(312) 666-1323

The Salvation Army
20 Glory Place
Belleville, IL 62226
www.salarmymidland.org
(618) 235-7378

Thornton Township Foundation
333 E. 162nd St
South Holland, IL 60473
www.thorntontownship.org
(708) 985-3217

Total Resource Community Dev Org
1415 West 104th Street
Chicago, IL 60643
www.totalresourcecco.com
(773) 881-0761

Two Rivers Regional Cncl - Public...
107 N 3RD St
Quincy, IL 62301-2969
www.trrcopo.org
(217) 224-8171

Western Egyptian Econ Opp Cncl
#1 Industrial Park
Steeleville, IL 62288
www.weeoc.org
(618) 965-3458

Will County Center -Comm Concerns
2455 Glenwood Ave
Joliet, IL 60435
www.WCCCC.org
(815) 722-0722

Questions? (312) 883-2720 -or- (888) 252-1119