

# Nashville Housing & Related Assistance



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Note: Although this list is updated periodically, agency hours of operation, locations and other details may change, so it is important to call the resource to get the most recent information.

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For additional information, please contact Metropolitan Social Services – Planning & Coordination at [MSSPC@nashville.gov](mailto:MSSPC@nashville.gov) or call 615-862-6375.

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## **HOUSING INFORMATION & REFERRAL**

### **Tennessee 2-1-1**

For information about community services in Middle Tennessee, such as healthcare, food & financial assistance, counseling, and legal services dial 2 1 1. Callers can also get information about volunteer opportunities and making donations. 24 hours/ 7 days a week; multilingual available

### **Aging & Disability Resource Connection**

(615) 255-1010; Toll-Free 1-877-973-6467

Information specialists with large database of programs for older adults and people with disabilities; 7 days a week, 24 hours a day

### **Council on Aging of Greater Nashville**

(615) 353-4235

Publishes the Directory of Services for Seniors and maintains the online Directory of Services for Seniors at [www.councilonaging-midtn.org](http://www.councilonaging-midtn.org)

### **Metro Social Services Intake & Assessment**

(615) 862-6458

Identifies the needs of customers to link them with services

## **HOUSING DISCRIMINATION**

Tennessee Fair Housing Council

107 Music City Circle, Suite 318

Nashville, TN 37204

(615) 874-2344

[www.tennfairhousing.org](http://www.tennfairhousing.org)

Education and legal help for people who experience housing discrimination when buying or renting a home, getting a loan, or trying to buy homeowners' insurance. Types of counseling: Homebuyer Education, Pre- and Post-Purchase Counseling, Predatory Lending, *etc.*

## **HOUSING FINANCIAL HELP**

**Big Brothers of Nashville, Inc.**

(615) 269-6835; Fax: (615) 269-9187

Hours Open: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Emergency financial assistance with past due rent, utility bills, medicine, clothing, or food.

**Metro Action Commission**

(615) 862-8860

Community Services Division provides help with rent and utility payments and housing deposits for homeless residents, prescription assistance; help with minor home repairs and delinquent property taxes are available to senior citizens age 65 years and older. The Metro Action office is located at 1624 5th Avenue North. Download application for service from [www.nashville.gov/mac](http://www.nashville.gov/mac)

**Metro Trustee's Office**

(615) 862-6330; Fax: (615) 862-6337

e-mail: [trustee@nashville.gov](mailto:trustee@nashville.gov)

<http://www.nashville.gov/trustee/>

Administers the State of Tennessee Property Tax Relief Program, Property Tax Deferral Program, and the Property Tax Freeze Program for seniors

**Room In The Inn**

(615) 251-9791

Clothing vouchers, utilities, financial, prescriptions and homeless shelter. M-F 8:30-Noon & 1:00-4:00 p.m.

**Catholic Charities North Nashville - Assumption/St. Vincent Outreach**

(615) 242-1554

Food, utilities, financial, clothing, case management for zips 37203, 37208, 37209, 37228. M-F, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

**Ladies of Charity**

(615) 327-3453

Food, clothing, and financial assistance including funerals, utilities, and MDHA housing rent. Call in advance. Referral by social worker needed for food. M-F, 8:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. & 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

**Salvation Army**

Nashville Area Command

631 Dickerson Road

(615) 242-0411

Transitional Housing, Red Shield Men's Lodge, Life Skills Learning

**GOVERNMENT SUBSIDIZED PUBLIC HOUSING**

Nashville's Public Housing Agency (MDHA) builds and manages low-income housing units, and provides rental assistance for other housing in the community.

Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency (MDHA)

Street Address: 701 South Sixth Street

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 846, Nashville, Tennessee 37202

Telephone: (615) 252-8400  
[www.nashville.gov/mdha](http://www.nashville.gov/mdha)

### **Who Can Get Public Housing ?**

- People who qualify as a family or single person, or as an elderly, disabled, handicapped or displaced person
- No recent criminal record
- No bad landlord reference report
- Not be over income limits (varies depending on family size)

Special Conditions for Non-Traditional Housing (for example, housing for people recovering from drugs or alcohol addiction):

- Be employed for at least 1 year, or be receiving income from a regular source
- Be able to get utilities in your own name
- Sign a contract and participate in a self-sufficiency program. This contract is part of the lease
- All household members 18 years of age and older must be employed, in school, or in a training program or be exempted because of age or physical or mental impairment

### **How to Apply for Public Housing**

Go to the Property Manager's office at the public housing where you want to live – You must apply in person. If you are not sure where you want to live you should apply at the property nearest to you. You can pick a second and third choice when you apply.

Hours for accepting applications may be different at each housing development, so you should contact the place you're interested in for specific information on vacancies, locations and hours of operation. Bring the following information for you and everyone who will be living with you:

- Birth Certificate
- Social Security Card
- I-94 form if born outside of the U.S.A.
- Picture ID of all household member 18 or age and older
- Proof of Income, Checking and Savings Accounts
- Proof of any asset, for example, Life insurance with cash value, stocks, bonds, retirement 401 K, etc.

### **PUBLIC HOUSING PROPERTIES** (apartments, duplexes, houses& high-rises):

#### North

J. Henry Hale Apartments  
1433 Jo Johnston Avenue, 37203  
252-3667

Hadley Park Towers  
(elderly & disabled people only)

2901 John A. Merritt Boulevard, 37209  
252-3724

Cheatham Place  
1564 9th Avenue North, 37208  
252-3691

Andrew Jackson Courts  
1457 Jackson Street, 37208  
252-3708

Cumberland View  
2316 25th Avenue North, 37208  
252-3720

Madison Towers (elderly & disabled people only)  
591 North Dupont Avenue, 37115  
252-3728

East

Cayce Place  
701 South 7th Street, 37206  
252-2280

Parkway Terrace  
192 North 7th Street, 37206  
252-3737

Edgefield Manor (elderly people only)  
525 Shelby Avenue, 37206  
252-3713

Levy Place  
303 Foster Street, 37207  
252-3674

South

Napier Place  
648 Claiborne Street, 37210  
252-2288

Sudekum Apartments  
101 University Court, 37210  
252-3660

Edgehill Apartments  
1277 12th Avenue South, 37203  
252-2294

Gernert Studio Apartments  
(elderly people only)  
1101 Edgehill Avenue, 37203  
252-3717

Vine Hill Studio Apartments  
(elderly & disabled people only)  
625 Benton Avenue, 37204  
252-3686

Neighborhood Housing, 37203  
1201 Hawkins Street  
252-3740

Vine Hill Hope Apartments  
601 Benton Avenue, 37204  
252-5205

West

Historic Preston Taylor Apartments  
3900 Clifton Road, 37209  
252-3680

Parthenon Towers  
(elderly & disabled people only)  
301 28th Avenue North, 37203  
252-3732

Carleen Batson Waller Manor  
(elderly people only)  
106 31st Avenue South, 37212  
252-3734

**MDHA Neighborhood Housing (Scattered Sites)**

Office: 1201 Hawkins St.  
Nashville, TN 37203  
252-3740 ext. 115

**Have Questions about Public Housing ?** For more information, call:

- General Information (615) 252-8400
- Resident Associations (615) 252-3698, ext. 2
- Resident Safety Hotline (615) 252-8406

## **SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE**

MDHA administers the federally-funded *Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher* and *Moderate Rehabilitation Programs*, which help families find decent, safe and sanitary housing in the private market and to help those families with the cost of rent and utilities. Property in this program must meet Nashville and HUD quality standards. Participating dwelling units must pass a Housing Quality Standards inspection conducted by the MDHA.

Under these programs the family pays 30% to 40% of adjusted income or a minimum of \$50.00 per month for rent and utilities, and MDHA pays the difference.

Special Section 8 programs include the *Family Unification Program*, where assistance is given to those families who have had or are facing their children being removed from the home where lack of suitable housing is the primary reason for the removal of the children; and the *Family Self-Sufficiency Program*, where people are linked to services with the goal of becoming free of all governmental assistance.

**Have Questions about Section 8 Rental Assistance ?** For more information, contact:

MDHA Rental Assistance Department

Office: 620 Dew St., Nashville, TN 37206

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 846, Nashville, TN 37206

Telephone: (615) 252-6500

TDD: (615) 252-8599

EMAIL: [Section8@nashville-mdha.org](mailto:Section8@nashville-mdha.org)

[www.nashville.gov/mdha/rental\\_assistance](http://www.nashville.gov/mdha/rental_assistance)

## **OTHER SUBSIDIZED HOUSING**

Some subsidized housing is not part of MDHA's programs because they participate in their own federally-funded rental assistance program through the U. S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). A list for Davidson County can be found on the HUD web site:

[http://www.hud.gov/apps/section8/results.cfm?city\\_name\\_text=&county\\_name\\_text=Davidson&zip\\_code=&property\\_name\\_text=&client\\_group\\_type=&maxrec=20&state\\_code=TN&statename=Tennessee](http://www.hud.gov/apps/section8/results.cfm?city_name_text=&county_name_text=Davidson&zip_code=&property_name_text=&client_group_type=&maxrec=20&state_code=TN&statename=Tennessee)

U. S. Dept. of Housing & Urban Development (HUD)

235 Cumberland Bend Suite 200

Nashville, TN 37228-1803

(615) 736-5600

Office Hours: M-F, 7:45 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.

Rental Help: [www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tn&topic=renting](http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tn&topic=renting)

Home Ownership Information:

[www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tn&topic=homeownership](http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=tn&topic=homeownership)

## COMMUNITY HOUSING RESOURCES

Affordable Housing Resources, Inc.  
1011 Cherry Avenue  
Nashville 37203  
(615) 251-0025

[www.ahrhousing.org](http://www.ahrhousing.org)

Hours: M-TH, 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. & Fri. 8:30a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Provides home-ownership counseling; mortgage prequalifying; down-payment and closing-cost loans; and single-family home development. Works with very-low-income customers through a lease-to-purchase program. Other services include crime-watch awareness; community days; youth job programs; and youth academic testing programs. Also participates in a Voucher Homeownership Program that allows Section 8 recipients to use monthly income vouchers toward purchasing a home.

Citizens for Affordable Housing  
1719 West End Ave Suite 322W  
Nashville, TN 37203-5120

[www.cfahi.gobot.com](http://www.cfahi.gobot.com)

Pre-purchase Counseling, etc.

Conexión Americas  
800 18th Ave South, Suite A  
Nashville, TN 37203  
(615) 320-5152

[www.conamericas.com](http://www.conamericas.com)

Provides assistance with financial planning, budgeting, home buying process information, and taxpayer education. Homebuyer education and down payment assistance for undocumented individuals without a social security number.

Fifteenth Avenue Baptist Community Development Corporation  
and the North Nashville Community Development Corporation  
(615) 256-4329 ext. 104

[www.fabcdc.org](http://www.fabcdc.org)

Low-income housing and retail space at 942 Jefferson Street.

The Housing Fund  
305 11th Ave. South  
Nashville, TN 37203  
(615) 780-7000

[www.nashvillehousingfund.org](http://www.nashvillehousingfund.org)

Counseling & help for first-time home buyers – Evaluating credit reports and referral to home buying assistance.

New Level Community Development Corporation  
1112 Jefferson Street  
Nashville, TN 37208  
(615) 627-0347

Homebuyer education classes are offered; pre-purchase counseling is also available.

Residential Resources, Inc.  
604 Gallatin Road  
Nashville, TN 37206  
(615 ) 650-9779  
Email: [RRIHOME@aol.com](mailto:RRIHOME@aol.com)

Housing Counseling: Home Improvement & Rehabilitation Counseling, Homebuyer Education, Pre- and Post- Purchase Counseling, Predatory Lending, *etc.*

CCCS OF THE MIDWEST  
3931 Gallatin Road  
Nashville, TN 37216-0328  
Phone: (615) 777-3405  
Toll-Free: 800-355-2227  
Website: <http://www.cccservices.com/home.asp>

Types of Counseling: HECM Counseling, Homebuyer Education, Mortgage Delinquency, Pre- and Post-Purchase Counseling, *etc.*

Senior Housing Information  
Tennessee Association of Homes and Services for the Aging  
500 Interstate Blvd South, Suite 325  
Nashville, TN 37210  
(615) 256-1800

Programs that maintain information about retirement residences, residential care facilities and nursing homes, and link older adults who are looking for an alternative to nursing homes.

Victory Housing Counseling Center  
3203 Brick Church Pike  
Nashville, TN 37207  
(615) 228-6840 ext. 101  
Email: [willisg@realtracs.com](mailto:willisg@realtracs.com)

Types of Counseling: Home Equity Conversion [reverse] Mortgage Counseling, Homebuyer Education, Pre- and Post-Purchase Counseling, *etc.*

Welcome Home Works  
Welcome Home Ministries  
P.O. Box 100183  
Nashville, TN 37224

(615) 309-7087

Designed to help men in recovery who live in any transitional housing, and who are employed and ready for permanent housing.

Woodbine Community Organization  
222 Oriel Avenue, 37210  
(615) 833-9580  
[www.woodbinecommunity.org](http://www.woodbinecommunity.org)

A HUD approved, non-profit housing counseling agency; provides pre-purchase, Reverse Mortgage, and Mortgage Default & Loss Mitigation counseling. Specializes in helping homeowners experiencing financial difficulty save their homes. Homebuyer Classes to help people with obstacles to homeownership. Rental Counseling. Four Senior Living Centers provide housing for low-income senior citizens and individuals with disabilities.

## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER AND ASSISTANCE**

Bridges Shelter.....	599-5777
Gallatin Home Safe Shelter.....	452-4315
Morning Star Sanctuary Shelter.....	860-0003
Springfield Home Safe Shelter.....	382-0829
Ujima House Shelter Hotline.....	227-0902
YWCA Domestic Violence Shelter 24 Hours.....	242-1199
Domestic Violence Intervention Center (PEACE).....	255-0711
Family & Children Services.....	327-0833
Mary Parish Center.....	256-5959
Metro Police Domestic Violence (they provide referrals only).....	880-3000
Rape and Sexual Abuse Center.....	374-9077
24-hour Hotline.....	825-4357
TN Coalition Against Sexual & Domestic Violence.....	386-9406

## **HOME REPAIR-RELATED SERVICES**

**Metropolitan Development & Housing Agency (MDHA)**  
(615) 252-8400; FAX (615) 252-3677

Helps homeowners with federally-funded loans and grants which are used for home improvement.

**Emergency Repair Program for the Elderly –  
TN Housing & Development Agency & Greater Nashville Regional Council**

(615) 255-1010; toll-free 1-877-973-1705

**Rebuilding Together Nashville**

(615) 259-3712

[www.rebuildingtogether.org](http://www.rebuildingtogether.org)

Mission is to preserve and revitalize houses, so low-income homeowners can live in warmth and independence. All repairs are free to homeowners.

**St. Luke's Community House**

(615) 350-7893

For residents of zip code 37209. West Nashville Community Development Partnership provides minor seasonal home repair, wheel chair ramps and stair rails for elderly or disabled residents or low-income families with children.

**United Cerebral Palsy of Middle Tennessee**

(615) 242-4091

Home Access Program builds wheelchair ramps for low-income disabled residents

**HOMELESS HOUSING**

**TRANSITIONAL HOUSING**

- Buffalo Valley ..... 1-800-447-2766
- Galaxy Star Heavenly House (M-F 9-5) ..... 262-0136
- 24-Hour Emergency Services (Galaxy Star) ..... 589-8984
- For men & women with 30 days sobriety
- Hope Center (Recovery Program for Women) ..... 312-1580
- 1716 8th Avenue North
- House of Mercy (for addicted mothers in recovery and their children) ..... 385-7686
- 6 Matthew 25..... 383-9577
- 625 Benton Avenue
- 3 Nashville Rescue Mission ..... 255-2475
- 639 Lafayette Street, 37203
- The Lodging Place (For men who have completed a qualified recovery program)
- Anchor Home (Recovery program for men 17-26)
- Barnabas House (Recovery program for men)
- The Next Door ..... 251-8805
- 128 8th Avenue South
- (Residential transition center for women re-entering society from incarceration, treatment centers and homelessness)
- Oasis Center (Ages 17-21)..... 327-4455
- 1704 Charlotte Avenue, Suite 200

Operation Stand Down Nashville, Inc. (Veterans) .....	248-1981
1101 Edgehill Avenue	
Park Center (Safe Havens) .....	228-9254
950 West Eastland Avenue	
Persons with Mental Illness	
Re-Entry Recovery Residence (men and women) .....	754-8977
Renewal House .....	255-5222 ext 112
Residential recovery program for substance-addicted women and their children	
Salvation Army .....	242-0411
631 Dickerson Road	
For families and unaccompanied women	
Street Works (HIV/AIDS) Drop In/Counseling Centers	
83 University Court.....	248-1905
520 Sylvan Street.....	259-7676
24 Hour Help Line .....	259-7676
TLC Housing .....	593-7074
Recovery housing for men and women	
Welcome Home Ministries.....	309-7087

**PERMANENT HOUSING**

Park Center (Persons with Mental Illness) .....	242-3576
801 12th Avenue South	
Urban Housing Solutions.....	726-2696, ext. 118

**HOUSING HELP FOR EX-OFFENDERS**

Dismas House (For Male Ex-Offenders) .....	297-9287
1513 16th Avenue South	
H.U.G.G.S, Inc. (For Male and Female Ex-Offenders) .....	248-8844
1215 9th Avenue North	
The Next Door (For Females) .....	251-8805
(Residential transition center for women re-entering society from incarceration, treatment centers and homelessness)	
128 8th Avenue South	
Project Return (For Male and Female Ex-Offenders) .....	327-9654
1200 Division Street, #200	

**HELP for HOMELESS CHILDREN**

HERO Program at Metro Nashville Schools.....	259-8729
Services to families with school-age children	