



Quick Start Housing and Services Information for

## Berks County

This information is provided through a partnership with PHFA and the Regional Housing Coordinator Program of the Self-Determination Housing Project. It is designed to help individuals identify and contact local resources to help with housing and services issues. Updates or corrections may be provided to your local Regional Housing Coordinator (listed below).

### FREE to search FREE to List local housing in PA



## LOCAL HOUSING Provider Contact Information

### Regional Housing Coordinator Manager

RHCs work with state agencies, service providers, and housing professionals to improve access to housing for people with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians.

### Inglis Self-Determination Housing of PA

Email: [SDHPInfo@inglis.org](mailto:SDHPInfo@inglis.org)  
Information & Referral Request  
[www.Inglis.org](http://www.Inglis.org)

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### Access Modification Program:

This program provides resources to enable eligible persons with disabilities make their home more accessible.

ACCESS Home Modification Assistance

[Home Improvement & Repair Loans \(phfa.org\)](http://phfa.org)

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### Builders Association:

Voluntary association of area builders; may have housing information or contacts for developers.

### Home Builders Association of Berks County

2907 Mannerchor Rd.  
Temple, PA 19560  
(610) 777-8889  
Info@HBABerks.org  
<https://hbaberks.org>

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### Fair Housing Resources:

U.S., PA and local organizations offer info about fair housing and respond to complaints.

**PA Human Relations Commission (717) 787-9780**

<https://www.phrc.pa.gov/Pages/default.asp>  
<https://pagdc.powerappsportals.us/PHRC/Contact/>

### **HUD Fair Housing Enforcement**

Philadelphia Office: 888.799.2085

**Habitat for Humanity**

Organization builds “simple, decent, and affordable” housing using volunteer labor and supplies. Houses are sold at no profit.

**Habitat for Humanity of Berks County**

201 Washington St, Suite 329  
Reading, PA 19602  
[info@habitatberks.org](mailto:info@habitatberks.org)  
Ph: 610.373.3439 Website: [www.habitatberks.org](http://www.habitatberks.org)

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**Housing Coalition or Local Housing Options Team:**

Coalitions of housing and service providers organized to resolve local housing issues, including housing for people with disabilities.

**Berks Coalition to End Homelessness**

600 Penn St, Reading, PA 19602  
Third Floor  
(610) 372-7222  
[info@bceh.org](mailto:info@bceh.org)  
<https://bceh.org/contact/>  
<https://bceh.org/agency-support/coc-membership/>

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**Housing Trust Fund:**

Potential local source of funds for affordable housing. Funds are distributed as follows: board reviews and approves.

**Greater Reading Chamber Alliance**

606 Court Street  
Reading, PA 19601  
(610) 376-6766  
[info@GreaterReading.org](mailto:info@GreaterReading.org)  
<https://greaterreading.org/contact-us/>  
<https://business.greaterreading.org/list/member/redevelopment-authority-of-the-county-of-berks-12918>

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**Landlord Association:**

Voluntary association of area landlords may offer information about available rentals.

**Real Estate Investors of Berks County, Inc.**

PO Box 13892  
Reading, PA 19612  
610-376-2923  
[http://reiaberks.com/?page\\_id=53](http://reiaberks.com/?page_id=53)  
<http://reiaberks.com/>

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**Public Housing Authority:**

Housing authorities in PA are operated at the county or local level. Most offer low-income, public housing units and vouchers to subsidize rent for eligible households.

**Berks County Housing Authority**

1803 Butter Lane  
Reading, PA 19606  
[contact@berksha.org](mailto:contact@berksha.org)  
Ph: 610.370.0822 Website: [www.berksha.org](http://www.berksha.org)

**Reading Housing Authority**

400 Hancock Blvd.  
Reading, PA 19611  
[info@readingha.org](mailto:info@readingha.org)  
610-775-4813  
Website: [www.readingha.org](http://www.readingha.org)

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**Rural Housing Office:**

USDA Rural Housing Service operates rental housing, home purchase/repair loans, and other housing programs.

**Pennsylvania Rural Development State Office**

359 East Park Drive, Suite 4  
Harrisburg, PA 17111  
(717) 237-2299

## Local Service Provider Contact Information

### **Local Lead Agency:**

PHFA encourages housing providers to partner with these Local Lead Agencies to establish a referral system for targeted rental units. LLAs serve as a clearinghouse to provide qualified referrals for available units in a timely fashion.

### **Services Access and Management, Inc (SAM)**

Lorena Keely  
[lkeely@sam-inc.org](mailto:lkeely@sam-inc.org)  
Ph: 610.468.7270

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### **Aging and Disability Resource Centers**

#### **(ADRCs)**

ADRCs (also called LINKs) promote communication and training for agencies working with older adults and adults with disabilities.

### **PA Link to Aging and Disability Resource Center**

Felicia Trupp  
(610) 207-1420  
[ftropp@berksencore.org](mailto:ftropp@berksencore.org)

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### **Area Agency on Aging**

AAAs provide info and services for older adults and their caregivers. Services vary by agency.

### **Berks County AAA**

633 Court St., 8th Floor  
Reading, PA 19601  
[aging@countyofberks.com](mailto:aging@countyofberks.com)  
Ph: 610.478.6500  
Website: [www.co.berks.pa.us/aging](http://www.co.berks.pa.us/aging)

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### **Arc**

Arc works to include all children and adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities, working for inclusion in every community.

### **The Arc Alliance**

3075 Ridge Pike  
Eagleview, PA 19403  
610-265-4700  
<https://thearcalliance.org/contact-us/>  
<https://thearcalliance.org/>

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### **Center for Independent Living (CIL)**

Each CIL provides 4 core services, including advocacy, information, and referral, peer mentoring, and independent living skills.

### **Abilities in Motion**

210 N. 5th St.  
Reading, PA 19601  
[aimes@abilitiesinmotion.org](mailto:aimes@abilitiesinmotion.org)  
Ph: 1.888.376.0120  
Website: [www.abilitiesinmotion.org](http://www.abilitiesinmotion.org)

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### **Community Action Agency**

Community Action Agencies help individuals and families work toward self-sufficiency while strengthening communities.

### **Berks Community Action Program, Inc**

645 Penn St, 3rd Floor  
Reading, PA 19601  
[info@bcapberks.org](mailto:info@bcapberks.org)  
Website: [www.bcapberks.org](http://www.bcapberks.org)  
Ph: 610-376-6571

**Mental Health—Housing Specialist**

The MH Housing Specialist provides housing support so peoples with mental illness and co-occurring disorders can be integrated into community living.

**Service Access & Management, Inc**

19 North 6th Street, Suite 300  
Reading, PA 19601  
610-236-0530 or 877-236-4600  
housingassistance@sam-inc.org  
<https://sam-inc.org/>

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**Homelessness Prevention Agency**

This agency provides case management, rental assistance, and transitional/emergency housing.

**Berks Coalition to End Homelessness**

600 Penn St, Reading, PA 19602  
Third Floor  
(610) 372-7222  
info@bceh.org  
<https://bceh.org/contact/>

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**Nursing Home Transition Team**

A collaborative effort using federal, state, and local resources and partnerships to move people from nursing homes back to their community or to help keep people in their community.

Office of Long-Term Living  
Helpline- 1-800-833-5196  
Website: [OLTL](#)

To contact a local Nursing Home Transition Coordination Agency, visit the DHS Nursing Home Transition website using the link to the right. Scroll down to the section titled “Transition Preparation” to access the list of Nursing Home Transition Coordination Agencies.

If not enrolled in managed long-term care: Acentra Health  
Website: [PA Nursing Home Transition](#)  
PANursingHomeTransition@acentra.com  
888-204-8781

**PA Office of Long Term Living**

Rachel Sink  
[ra-pwnhtinfo@pa.gov](mailto:ra-pwnhtinfo@pa.gov)  
Ph: 1.800.833.5196

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**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

OVR helps people with disabilities achieve employment and independence.

**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

3602 Kutztown Rd., Suite 200  
Reading, PA 19605  
Ph: 610.621.5800 Website: [www.dli.state.pa.us](http://www.dli.state.pa.us)

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**United Way**

Services vary in each community and typically include fund-raising, information, and referral.

**United Way of Berks County**

25 N. 2nd Street, Suite 101  
Reading, PA 19601  
610-685-4550  
unitedway@uwberks.org  
<https://www.uwberks.org/>

### **VA Homeless Services**

Benefits include an array of services to help veterans live as independently as possible including transition, case management, rehabilitation, and income supports.

### **Veterans Multi-Service Center**

645 Penn Street, Suite B  
Reading, PA 19601  
610-314-4741

<https://www.vmcenter.org/>

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### **Medicaid – HealthChoices**

HealthChoices is the name of Pennsylvania’s managed care programs for Medical Assistance recipients. There are three programs: Physical HealthChoices, Behavioral HealthChoices, and Community HealthChoices. Each offers quality medical care for your physical health, behavioral health, or your long-term support needs. For more information, please use the link to the right.

Website:

<https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/dhs/resources/medicaid.html>

### **Medicaid – Waiver Information**

Waivers are part of Pennsylvania’s Medicaid program and provide supports and services to help people to live in their communities instead of a facility like a nursing home. For more information, please use the link to the right.

Website:

<https://www.pa.gov/en/agencies/dhs/resources/medicaid/waivers.html>