



Quick Start Housing and
Services Information for

Lehigh 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).

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LOCAL HOUSING Provider Contact Information

Regional Housing Coordinator Program:

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 Pennsylvania

SDHPInfo@inglis.org
[Information and Referral Request](#)
www.inglis.org

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 \(phfa.org\)](#)

Builders Association:

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

Lehigh Valley Builders Association

Charles Hamilton
1524 Linden St., 3rd Floor Allentown, PA 18102
lvba@lvba.org
Ph: 610.432.4101
Website: www.lvba.org

Fair Housing Resources:

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

PA Human Relations Commission

Harrisburg Office: 717.787.0784
Website: www.phrc.state.pa.us

HUD Fair Housing Enforcement

Philadelphia Office: 888.799.2085

Housing Equality Center of Pennsylvania

PO Box 558
Fort Washington, PA 19034
info@equalhousing.org
Ph: 267.419.8918 Website: www.equalhousing.org

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 the Lehigh Valley

245 N. Graham St.
Allentown, PA 18109
info@habitatlehighvalley.org
Ph: 610.776.7737 Website: www.habitatlv.org

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.

Disability Friendly Community Lehigh Valley

Bob Wittman
bob4dfc@ptd.net
Website: www.dfclv.org/committees/housing-accessibility/

Housing Trust Fund:

Potential local source of funds for affordable housing. Funds are distributed as follows: formula distribution

County of Lehigh

17 South 7th St.
Allentown, PA 18101
Ph: 610.782.3001
virginiahaas@lehighcounty.org

Landlord Association:

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

None

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.

Lehigh County Housing Authority

120 North 3rd St.
Emmaus, PA 18409
Ph: 610.433.2312
Website: www.lehighcountyha.org

Allentown Housing Authority

1339 W. Allen St.
Allentown, PA 18102
Ph: 610.439.8678
Website: www.allentownhousing.org

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
pasfh@usda.gov

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

DHS Administrative Services & HealthChoices

Kay L. Achenbach
(610) 782-3475
kayachenbach@lehighcounty.org

Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)

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

Lehigh & Northampton County LINK

Jessica Yaich
(610) 782-3096
jessicayaich@lehighcounty.org

Area Agency on Aging

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

Lehigh County AAA

17 S. Seventh St., Room 230
Allentown, PA 18101
agingandadult@lehighcounty.org
Ph: 610.782.3034

Arc

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

Arc of Lehigh and Northampton Counties

2289 Avenue A
Bethlehem, PA 18017
kgrady@arcofl-n.org
Ph: 610.849.8076 Website: www.arcofl-n.org

Center for Independent Living (CIL)

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

Lehigh Valley Center for Independent Living

713 North 13th St.
Allentown, PA 18102
info@lvcil.org
Ph: 610.770.9781 Website: www.lvcil.org

Community Action Agency

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

Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley, Inc.

1337 E. Fifth St.
Bethlehem, PA 18015
ajennings@cadv.org
Ph: 610.691.5620

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.

Mental Health Clearinghouse

clearinghouse@lehighchurches.org
Ph: 610.439.8653

Homelessness Prevention Agency

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

Lehigh Conference of Churches

457 W. Allen St.
Allentown, PA 18102
info@lehighchurches.org
Ph: 610.433.6421
Website: www.lehighchurches.org

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.

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.

Department of Human Services

Rachel Sink
Forum Place - 6th Floor, PO Box 8025
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Ph: 800.833.5196
Website: www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativetonursinghomes/nht

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

OVR helps people with disabilities achieve employment and independence.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

45 N. Fourth St.
Allentown, PA 18102
Ph: 610.821.6441 Website: www.dli.state.pa.us

United Way

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

United Way of the Greater Lehigh Valley

1110 American Parkway Northeast, Suite F-120
Allentown, PA 18109
Ph: 610.758.8010 Website: www.unitedwayglv.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.

Allentown VA Clinic

3110 Hamilton Boulevard
Allentown, PA 18103
610-776-4304
<https://www.va.gov/wilkes-barre-health-care/locations/allentown-va-clinic/>

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.

HealthChoices

Andrew Lazo
andrewlazo@lehighcounty.org
610-782-3520

HealthChoices staff member Christine Fratrik
christinefratrik@lehighcounty.org
610-782-3842
Lehigh Magellan member line at 1-866-238-2311 or
TTY 711
[https://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/
Human-Services/HealthChoices](https://www.lehighcounty.org/Departments/Human-Services/HealthChoices)

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.

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