



Quick Start Housing and
Services Information for

Luzerne 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 & Referral Request](#)
www.inglis.org

Access Modification Program:

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

PA Housing Finance Agency

Website:
[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.

Home Builder's Asso. Of NEPA

411 Main St.
Kingston, PA 18704
Ph: 570.287.3331
info@bianepa.org
Website: www.hbanepa.org

Fair Housing Resources:

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

PA Human Relations Commission 333

Market St., Harrisburg, PA 17101-2210
Harrisburg Office
Ph: 717.787.4410
Text Telephone (TT/TTY): 717.787.7279
Website: www.phrc.pa.gov.us

HUD Fair Housing Enforcement

PA Regional Office
The Strawbridge Building
801 Market Street, 12th Floor Philadelphia,
PA 19107
215.656.0500
Website:
www.hud.gov/fairhousing/fileacomplaint

Habitat for Humanity

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

Wyoming Valley Habitat for Humanity

303 Market Street
Kingston, PA 18704
Ph: 570.820.8002
info@wv-hfh.org
Website: www.wv-hfh.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.

Luzerne County Homeless Coalition

Jennifer Yaworski
165 Amber Ln.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703
Ph: 570-826-0510, ext. 270
joyaworski@ceopeoplehelpingpeople.org

Housing Trust Fund:

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

Luzerne Co. Office of Community Development

Executive Director, Catherine Halter Hilsher
54 W. Union St.
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711
Ph: 570.824.7214
Website: www.luzernecounty.org/269/Community-Development

Landlord Association:

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

Berwick Area Landlords Association

812-D Central Rd.
Bloomsburg, PA 17815
berwickarealandlords@gmail.com
Ph: 570.204.2007

Wyoming Valley Real Estate Investor's Assoc.

Jim Yarwood
wvreianews@yahoo.com
PO Box 2633
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703
Ph: 570.350.8695

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.

Luzerne County Housing Authority

250 First Ave. Kingston, PA 18704
Ph: 570.287.9661
Website: www.luzctyha.org

Housing Authority of the City of Hazleton

320 W. Mine St. Hazleton, PA 18201
Ph: 570.455.9503
Website: www.hazletonhousingauthority.com

Housing Authority of the City of Pittston

500 Kennedy Blvd. Pittston, PA 18640
Ph: 570.655.3707
Website: www.pittstonhousingauthority.com

Nanticoke Housing Authority

Park Towers, One East Green St. Nanticoke, PA 18634
Ph: 570.735.1110
Website: www.nanticokehousing.org

Wilkes-Barre Housing Authority

50 Lincoln Plaza Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702
Ph: 570.825.6657
Website: www.wilkesbarrehousing.org

Rural Housing Office:

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

Rural Housing State Office

359 East Park Drive, Suite 4
Harrisburg, PA 17111
Ph: 717.237.2186
Website: www.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

Commission on Economic Opportunity

Dave Ritter
Ph: 570.826.0510
dritter@ceopeoplehelpingpeople.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.

PA Link Coordinator

Julie Mann
(610) 392-4254
ccaging14@ptd.net

Area Agency on Aging

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

Luzerne-Wyoming Co. Bureau for the Aging

Executive Director, Mary Roselle
mary.roselle@luzernecounty.org
111 N. Pennsylvania Blvd., Suite 100
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701
Ph: 570.822.1158
Website: www.luzernecounty.org/847/Aging

Arc

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

The Arc of Northeastern PA

Maryclaire Kretsch
mckretsch@thearcnepa.org
115 Meadow Ave.
Scranton, PA 18505
Ph: 570.346.4010
Website: www.thearcnepa.org

Center for Independent Living (CIL) Each

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

Northeast Pennsylvania CIL

Director, Keith Loughney
kloughney@mycil.org
1142 Sanderson Ave., Suite 1
Scranton, PA 18509
Ph 570.344.7211
TTY 800.344.7211
Website: www.mycil.org

Anthracite Region Center for Independent Living

8 West Broad St.
Suite 228
Hazleton, PA 18201
Ph: 570.455.9800
Website: www.anthracitecil.org

Community Action Agency

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

Commission on Economic Opportunity

Ph: 800.822.0359
Website: www.ceopeoplehelpingpeople.org

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.

Luzerne County

Adult Mental Health Services

Menta Health Program Specialist, Robert McAllister
robert.mcallister@luzernecounty.org

Ph: 570.831.7277

111 N Pennsylvania Avenue

Suite 300

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

Homelessness Prevention Agency

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

Catherine McAuley Center

430 Pittston Avenue

Scranton, PA 18505

Ph: 570.342.1342

Catholic Social Services

100 North Wilkes-Barre Blvd.

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18702

Ph: 570-822-7118

info@dioceseofscranton.org

Commission on Economic Opportunity

165 Amber Ln., PO Box 1127

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18703

Ph: 800.822.0359

Website: www.ceopeoplehelpingpeople.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.

Website: [Transition from Nursing Home to Community Care | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania \(pa.gov\)](http://Transition from Nursing Home to Community Care | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (pa.gov))

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.

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation

8 W. Market St., Suite 200

Wilkes-Barre., PA 18701

Ph: 570.826.2011

TTY 570.820.4848

800.634.2080

Ph: 570.826.2011

Website: www.dli.state.pa.us

United Way

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

United Way of Wyoming Valley

8 W. Market St., Suite 450

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18701

info@unitedwaywb.org

Ph: 570.829.6711

Website: www.unitedwaywb.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.

Wilkes-Barre VA Administration Medical Center

1111 East End Blvd.,

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711

Ph: 610.766.4664

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: www.healthchoices.pa.gov/info/index.htm

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: www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/index.htm