



Quick Start Housing and  
Services Information for

## Warren 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 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 PA**

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

### **Access Modification Program:**

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

### **ACCESS Home Modification**

Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA)  
ACCESS Home Modification Assistance | Home Improvement & Repair Loans ([phfa.org](http://phfa.org))  
[www.phfa.org/counseling/homebuyers.aspx](http://www.phfa.org/counseling/homebuyers.aspx)  
[www.phfa.org/homebuyers/participatinglenders.aspx](http://www.phfa.org/homebuyers/participatinglenders.aspx)

### **Builders Association:**

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

### **Builders Association of Northwestern PA**

PO Box 8421  
Erie, PA 16505  
Ph: 814.833.3999  
Website: [www.banwpa.com](http://www.banwpa.com)  
Crawford, Erie, Warren

### **Fair Housing Resources:**

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

### **Fair Housing Law Center** operated by

Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Aid (SPLA)  
10 West Cherry Avenue  
Washington, PA 15301  
Toll Free Hotline: 1-877-725-4472  
[www.fhlaw.org](http://www.fhlaw.org); [info@summitlegal.org](mailto:info@summitlegal.org)

### **Pennsylvania Human Relations Commission**

Pittsburgh Regional Office  
301 Fifth Avenue, Suite 390  
Piatt Place  
Pittsburgh, PA 15222  
412-565-5395 | 412-565-5711 TTY

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**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 Warren County PA**

PO Box 1473  
Warren, PA 16365  
[info@habitatwarrenpa.org](mailto:info@habitatwarrenpa.org)  
Ph: 814.688.8671  
Website: [www.habitatwarrenpa.org](http://www.habitatwarrenpa.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.

**Warren/Forest Counties Economic Opportunity Council**

Christopher Kobar  
225 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Warren PA 16365  
814-726-2400, ext. 210  
[ckobar@wfeoc.org](mailto:ckobar@wfeoc.org)

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**Housing Trust Fund:**

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

Warren Forest EOC  
209 Pennsylvania Avenue West  
Warren, PA 16365  
814-726-2400  
800-231-1797  
Ron Kramer at 814-726-2400 ext. 3036 or at  
[kramer@wfcaa.org](mailto:kramer@wfcaa.org)

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**Landlord Association:**

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

**Apartment Association of NWPA**

1127 W. 38th St. Erie, PA 16508  
[office@aptassoc.com](mailto:office@aptassoc.com)  
[www.aptassoc.com](http://www.aptassoc.com)  
Ph: 814.866.7414

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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.

**Housing Authority of the County of Warren**

108 Oak St.  
Warren, PA 16365  
Ph: 814.723.2312

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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  
Ph: 717-237-2186; E-Mail: [pasfh@usda.gov](mailto:pasfh@usda.gov);  
[www.rd.usda.gov/pa](http://www.rd.usda.gov/pa)

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## 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

**Warren/Forest Counties Economic Opportunity Council**

Melanie Swab, Housing Director  
225 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Warren PA 16365  
814-726-2400, ext. 210, [mswab@wfeoc.org](mailto:mswab@wfeoc.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 to Aging and Disability Resource Center  
Toll-Free Helpline: 1-800-753-8827  
Kathy Freeman, Link Coordinator  
[information@activeaging.org](mailto:information@activeaging.org)  
Ph: 814.336.1792

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**Area Agency on Aging**

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

Experience, Inc.  
905 W. 4th Avenue  
Warren, PA 16365  
Office: 814.723.3763  
Toll free: 1.800.281.6545  
[info@experienceinc.org](mailto:info@experienceinc.org)  
[www.experienceinc.org](http://www.experienceinc.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.

**Community Resources for Independence (CRI)** 1003 Pennsylvania Avenue West  
Warren, PA 16365-1876  
Voice: (866) 579-3404 or (814) 726-3404;  
[info@crinet.org](mailto:info@crinet.org)  
[www.crinet.org](http://www.crinet.org)

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**Community Action Agency**

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

**Warren-Forest Counties Economic Opportunity Council**  
Tressa Sweeney, Executive Director  
1209 PA Ave W  
Warren PA 16365  
814-726-2400, Ext: 109  
[tsweeney@wfeoc.org](mailto:tsweeney@wfeoc.org)

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**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.

Warren/Forest Counties Economic Opportunity Council  
Christopher Kobar, MH Specialist  
225 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Warren PA 16365  
814-726-2400, ext. 210  
[ckobar@wfeoc.org](mailto:ckobar@wfeoc.org)

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**Homelessness Prevention Agency**

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

Homeless Hotline: Dial 2-1-1

Warren-Forest EOC  
Melanie Swab  
(814) 726-2400 Ext: 120  
[mswab@wfeoc.org](mailto:mswab@wfeoc.org)

Auxiliary Site: Soldier-on (413)  
441-3857

### **Nursing Home Transition Team**

A collaborative effort using federal, state, and local resources and partnerships to move people from nursing homes back to the community

Acentra Health

888-204-8781

Email: PANursingHomeTransition@acentra.com

Home - PA Specialized Services & Nursing Home Transition (acentra.com)

Acentra Health has been selected by the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services Office of Long-Term Living as the grantee for the Pennsylvania's Specialized Services and Nursing Home Transitions Programs.

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### **Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

OVR helps people with disabilities achieve employment and independence.

### **Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

3200 Lovell Place

Erie, PA 16503

Ph: 814.871.4551 Website: [www.dli.state.pa.us](http://www.dli.state.pa.us)

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### **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.

Michael R. Wehrer, MSW, LCSW

### **Erie VAMC Homeless Program Supervisor**

135 E. 38th St.

Erie, PA 16504

VISN 4 HUD-VASH Point of Contact 814-860-2877

[michael.wehrer@va.gov](mailto:michael.wehrer@va.gov)

### **Soldier On**

Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF) Program

24-Hour Intake Hotline: 1-866-406-8449

Website: [www.wesoldieron.org](http://www.wesoldieron.org)

Supervisors:

Erin Burkett: (413) 770-7456;

[eburkett@wesoldieron.org](mailto:eburkett@wesoldieron.org)

Catherine Bichler: (413) 449-3003;

[cbichler@wesoldieron.org](mailto:cbichler@wesoldieron.org)

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### **Waiver Service Providers for Individuals Aged 18-59**

Waiver service providers are certified by the Department of Public Welfare to provide and alternative to care in a nursing facility

### **Pennsylvania Enrollment Services (enrollnow.net)**

Toll-free number: 1-800-440-3989

TTY: 1-800-618-4225

Hours of operation: Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

### **PA Health Choices**

Physical Health Choices & Behavioral Health Choices

[www.healthchoices.pa.gov/info/index.htm](http://www.healthchoices.pa.gov/info/index.htm)

PA Independent Broker

800-838-9890

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

### **Community Care Behavioral Health Organization**

(CCBHO) [www.ccbh.com/](http://www.ccbh.com/)

1-888-251-2224