



RESOURCES FOR RENTERS

Learn more about security deposits, breaking lease, repairs, eviction and more!

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RESOURCES & EDUCATION

Community Advocates

Phone: (414) 449-4777
Email: info@communityadvocates.net
Website: communityadvocates.net
Address: 728 N. James Lovell St., Milwaukee, WI

Energy Assistance Program

Phone: (414) 270-4653
Email: energyassistance@milwaukeecountywi.gov
Website: county.milwaukee.gov/EnergyAssistance
Address: 1220 W. Vliet St., Suite 301, Milwaukee, WI

Eviction Sealing Clinic

Phone: (414) 278-3965
Website: milwaukeejusticecenter.org
Address: 901 North 9th Street, Milwaukee, WI

Habitat for Humanity ReStore (Wauwatosa)

Address: 3015 N 114th St, Wauwatosa, WI
Phone: (414) 257-9078
Website: milwaukeerestore.org/shop

Journey House

Phone: (414) 647-0548
Website: journeyhouse.org
Address: 2110 W Scott St, Milwaukee, WI

Mediate Wisconsin

Address: 1915 N Doctor M.L.K. Jr Dr., Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 939-8800
Website: mediatewisconsin.org

Metropolitan Milwaukee Fair Housing Council

Address: 759 N. Milwaukee Street Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 278-1240
Website: fairhousingwisconsin.com

Tenant Resource Center

Website: tenantresourcecenter.org/counseling

Rent for Success

Phone: (414) 286-8122
Website: city.milwaukee.gov/DNSPrograms/Rent
Address: 841 N Broadway, Room 104, Milwaukee, WI

Tenant Rights and Responsibilities

Phone: (414) 266-1231
Email: datcphotline@datcp.state.wi.us
Website: datcp.state.wi.us

WI Housing Search

Phone: 1-877-428-8844
Website: wihousingsearch.org

EVICTION SUPPORT

Impact Inc.

Address: 6737 West Washington Street, Suite 2225, Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 256-4808
Website: impactinc.org

Legal Action of Wisconsin

Address: 633 W. Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 2000, Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 278-7722
Website: legalaction.org

Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee

Downtown Office
Address: 728 N. James Lovell Street, Third Floor Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 727-5300

Southside Satellite Office

Address: 611 W. National Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53204
Phone: (414) 727-5300

Vel R. Phillips Youth and Family Justice Center

Address: 10201 Watertown Plank Road, Wauwatosa, WI
Phone: (414) 257-7159
Website: legalaidmke.com

Mediate Wisconsin

Address: 1915 N Doctor M.L.K. Jr Dr., Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 939-8800
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Website: journeyhouse.org

JobsWork MKE

Address: 2821 N Vel R Phillips Ave, Milwaukee, WI
Email: info@jobsworkmke.org
Website: jobsworkmke.org

Riverworks Development Corp

Address: 526 E Concordia Ave, Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 906-9650
Email: info@riverworksmke.org
Website: riverworksmke.org

FOR ASPIRING HOMEOWNERS

Acts Housing

Phone: (414) 933-2215
Website: actshousing.org
Address: 2414 W. Vliet St, Milwaukee, WI

Housing Resources Inc.

Phone: (414) 461-6330
Email: info@hri-wi.org
Website: hri-wi.org
Address: 7830 W Burleigh St, Milwaukee, WI

United Community Center

Phone: (414) 384-3100
Website: unitedcc.org
Address: 1028 S 9th St, Milwaukee, WI



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Need Help?

Milwaukee Women's Center
The Milwaukee Women's Center operates a 24/7 emergency shelter for survivors of domestic violence and homelessness, and offers supports and services for survivors.
24-Hour Domestic Violence Crisis Line 414-671-6140
Milwaukee Women's Center staff and trained volunteers will answer your call.

Family Support Center Emergency Shelter
The Family Support Center Emergency Shelter provides 24/7 care for families experiencing homelessness to help them become independent again.

Energy Assistance
Learn how to save on your energy bills and get additional benefits such as furnace repair or weatherization materials through the Milwaukee County Energy Assistance Program and the Wisconsin Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

Tenant-Landlord Help
We can help solve problems between landlords and tenants, get repairs done, prevent evictions, and assist tenants to budget for rent payments.

Rent Assistance 2026
Tenants in Milwaukee County who need help with their rent because of a loss of income can apply for rent assistance through Community Advocates.

Homeless Outreach and Program
We engage individuals living on the streets, and operate the Homeless Outreach Program, Autumn West Safe Haven, Project Bridge, and My Home programs.

Older Abused Women's
A community-based program

RENT FOR SUCCESS
- HANDBOOK -

Providing helpful information for renters in the city of Milwaukee.

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COMMUNITY ADVOCATES
Where Meeting Basic Needs Inspires Hope

Your Housing Journey Starts Here.

Connect with people who understand and are ready to help.

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Rental Housing Resource Center



Milwaukee Rental Housing Resource Center helps tenants and landlords with housing challenges.

Milwaukee Rental Housing Resource Center (MKE RHRC) is a collaborative network of local housing and related assistance programs. Our vision is to bring together the resources and organizations that successfully guide residents through a variety of rental housing related issues. From understanding your rental housing rights, to finding legal and mediation services, better understanding how to access rental assistance, and accessing training and education, MKE RHRC brings the expertise of several area housing experts under one roof.

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RESOURCES FOR HOMEOWNERS

Support for Existing Homeowners

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HOME REPAIR ASSISTANCE

Asthma Safe Homes Program

Phone: (414) 312-4180
Email: info@revitalizemilwaukee.org
Website: revitalizemilwaukee.org
Address: 3700 N 14th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53206

Childhood Lead Primary Prevention Program

Phone: (414) 286-3521
Email: health@milwaukee.gov
Website: milwaukee.gov/lead
Address: 841 N Broadway, Milwaukee, WI 53202

Community First Inc.

Address: 3940 W. Lisbon Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53218
Phone: (414) 409-7192
Website: cfmke.org

Compliance Loan Program

Phone: (414) 286-8200
Email: dnsinfo@milwaukee.gov
Website: milwaukee.gov/DNS
Address: 200 E Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53202

Critical Home Repair Program

Phone: (414) 312-4180
Email: info@revitalizemilwaukee.org
Website: revitalizemilwaukee.org
Address: 3700 N 14th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53206

Curb Appeal Grant Program

Phone: (414) 286-5610
Email: info@nidc.org
Website: nidc.org
Address: 2300 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI

Emergency Repair Program

Phone: (414) 312-4180
Email: info@revitalizemilwaukee.org
Website: revitalizemilwaukee.org
Address: 3700 N 14th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53206

Home Rehabilitation Loan Program

Phone: (414) 286-5610
Email: info@nidc.org
Website: nidc.org
Address: 2300 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI

Home Rehabilitation Loan Program

Phone: (414) 286-5610
Email: info@nidc.org
Website: nidc.org
Address: 2300 N. Lincoln Memorial Dr., Milwaukee, WI 53202

Lead Hazard Reduction ARPA Program

Phone: (414) 312-4180
Email: info@revitalizemilwaukee.org
Website: revitalizemilwaukee.org
Address: 3700 N 14th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53206

Lead Service Line Replacement Program

Phone: (414) 286-2830
Email: mwinfo@milwaukee.gov
Website: milwaukee.gov/water
Address: 841 N. Broadway, Milwaukee, WI 53202

Live, Work, Play Home Repair Grants

Phone: (414) 344-6934
Email: info@nearwestsidepartners.org
Website: nearwestsidepartners.org
Address: 2667 N. 1st Street, Milwaukee, WI 53212

Milwaukee Christian Center

Address: 807 S. 14th St., Milwaukee, WI 53204
Phone: (414) 643-7704
Website: mccwi.org

Roofing Repair Program

Phone: (414) 312-4180
Email: info@revitalizemilwaukee.org
Website: revitalizemilwaukee.org
Address: 3700 N 14th St, Milwaukee, WI 53206

STRONG Home Loans Program

Phone: (414) 286-5805
Email: dc@milwaukee.gov
Website: milwaukee.gov/STRONG
Address: 200 E. Wells St., Milwaukee, WI 53202

WestCare

Address: 335 W. Wright St., Milwaukee, WI 53212
Phone: (414) 239-9359, Ext. 80100

FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITY CENTERS

Journey House

Financial Management/Budget Counseling
Address: 2110 W Scott St, Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 647-0548
Website: journeyhouse.org

JobsWork MKE

Financial Management/Budget Counseling
Address: 2821 N Vel R Phillips Ave, Milwaukee, WI
Email: info@jobsworkmke.org
Website: jobsworkmke.org

Riverworks Development Corp

Financial Management/Budget Counseling
Address: 526 E Concordia Ave, Milwaukee, WI
Phone: (414) 906-9650
Email: info@riverworksmke.org
Website: riverworksmke.org

COUNSELING FOR HOMEOWNERS

Acts Housing

Home Improvement and
Rehabilitation Counseling
Phone: (414) 933-2215
Website: actshousing.org
Address: 2414 W. Vliet St, Milwaukee, WI

Housing Resources Inc.

Non-Delinquency Post Purchase Assistance
Reverse Mortgage Counseling
Phone: (414) 461-6330
Email: info@hri-wi.org
Website: hri-wi.org
Address: 7830 W Burleigh St, Milwaukee, WI

United Community Center

Non-Delinquency Post Purchase Assistance
Mortgage Delinquency & Default Resolution Counseling
Phone: (414) 384-3100
Website: unitedccc.org
Address: 1028 S 9th St, Milwaukee, WI



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Home Improvement Resource Navigator
Housing Help MKE

Resources & Programs

The City of Milwaukee offers a variety of resources and incentive programs to help residents with housing improvements. Scroll down to see the complete list of available programs or filter by location, service, or income for your housing needs.

Property Address and Housing Status

Address (ex. 1234 N 56 Ave) Housing Status

What repairs or improvements does the property need?

<input type="checkbox"/> Boiler	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete	<input type="checkbox"/> Doors
<input type="checkbox"/> Drywall	<input type="checkbox"/> Electrical	<input type="checkbox"/> Energy Efficiency
<input type="checkbox"/> Fence	<input type="checkbox"/> Furnace	<input type="checkbox"/> Gutter
<input type="checkbox"/> Heating / Cooling	<input type="checkbox"/> Insulation	<input type="checkbox"/> Lead Abatement
<input type="checkbox"/> Paint (Exterior)	<input type="checkbox"/> Paint (Interior)	<input type="checkbox"/> Plumbing
<input type="checkbox"/> Roof	<input type="checkbox"/> Sewer Collapse / Lateral Leak	<input type="checkbox"/> Porch
<input type="checkbox"/> Stormwater Capture	<input type="checkbox"/> Structure Failure	<input type="checkbox"/> Siding
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Leak	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree Hazard	<input type="checkbox"/> Solar
	<input type="checkbox"/> Windows	<input type="checkbox"/> Water Heater

Tell us about your household:

2023 Annual Income Household Size Does your household include a child under age 6? Yes No

CITY OF MILWAUKEE
YEAR OF HOUSING 2026

ENERGY ASSISTANCE
ADDITIONAL SERVICES THAT SAVE MONEY AND ENERGY!

When you qualify for the Wisconsin Home Energy Assistance program (WHEAP) for your heating and electric bill, you can also access additional energy-saving and money-saving programs! Find them here and contact us for info!

FURNACE & WATER HEATER REPAIR - REPLACEMENT
If your furnace, water heater or boiler stops working, Emergency Heating System Assistance can help homeowners and some renters!* We cover costs for repair provided thru the program. You may even qualify for a replacement! (*You and your landlord must qualify for WHEAP. 2- to 4-unit dwellings must be owner-occupied.)

WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM
This program helps households with an excessive energy burden. Weatherization agencies assess your home for ways that can easily reduce your energy use, and might even save you money. Services differ with each home, depending on its construction and condition. Common services include:
• Insulating attics, walls and floors • Reducing air leakage
• Installing energy-efficient lighting and thermostats
• Money-saving tips on maintenance and energy conservation

CRISIS SERVICES (SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR MORE INFO!)
You may be eligible for crisis assistance if you have no heat, are a first time customer, have a high utility balance or are running low or are out of fuel and do not have the money to purchase more. Crisis Benefits are an additional service provided to energy assistance recipients. Guidelines are set by Milwaukee County and are based on the availability of funds and the needs of your household. Crisis benefits may be issued in addition to your regular benefits. You may not file a fair hearing about Crisis Benefits.

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WHAT TO HAVE READY:

1. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS AND DATES OF BIRTH
For everyone in the household.

2. PROOF OF WISCONSIN RESIDENCY / U.S. CITIZENSHIP
Driver's license, utility bill, or property tax record. Document showing valid immigration status for non-citizens.

3. HEATING / ELECTRIC COSTS
Account number, household heating costs for last 12 months and copies of your electric bill.

4. PROPERTY OWNERSHIP INFORMATION
Name, address, and phone number of landlord or property management company.

5. INCOME INFORMATION
Provide evidence (check stubs, tax documents, award letters, etc.) of your entire household's gross income for the OME month prior to the month of application, such as:
• Wages
• Unemployment
• Self-Employment Income
• Rent
• Social Security Income & Social Security Disability Income (SSDI and SSI)
• Statement of parent to parent loan or gift of money
• Pensions, Annuities, IRAs
• Child Support Payments
• Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)
• Wisconsin Works (WW) Benefits

FOCUS ON ENERGY
Provides free energy-saving products that may include showerheads, faucet aerators, power strips, pipe insulation and more.

WATER CONSERVATION
Services from repair / replacement of water heaters; may also include leaks with toilets, sinks, pipes and other water sources not due to lack of maintenance.

HEAT FOR HEROES
Assists with heating and cooling utility costs for veterans, military and their families.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT KEEPWARMMKE.ORG