



Not-for-Profit Housing and Financial Counseling

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR RENTERS

Community Development Corporation of Long Island – This not-for-profit administers the Housing Choice Voucher Rental Assistance Program in Suffolk County for public housing agencies and local charities. 2100 Middle Country Road, Centereach, New York 11720. Phone (631) 471-1215 x119

Riverhead Salvation Army is a non-profit agency in Suffolk County New York. They serve as a Community Resource and provide Rental Assistance. Denial from DSS one shot if eligible.

https://www.facebook.com/SalvationArmyRiverhead/ Phone (631) 727-3338

East Northport Salvation Army is a great place to call. Centers that are part of the Salvation Army operate across the nation, and this is a local branch. They offer everything from free food, to housing counseling, and emergency funds to pay rent. Denial from DSS one shot if eligible. https://www.facebook.com/TheSalvationArmyEastNorthport/Phone (631) 368-1170

Long Island Council of Churches - Provides information on charities and government programs, and referral and an Emergency Services Program includes 3 day supply of free groceries and food 12 times per year, rent/mortgage/utility payment when bill is in arrears or facing an eviction and also prescription assistance. Riverhead New York. (631)727-221





Family Service League: Community Advocacy, Information & Referral CAIR offers free walk-in or phone support to those facing problems such as food shortage, utility shutoff or potential loss of housing. Contact by phone

Bay Shore 631-650-0104 Huntington Station 631-425-9694 Mastic Beach 631-874-1323 Riverhead 631-591-7577

Their website is https://www.fsl-li.org/ and their main number is (631)

427-3700

Economic Opportunity Council of Suffolk

COVID-19 Emergency Assistance

EOC is offering financial assistance to eligible Suffolk County residents impacted by COVID-19 pandemic. Financial hardships/need include food, funeral costs, rental expenses, broker fees, utility expenses, medical expenses, retraining expenses, clothing, bedding, toiletries, etc. Applicants' household income must not exceed 200 percent of poverty guidelines. The application documents can be found on their website https://eoc-suffolk.com/ You can fax the completed application to Halim Kaygisiz at 631-415-4794 or email to hkaygisiz@eoc-suffolk.com/ or mailed to 31 West Main Street, Suite 300, Patchogue, NY 11772, Attn: Halim Kaygisiz.

Haven House/Bridges Homelessness Prevention Program: helps people avoid eviction and retain or obtain permanent housing. The program also provides supportive services to people who are experiencing homelessness. The program offers people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness with financial and rental assistance related to maintaining permanent housing such as moving or storage fees, rental or utility arrears, security deposits, rent and utility payments. For more information please contact HHB's Homelessness Prevention Program at 631 231-3619.

St. Vincent De Paul Society Conferences:

Vincentians are appointed in certain Catholic Churches to provide assistance with Rental Arrears, Security Deposits, Utility Bills & other necessity bills. You must call the nearest Church to your zip code to find out if they serve your area.

http://www.svdpli.org/conferences/

St. Vincent DePaul Family Assistance

https://www.svdpli.org/what-we-do/family-assistance/





Central Council (Bethpage) 249 Broadway Bethpage, NY 11714

General Questions: (516) 822-3132 To Request Assistance: (516) 822-3132

fax (516) 822-2728 info@svdpli.org

TOWN OF ISLIP RESIDENTS ONLY:

FAMILY SERVICE LEAGUE: Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing provides one-time financial assistance to homeless individuals and at-risk homeowners in the Township of Islip. Eligible households can receive assistance with rent arrears, security deposits, and first month's rent. (631) 650-0062

Town of Islip Community Development Agency - Offers money for moving costs, security deposits, and emergency rent help. All of it is government funded. Bay Shore, NY – 11706. Phone (631) 665-1185 https://www.needhelppayingbills.com/html/suffolk county rent assistance.html

United Way 2-1-1

COMMUNITY RESOURCE DATABASE OF LI

"211 Long Island" connects people to local health and human service agencies and programs throughout Long Island. Clients can call about everything from basic needs like food, clothing and shelter to legal services, drug treatment, employment support, childcare, eldercare and more.

Phone # (888) 774-7633.

Website: www.211longisland.communityos.org Long Island DIAL 2-1-1 or 1-888-774-7633

Ask for current organizations that have been given HUD ESG funding for Homelessness Prevention.

Catholic Charities of LI – Catholic Charities (Phone number (516)733-7045) may be able to provide help from the Emergency Food and Shelter Program. This federal government funded program can provide financial assistance for emergency situations for rent or mortgage expenses.

https://catholiccharities.cc/

Catholic Charities Housing Department Thomas F. Casey Administration Center





90 Cherry Lane Hicksville, NY 11801 Directions

Telephone: 516-733-7076

Rapid Transition Housing Program (RTHP) provides a rental subsidy and supportive housing services for high-need Medicaid beneficiaries. RTHP, previously known as Nursing Home to Independent Living (NHIL), is a Medicaid Redesign Team initiative funded by the Department of Health and administered by the New York Association on Independent Living. The program will be available in four areas of the state: Long Island, Syracuse, New York City and Rochester.

https://ilny.us/programs/rapid-transition-housing

FAIR HOUSING

LONG ISLAND HOUSING SERVICES

640 Johnson Avenue, Suite 8
Bohemia, NY 11716
631-567-5111 ext. 375
email info@LIFairHousing.org
Hablamos Español 631-567-5111 ext. 378

From LIHS – "If you believe that you have been discriminated against in seeking or maintaining housing based upon either contracting or being exposed to Coronavirus, please call Long Island Housing Services at 631-567-5111 ext. 375 to speak to a Fair Housing Investigator or email info@LIFairHousing.org. Español 631-567-5111 ext. 378 It is a FAIR HOUSING VIOLATION if any of the following occurs:

- 1. You are denied housing or financing for housing based upon Coronavirus;
- 2. Your landlord attempts to evict you because you have contracted Coronavirus;
- 3. Your landlord attempts to evict you because you are an essential worker and have been exposed to Coronavirus.

New York State Human Rights Law, The Federal Fair Housing Act and local human rights laws protect individuals against housing discrimination, including individuals that may have contracted Coronavirus or may have been exposed to Coronavirus. Infectious diseases, such as Coronavirus,





meet the standard for protected 'disability' under the New York State Human Rights Law, the Federal Fair Housing Act, and local human rights laws, making it illegal for any individual to be denied housing based upon the Coronavirus.

Under New York State Human Rights Law, the Federal Fair Housing Act and local human rights law, landlords are not permitted to inquire about a tenant's medical condition. If a tenant voluntarily opts to disclose their illness, the landlord is not permitted to use that information against them. Landlords are required to make reasonable accommodations for tenants with disabilities as defined by Fair Housing and Human Rights laws, such as allowing tenants to set up payment plans to cover back rent when illness prevents them from working. Further, tenants and homeowners may not be forced to move by a homeowner's association, condominium board or any housing providers due to the Coronavirus.

Further, landlords and housing providers are not permitted to discriminate based on their belief that persons of certain race, ethnicity or national origin may be more likely to have contracted Coronavirus or have been exposed to Coronavirus.

The following classes of persons are protected under New York State Human Rights law, the Federal Fair Housing Act and/or local human rights laws.

- 1. Race
- 2. Color
- 3. Religion
- 4. National Origin
- 5. Disability
- 6. Source of Income (including, but not limited to, income derived from an essential worker job)
- 7. Familial Status
- 8. Sex
- 9. Creed
- 10. Age
- 11. Sexual Orientation
- 12. Marital Status
- 13. Gender Identity/Gender Expression
- 14. Veteran Status/Military Status
- 15. Victims of Domestic Violence





TENANT RESOURCE & INFORMATION PROGRAM

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www.facebook.com/housinghelpinc

Housing Help Inc. is tackling many challenges related to COVID-19, such as housing insecurities for renters on Long Island. In our COVID-19 response, we will be holding a temporary Tenants Resource & Information program. Housing Help Inc. will provide listings of available rentals in Suffolk County, information on tenant's rights, and referrals to not for profit agencies that provide free legal assistance for housing issues. This program is available in English and Spanish by phone or email.

Intake Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdxWVuQwSojJsQar0HZGSF9j RRqRQjTOlkFlWI6OKs3jiVeoA/viewform



PROBONO LEGAL SERVICES

NASSAU/SUFFOLK LAW SERVICES

http://www.nslawservices.org/selfhelp.shtml

Islandia Office - Serves Suffolk West of Route 112 1757 Veterans Highway - Suite 50

Islandia, NY 11749

Phone # (631) 232-2400

Fax # (631) 232-2489

Riverhead Office - Serves Suffolk East of Route 112





313 West Main Street Riverhead, NY 11901-2480 Phone # (631) 369-1112 FAX Number (631) 369-1612

Hempstead Office – Nassau County 1 Helen Keller Way – 5th Floor Hempstead, NY 11550 Phone (516) 292-8100 Fax (516) 292-6529

WWW.LAWHELP.ORG/NY

www.LawHelp.org/NY

On this website you can find:

- Referrals to free legal services programs
- Information about your legal rights

LawHelp helps people find information. You talk with a LawHelp/NY specialist by typing your question. Your question is sent immediately to the specialist, and the specialist quickly sends you the location of the information you're looking for, if available. (This is also called "chatting" or "instant messaging.")

http://lawhelp.org/NY/

LEGAL AID SOCIETY OF SUFFOLK COUNTY

The Legal Aid Society provides counsel in the Criminal Court (defendants are represented from arraignment through trial or other disposition) and Family Court (family offense cases, visitation, foster care, child abuse, paternity, adoptions and related matters) matters to persons who, in the opinion of the Court, are financially unable to afford private counsel.

5 Shore Lane, First Floor Bay Shore, NY 11706 Phone: (631) 854-0401 Fax: (631) 854-0770

Riverhead Office: (631) 852-1650

http://www.nycourts.gov/courts/10jd/suffolk/dv_legalaid.shtml

NASSAU COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

Senior Citizen Consultation Clinics Nassau County Bar Association, 15th and West Streets, Mineola, NY. Registration is required. Please call NCBA: (516) 747-4070.





Free Open House Event for Long Island Residents: Speak with a

Professional Housing Counselor

Now is the time to speak with a Housing Counselor and/or Legal Services Provider about:

COVID-19 FORBEARANCE

HARDSHIP PROGRAMS

LOAN MODIFICATIONS

PAYMENT OPTIONS

Where: The open house will be held outside, under tents at the Nassau

County Bar Association at 15th and West Streets in Mineola.

When: Thursday, August 27, 2020

To Register: It is by reservation only to insure social distancing. Attendees are required to wear a face covering and one will be provided in the event needed.

To register for the open house or to request telephone or virtual counseling, please call (516) 388-7556.

EMPIRE JUSTICE CENTER

Free legal assistance, advocacy, counseling and training related to tenants' rights, immigration matters, access to benefits, consumer matters, language access and crime victims' rights.

Assistance available in a variety of languages and regardless of immigration status.

225 Eastview Drive

Room 222, Central Islip, NY 11722

p: (631) 650-2306 | f: (631) 348-3571

http://empirejustice.org/get-help/

COMMUNITY LEGAL ADVOCATES OF NEW YORK is a private, non-profit organization that is dedicated to closing the social justice gap by advancing the rights of low and moderate income clients. Consistent with the vision of its founders, CLA provides free or low cost holistic civil legal and advocacy services to residents of Long Island and New York City. (516) 210-6763

EMAIL: <u>INFO@CLA-NY.ORG</u>

https://www.cla-ny.org/online-intake



