

CATHEDRAL GOOD SAMARITAN RESOURCE GUIDE (Revised 2/20/24)

■ FOOD ASSISTANCE

Lehigh County Conference of Churches:

457 W. Allen St (Dubbs Memorial Community Center), Allentown
610-433-6421

*Mon. - Fri.: Breakfast 8 - 9 a.m.
Lunch 11:45 a.m.- 12:45 p.m.
Dinner 4 - 4:30 p.m.*

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Catholic Social Agency-Catholic Charities):

Soup Kitchen 179 Chew St., Allentown (2nd and Chew)
610-435-1541

Fri., Sat., Mon: 12:00-1:00 p.m. Hot Meals for Lunch. (Also provide groceries 12:30 - 1:30 p.m.)

The Salvation Army Food Pantry

144 N. 8th St., Allentown
610-432-0129

1st & 3rd Wed. 10 -12; 3rd Wed. also 3:30 - 5:00 (Emergencies in off weeks)

Allentown Ecumenical Food Bank

417 N. 14th St., Allentown
610-821-1332 ID needed

*Three-day supply of emergency food once per month.
Weekdays 9 -12 and Thurs. evening 4 - 6 p.m. to pick up food. Closed on holidays*

Saints Simon and Jude Church Food Pantry

730 W. Broad St., Bethlehem
610-866-5582

Pantry open the third Saturday of every month, starting 8:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Pennsylvania Avenue Interfaith Food Pantry

1900 Pennsylvania Ave., Bethlehem
610-865-3603

Open 1st & 3rd Wednesday from 6-8 p.m.

Promise Food & Wellness Center (Promise Neighborhoods of the Lehigh Valley)

13th Street, basement of Hays Elementary School
610-351-4288 office number 484-719-7020 Talha Castro at the school

www.orderhead.org —clients can go on line on a Sun. at to place an order to be picked up
Open Wed. through Fri. 4-7 p.m. & 1st and 3rd Sat. 9 am-12pm Make requests online for specific supplies/pick up date.

Second Harvest Food Bank

1-484-287-4015

Although not a traditional food bank (they distribute donated food to all local food banks), the folks answering this phone will help the caller find the closest, open food bank in the Lehigh Valley, based on their ZIP code, including the days and hours of operation.

■ FURNITURE

Wesley Methodist Church, Allentown & Bethlehem 610-351-1616 Calls taken Tues. & Sat. Will pick up donations.

■ HOUSING RESOURCE for PA HOMEOWNERS

Pennsylvania Homeowner Assistance Fund (PAHAF) to assist homeowners impacted financially by the pandemic. PAHAF will begin accepting applications from eligible Pennsylvania homeowners starting February 1, 2022.

The PAHAF program provides eligible Pennsylvania homeowners with up to \$30,000 in much-needed assistance to prevent and/or ease mortgage delinquencies, defaults, foreclosures, displacement, and utility disconnection.

To learn more about the assistance available and review the documents required to apply, visit pahaf.org or call 888-987-2423.

■ MEDICATION DISCOUNTS

Good RX.com

SingleCare.com apply online for discounts up to 80%

■ PHONE & INTERNET

Lifeline Assistance Program (referred to as Obama phones)

obamaphone.com

Federal government provides free cell phones, voice minutes and texting to anyone who qualifies for any federal assistance such as Medicaid, food stamps, SSI, etc.

Affordable Connectivity Program

affordableconnectivity.gov

The Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP) is a U.S. government program run by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program to help low-income households pay for internet service and connected devices like a laptop or tablet-apply online.

■ RENT ASSISTANCE

LEHIGH COUNTY

Community Action Committee Lehigh Valley (CACLV) Emergency Rent Assistance Program (ERAP)

610-691-5620

communityactionlv.org

NORTHAMPTON COUNTY

Project of Easton

610-258-1100 ext. 13

Catholic Charities Case Management Program: assistance with locating housing and with personal finance

610-435-1541 Jamie at ext. 318

catholiccharitiesad.org

New Bethany Ministries (Bethlehem, Hellertown, Lower Saucon)

610-691-5602 ext. 217 or ext. 208

Lehigh County Conference of Churches (Pathways) provides rental assistance

457 W. Allen St., Allentown

9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mon. - Thurs.

610-439-8653

Advice from the United Way to be linked to a resource specialist for housing assistance:

- first call 211
- or, go to pa211east.org
- or, text your Zip Code to 898211

PHFA (Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency) call center: 855-827-3466 and press "0" to reach an operator

PHFA provides:

- various loan products
- pre-closing counseling to those buying a home through PHFA

County Housing Authorities:

Lehigh County 610-965-4514

Northampton County 610-759-8488

■ SHELTER (Emergency)

Allentown YMCA Warming Station (Nov. 1 - April 30 7 p.m. - 7 a.m.)

425 S. 15th St., Allentown

610-351-9622

Bethlehem Emergency Warming Station (Nov. 15 - April 15)

75 E. Market St., Bethlehem

484-379-6694

New Bethany Ministries

333 West 4th St., Bethlehem

610-691-5602 ext. 204

Turning Point

610-797-0530 Must be in immediate danger
610-437-3369 (available 24/7)

Catholic Charities

Rita Schmoyer 610-435-1541 catholiccharitiesad.org

6th Street Shelter, Allentown

219 N. 6th St
610-435-1490 One child under 18 years

Salvation Army, Allentown

610-432-0128

Community Action Committee

Anita 610-691-5620

Allentown Rescue Mission

355 Hamilton St.
610-740-5500 Emergency Shelter

■ SOCIAL SERVICES

Americorps: Darnell Scott is serving as a Community Resource Navigator at Lehigh Valley Active Life through an Americorps grant. Can assist with housing resources, resources to improve financial stability, fill out forms online or paper form.

1633 West Elm St., Allentown 610-437-3700 to set up an appointment Mon. - Thurs. 9 am-2 pm.

Catholic Charities Parenting and Pregnancy Support Service: bottles, diapers, formula, counseling, and testing
610-435-1541 Jeremy at ext. 310 and Vivian at ext. 319 catholiccharitiesad.org

Neighborhood Health Center of the Lehigh Valley (NHCLV): case management, social services, mental health counseling, substance abuse. Dental services available at Easton location. 484-544-3113. Sliding payment scale according to income. Funded by US Dept. of Health & Human Services

160 Hamilton Blvd., Allentown

610-477-0105

Monday through Friday

New Bethany Ministries: Case managers assist with schedules, goals, job search assistance, financial planning/
Clothing Bank/Parenting Classes

610-691-5602

Pathways: Emergency Needs including toiletries. Referral and advocacy services for housing, utilities, jobs
457 Allen St. 610-439-8653

Pennsylvania MENTOR: Home- and community-based services provider for youth and adults with intellectual & developmental disabilities and other complex conditions as well as for emotional, behavioral and medically challenged youth.

3450 Highpoint Blvd., Suite 160 Bethlehem

610-867-3173

The Clearinghouse: Assists PA residents over age 18 with medical, prescriptions, food, housing, employment and social and life services. No defined income limit. Sponsored by PACE, PA Dept. of Aging.

1-800-955-0989

Monday through Friday, 8 am-5 pm. After hours voicemail available.

■ TRANSPORTATION

Lanta Bus Passes 888-253-8333

ITN Lehigh Valley

itnlehighvalley.org

ITN is a ride-providing organization for seniors and those visually impaired. It requires a membership and a per ride fee. SVDP was a member a few years back but our requests for client rides diminished and we lapsed our membership. However, it is still an option.

■ UTILITY ASSISTANCE

PPL Electric: 800-358-6623 ppl electric.com
ONTRACK-Lower fixed monthly payment plan and debt forgiveness if past-due balance

Met-Ed: 800-545-7741 firstenergycorp/met_edison.html

UGI: 800-276-2722 ugi.com 800-844-9274 (Customer Assistance Program)

LIHEAP: Low Income Energy Assistance Program. Apply online. Usually November to April. Apply early.
dhs.pa.gov/Services/Assistance/Pages/LIHEAP.aspx

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PUC)

puc.pa.org

1-800-692-7380

Before contacting the PUC:

1. contact your utility for help
2. call LIHEAP
3. contact PUC