



HOUSING FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Below is a list of resources that are generally available to Georgians who may be struggling to pay rent or need housing assistance. The document is divided into Rental Assistance, Home-Owner, and Special Needs resources in each Georgia region. The organizations in the list below are not affiliated with DCA or any of its subsidiaries and DCA is not responsible for their operations.

Rental Assistance

North Georgia

- [White County Sharing and Caring](#)
White County Caring & Sharing (WCCS) provides assistance with housing, utilities, fuel, and other items on a case-by-case basis
- [Ninth District Opportunity: Housing Assistance](#)
The Housing Assistance program assists households that are currently homeless or in imminent danger of becoming homeless with the establishment of long-term housing stability through limited financial assistance and intense case management services.
- [Georgia Legal Services Program](#)
The Georgia Legal Services Program provides eviction prevention services by giving free civil legal aid for low-income people outside of metro Atlanta.

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- [United Way of Greater Atlanta](#)
United Way maintains a catalogue of rent assistance providers for individuals in need to consider.
- [Net Works Cooperative Ministry](#)
Financial assistance helps with housing and utility assistance for neighbors within the Northlake-Embry Hills-Tucker area.
- [Decatur Cooperative Ministry: Project Take Charge](#)
Project Take Charge offers rent assistance, mortgage assistance, and utility assistance to at-risk families, individuals, and seniors with documented proof of impending housing loss or utility disconnection.
- [Partnership for Community Action: Family Support and Emergency Assistance](#)
Family Support and Emergency Assistance provides services that can intervene when there is an immediate crisis or emergency such as housing or utilities.
- [Society of St. Vincent De Paul - Georgia](#)
St. Vincent de Paul Georgia provides financial assistance to those unable to meet their basic needs such as housing, utilities, transportation, clothing, and medicine.
- [Cascade United Methodist Church](#)
Cascade United Methodist Church provides rent and utility assistance services and support to help those in financial crisis.
- [Nicholas House: Homeless to Homes \(H2H\)](#)
Nicholas House provides the Homeless to Homes (H2H) rapid rehousing program for families who are experiencing homelessness and have some income, but not enough to pay full rent.

- [The Salvation Army- Georgia Division: Project SHARE](#)
Project SHARE provides Financial Emergency Assistance to individuals and families facing a temporary crisis that threatens their home. Project Share is focused on utility assistance with some assistance for rental assistance.
- [Atlanta Legal Aid](#)
Atlanta Legal Aid provides eviction prevention services by giving free civil legal aid for low-income people across metro Atlanta.

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- [The Salvation Army- Georgia Division: Valdosta](#)
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Home-Owner Resources

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- [Ninth District Opportunity: Low-Income Home Energy & Water Assistance](#)
Heating Assistance assists qualifying households with a one-time payment of up to \$500 to their primary electricity and water vendor.
- [Charlie's House: Safety Education and Child-Proofing](#)
Charlie's House is pleased to offer home safety education and child-proofing supplies to families needing these items.
- [Water Well Trust](#)
Beneficiaries of the Water Well Trust are low-income families or individuals that have wells that are no longer functioning properly, have contamination issues that render the well unusable, or have no well or safe water source. The Water Well Trust also has funding for septic systems.
- [Ninth District Opportunity: Weatherization](#)
The Weatherization program provides assistance to households to make their homes more energy efficient through conservation measures and minor home repairs.
- [American Red Cross Georgia Regional Headquarters: Georgia Home Fire Campaign](#)
The Home Fire Campaign helps save lives by installing free smoke alarms in homes that don't have them, and by educating people about home fire safety.

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- [Partnership for Community Action: Low Income Home Energy Assistance \(LIHEAP\)](#)
The Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides financial assistance with utilities.

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- [Coastal Plain Area E.O.A.: Water Utility Assistance](#)
Coastal Plain offers limited financial assistance to help individuals pay for water utility bills in an effort to avoid the disconnection of water to the individual's residence.
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- [City of Savannah: Minor Home Repair Program](#)
Home Improvement Grants and Loans are offered to low-income homeowners for building exterior and site improvements that benefit both the homeowner and the surrounding neighborhood. Payments on loans by elderly homeowners are made at 0% to 3% interest with no payments during the home ownership.
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- [Allatoona Community Action Partnership: LIHEAP](#)
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Special Needs Resources: Veterans

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- [Salute: Veteran Financial Assistance Program](#)
Salute offers financial assistance to veterans who are in active duty, injured and/or transitioning back to civilian life. The program provides financial assistance for rent/mortgage payments, utilities, and other expenses
- [Operation First Response: The Last Mission Project](#)

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- [Operation Homefront: Critical Financial Assistance](#)
Operation Homefront assists military families during difficult financial times by providing food assistance, auto and home repair, vision care, travel and transportation, moving assistance, essential home items, and rent-free transitional housing for wounded veterans and their families.
- [Helping Hands For Freedom: Life Needs Financial Assistance](#)
Helping Hands for Freedom provides emergency financial assistance to Veteran, Military or Gold Star family who have been honorably discharged with at least one child 18 or under in the home.
- [Military Housing Assistance Fund](#)
The Military Housing Assistance Fund (MHAF) provides gift funds to assist active military and veteran families with purchasing a home.
- [U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs](#)
U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs offers VA housing assistance can help Veterans, service members, and their surviving spouses to buy a home or refinance a loan. They also offer benefits and services to help build, improve, or keep your current home.
- [Gary Sinise Foundation: R.I.S.E.- Specially Adapted Smart Homes](#)
Gary Sinise Foundation offers their R.I.S.E. Specially Adapted Smart Homes program which provides one-of-a-kind specially adapted smart homes for the nation's most severely wounded heroes.
- [Operation Finally Home](#)
Operation Finally Home provides custom-built, mortgage-free homes and home modifications to America's military Heroes and the widows of the fallen, those who have worn America's uniform and sacrificed so much to defend our freedoms and values.
- [Homes for Veterans: Home Modifications for Veterans](#)
Homes for Veterans (HFV) modifies the homes of wounded veterans to help their heroes live barrier-free in their own homes. This program provides reconstructive services and accessibility modifications
- [Navy Wounded Warrior: Support Services](#)
Enrollment in the Navy Wounded Warrior is available to service members wounded in combat, as well as to those diagnosed with a serious illness or injured in shipboard, training and liberty accidents. Navy Wounded Warrior coordinates the non-medical care of seriously wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen, and provides resources and support to their families. This program provides housing/rental support.
- [Operation Homefront: Permanent Homes for Veterans](#)
Permanent Homes for Veterans provides veterans with the opportunity to move into an Operation Homefront (OH) home and work directly with OH caseworkers and other financial counselors to learn and plan for home ownership.

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- [HOPE Atlanta: Supportive Services for Veteran Families \(SSVF\)](#)
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- [Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society: Financial Assistance and Counseling](#)
The Navy-Marine Corps Relief Society provides funds to help active duty or retired Sailors and Marines with a wide range of financial needs including rent/mortgage, utilities, and home repairs
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Special Needs Resources: Elderly

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- [United States Department of Agriculture - Georgia: Single Family Housing Repair Grants](#)
Also known as the Section 504 Home Repair program, this program provides grants to elderly, very low-income homeowners to remove health and safety hazards from their homes.
- [Georgia Division of Aging Services](#)
The Division of Aging Services (DAS) coordinates with other aging organizations to provide services to appropriately sustain older Georgians in their homes and communities. These services also provide support to family members and caregivers.

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Special Needs Resources: Medical

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- [The Pink Fund: Financial Help](#)
The Pink Fund distributes short-term financial aid for basic living expenses on behalf of breast cancer patients who have lost all or a part of their income during active treatment
- [Guidance Medical: Financial Assistance Funds](#)
Guidance Medical works to assist children with special health care needs and their families by funding daily living costs such as utilities.
- [Bone Marrow & Cancer Foundation: Lifeline Fund](#)
The Bone Marrow & Cancer Foundation's Lifeline Fund helps to cover the often overlooked living and ancillary expenses that can present considerable financial obstacles or prohibit the transplant altogether.
- [Glenn Garcelon Foundation: Financial Assistance for Brain Tumor Patients](#)
The Glenn Garcelon Foundation provides Financial Assistance to those with a primary brain tumor in an effort to ease the financial strain of living with a debilitating medical condition.
- [Luke Neuhedel Foundation: Assistance for Pediatric Cancer Patients](#)
The program provides financial assistance to cover for rent, home bills, and gas to children currently undergoing and who have undergone treatment for pediatric cancer.
- [Infinite Strength: Metastatic Breast Cancer Human Needs Grant](#)
Infinite Strength provides financial assistance to underserved single mothers with Metastatic Breast Cancer (MBC) on a monthly basis for six months.
- [Wheelchairs 4 Kids: Let's Roll](#)
Wheelchairs 4 Kids provides wheelchairs, home and vehicle modifications as well as other assistive and therapeutic devices for children that have limited mobility due to illness, accident or abuse.
- [Disability Resource Center](#)
Disability Resource Center provides a home modification program to remove architectural barriers within the home to make it easier for clients to utilize their home effectively and independently.
- [Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission: Brain and Spinal Injury Grant](#)
Brain and Spinal Injury Trust Fund Commission provides grants to Georgia residents who have a traumatic brain injury (TBI) or traumatic spinal cord injury (SCI) for home access modifications

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- [AID Atlanta: Security Deposit Assistance Program \(SDAP\)](#)
The Security Deposit Assistance Program (SDAP) provides security deposit and first month rental assistance to people with HIV/AIDS who have a demonstrated need with establishing permanent residency.
- [Vital Options International: Selma Schimmel Vital Grant](#)
The grant program will assist those facing a significant financial hardship due to the diagnosis of a chronic, terminal or rare condition such as cancer, Parkinson's, Huntington's Disease or many others.
- [Leukemia And Lymphoma Society: Urgent Need Program](#)
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