

## General Information

The DuPage County Continuum of Care Homeless Prevention & Re-housing Services consists of a number of community agencies that receive an array of grant funding. These funds provide assistance to avoid eviction and homelessness of individuals or families experiencing a short-term economic crisis. The funds can also be used to assist homeless individuals or families in securing housing by providing short-term financial assistance and/or supportive services to eligible families. Homeless Prevention & Re-housing Services are designed to stabilize individuals and families in their existing homes, shorten the amount of time individuals and families stay in shelters and assist individuals and families with securing affordable housing.

### Services offered through this program include:

- Rental Assistance
- Mortgage Assistance
- Security Deposit Assistance
- Supportive Services to help obtain and maintain housing

Homeless prevention assistance from any provider may make a household ineligible for further financial assistance.

## Eligibility Criteria

All households must be able to meet and document the following eligibility criteria. Additional eligibility criteria may apply:

- Must be moving into or currently residing in DuPage County
- Must be in danger of eviction, foreclosure or currently homeless
- Must document ability to pay future rent and monthly expenses through current income or the development of a Personal Recovery Plan
- Must disclose any assistance received in the past 24 months
- The landlord or mortgage company must agree to accept payment and stop current eviction/foreclosure proceedings upon receipt of signed rent assistance voucher

Most grants require:

- Must document an unexpected recent drop in income, economic crisis or extenuating circumstance
- Have a current, valid lease
- Meet income guidelines corresponding with household size

DuPage County Continuum of Care Providers also offer the following services to assist individuals and families establish or stabilize their housing:

- Referrals to Emergency Shelter or Transitional Housing Programs
- Housing Resource Information- Information on Fair Market and Subsidized Housing in DuPage County
- Tenant/Landlord Rights Information
- Referrals for legal services
- Referrals for food, clothing and other basic services
- Referrals for education and employment services
- Short-term Case Management Services
- Referrals for credit repair services

### To apply for services:

Call DuPage County Community Services at (630) 407-6500. Ask to speak with an Information & Referral Specialist about services available. You may be referred to another homeless prevention provider, depending on your geographic location. Due to the nature of homeless prevention; applications for funding may need to be complete within the same month in which the application is taken. Funding is dependent on grants received from various sources.

## DuPage County Continuum of Care

### Homeless Prevention & Re-housing

#### Service Providers:

DuPage County-Department of  
Community Services

People's Resource Center

Catholic Charities

Outreach Community Ministries

Salvation Army

Hinsdale Community Service

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The DuPage County Continuum of Care-  
Homeless Prevention & Re-Housing  
Program does not discriminate in admission  
to programs or activities in compliance with  
the Illinois Human Rights Act; the U.S. Civil  
Rights Acts; The Fair Housing Act; Section  
504 of the Rehabilitation Act; the Age  
Discrimination Act; the Age Discrimination  
in Employment Act; and the U.S. and  
Illinois Constitutions.



### Homeless Prevention & Re-housing



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