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Senior Housing Options in Peabody

If you'd like assistance with the applications or information on other services, our Social Services Program provides information and referrals to Peabody seniors and their families by appointment. Please call 978-531-2254 to schedule an appointment.

Because the waiting lists are so long, it is important to:

- Apply for as many different housing programs as you can.
- See if you fit into any preferences or priorities so that you can improve your chances of getting to the top of the lists more quickly. For more on this, see Who Has Priority. <https://www.masslegalhelp.org/housing/who-has-priority>
- Request a written receipt for all applications you submit. They are your best proof that you have applied for a particular housing program and the date you applied.
- Keep track of your applications and your place on all the waiting lists.
- Notify all the places where you submitted applications of your new address if you move.

Housing in Peabody

<http://peabodycoalibrary.blogspot.com/2015/01/senior-housing-in-peabody.html>

Housing Navigator for Massachusetts

<http://peabodycoalibrary.blogspot.com/2022/06/find-housing-in-massachusetts.html>

Resources for homeless individuals and families

Emergency Family Shelter Assistance for pregnant individuals or families with a child under age 21: Apply over the phone for emergency shelter assistance: 1 (866) 584-0653

<https://www.mass.gov/how-to/find-emergency-family-shelter>

Individual shelters

<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/find-emergency-shelter>

State Aided Public Housing

Application for State-Aided Public Housing and the Alternative Housing Voucher Program (AHVP). To apply online, you must use the Common Housing

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Application for Massachusetts Public Housing (CHAMP) website. If you do not want to apply online, you can complete the CHAMP paper application. Both the online and paper applications are available in English, Chinese, Haitian Creole, Khmer, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish and Vietnamese.

State-Aided Public Housing is a housing program consisting of apartments that are owned by Local Housing Authorities (LHAs) which are directly rented to qualified and eligible applicants.

To apply, please use the CHAMP website: <https://www.mass.gov/champ> More information: <https://www.mass.gov/guides/how-to-apply-for-public-housing>

Homelessness Prevention Resources

Housing Consumer Education Centers - Housing Consumer Education Centers (HCEC) are available to assist you in obtaining and maintaining your housing. HCEC's assist tenants, landlords, homeowners/buyers and homeless households and individuals.

You may find your designated HCEC by visiting: www.masshousinginfo.org

Other helpful links:

A Guide to Obtaining Housing Assistance
Income-Restricted Housing
Guide
Housing Resource and Rental Assistance Guide

<https://www.mass.gov/guides/a-guide-to-obtaining-housing-assistance>