Resources for those experiencing homelessness or housing insecurity

"Someone is homeless in every city and town in Connecticut. Even if your town is considered affluent, has a quaint New England feel, or has an especially caring populace, homelessness lives where you do."

The Coalition on Housing & Homelessness



Start here for immediate help.

CALL 211 INFO LINE and press #3 and #1 if you are homeless or in a housing emergency. The state and federal government have taken a number of steps to help protect homeowners and renters impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak. Follow this link for information: Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) - Homeowners and Renters.

Calling 2-1-1 can connect you with a variety of resources

- 1. To begin the process of seeking assistance, persons experiencing homelessness or who are at imminent risk of homelessness must call 2-1-1. To reach a specialist trained to assess housing needs, press #3 and then #1.
- 2. Anyone seeking shelter in Connecticut must connect directly with 2-1-1.
- 3. 2-1-1 is your one-stop connection to the local services you need; housing, utility assistance, food, child care, after-school programs, elder care, crisis intervention, and much more.
- 4. 2-1-1 is always ready to assist you to find the help you need. Dial 2-1-1 or search online.

2-1-1 Connecticut Housing Information

Deep River Director of Social Services

Rosie Bininger • Phone: (860) 526-6033 • 56 High Street, Deep River, CT 06417

Hours of Operation: Tues 9:00 am to 12:00 pm ● Thurs 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm



Other Online Resources

Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness:

CCEH represents more than 100 members – emergency shelter providers, transitional housing providers, community and business leaders, and strategic partners – who share the goal of ending homelessness.

The Coalition on Housing & Homelessness:

The Coalition on Housing and Homelessness strives to end all types of homelessness in Middlesex County, Meriden, and Wallingford by increasing access to stable and affordable housing, ensuring individuals and families are able to secure shelter, and by increasing collaboration and civic engagement to address housing issues in our region.

Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services Housing and Homelessness Unit:

Housing and Homeless Services can be accessed through Coordinated Access Networks (CAN), which consist of community providers across the state who work with DMHAS eligible heads of households and individuals experiencing homelessness.

Youth and Family Homelessness Support

Every school district in the country is required to designate a homeless liaison. A local liaison is a local educational agency (LEA) staff person who will be responsible for working with homeless education issues in a school district.

Region 4's liaison is: Sarah Smalley

Director of Pupil Services 860-526-2417 x451 ssmalley@reg4.k12.ct.us

Runaway & Homeless Youth

National Runaway & Homeless Youth Services

Each year, thousands of U.S. youth run away from home, are asked to leave their homes or become homeless. Through the Runaway and Homeless Youth Program (RHY), FYSB supports street outreach, emergency shelters and longer-term transitional living and maternity group home programs to serve and protect these young people.

National Runaway Safeline 1-800-RUNAWAY (786-2929) ● Live Chat: www.1800runaway.org

CT Department of Children and Families, Support for Runaways



Ways for Deep River Residents to help:

Read Deep River's <u>Affordable Housing Plan</u> to learn about housing needs in Deep River.

Learn more about Connecticut River Council of Government's (RiverCog) regional housing plan. Regional Housing Plan

Donate to the **Deep River Food Pantry**.

Volunteer or Donate to the **Shoreline Soup Kitchens & Pantries**.