

433 Hay Street
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Homeless Services



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- Utility Deposit for Homeless Clients Program



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Community Development Programming

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Homeless Shelters and Local Services

Operation Inasmuch Homeless Center
531 Hillsboro Street
(910) 433-2161

Salvation Army Emergency Shelter
245 Alexander Street
(910) 483-8119

Cumberland Interfaith Hospitality Network - Women with Children
101 Stein Street
(910) 826-2454

Hope Center—Single Women
913 Person Street
(910) 364-2981

Family Endeavors - Veterans
2125 Valleygate Drive
(910) 672-6166

Center for Economic Empowerment and Development - CEED - Individuals and families
230 Hay Street
(910) 323-3377

Robin's Meadow Transitional Housing - Families
503 Old Wilmington Road
(910) 321-6582

Connections of Cumberland County
119 N Cool Spring Street
(910) 630-0107

Project For Assistance in Transitional Housing PATH Program—Mental illness assistance
(910) 323-6112

Funding
Funds are provided by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds.



Homeless Shelter Assistance Programs

Offering utility assistance for homeless shelter providers in emergency situations and an opportunity to be reimbursed for supplies purchased that help to maintain shelter operations

Emergency Utility Assistance for Homeless Shelter Providers

To assist homeless shelters during extreme cold or hot seasons when utilities are the most expensive, grant funds are designed to assist homeless shelter providers with utility expenses in emergency situations. These funds are not to be used to supplement other funding. The operating expenses of the homeless service provider should include utility expenses.

Types of payments

Only current utility bills will be paid (electricity, gas, or oil). No past due bills or late fees will be paid.

Maximum Assistance

Shelter provider utility assistance is limited to four times a year (if there is more than one account, each account counts as one). Maximum assistance is \$1000 per program year.

Shelter providers should call the Community Development Department for more information on application and eligibility.

Homeless Shelter Reimbursement Program

The City of Fayetteville Community Development Department works with local homeless shelters to provide services for the homeless. To help with daily expenses, qualified homeless shelters can submit receipts of no more than 30 days after the active quarter to the Community Development Department for reimbursement. Receipts must describe items purchased, date and cost. A completed application with all supporting documentation must be attached with each group of receipts for the quarter. Maximum amount of reimbursement per quarter is \$250.00. Maximum amount of reimbursement for the fiscal year is \$500.00.

Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for Homeless Shelter Assistance you must meet the following criteria:

- 501 (c) (3) tax status
- Operational for one year
- Provide recent tax audit
- Cannot mandate church or religious attendance
- Must be a member of the Continuum of Care
- Allow inspection of the facility by the Community Development Department
- Must provided complete application to the Community Development Department

Continuum of Care

The Continuum of Care is a community-based, long-ranged plan that addresses the needs of homeless persons in order to help them reach maximum self-sufficiency. The Continuum of Care is developed through collaboration with a broad cross section of the community and based on a thorough assessment of homeless needs and resources. The Continuum of Care is recommended by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) as a comprehensive and strategic approach to addressing homelessness.

Cumberland County Continuum of Care on Homelessness

To become a member of the Continuum of Care, shelter providers must apply for membership, attend and participate in the meetings and activities sponsored by the Cumberland County Continuum of Care Planning Council. For more information contact the Cumberland County Community Development Department at 323-6112.

Utility Deposit Assistance Program for Homeless Clients

The Utility Deposit Assistance Program provides a grant designed to assist homeless clients with out of pocket expenses needed to pay utility deposits (gas, electricity, water and sewer) when leaving transitional housing for private housing. The maximum amount of utility deposit shall not exceed \$300.00.

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for the Utility Deposit Assistance funds, a homeless client must be recommended from an eligible transitional housing organization. The client must have completed a financial literacy program conducted by an approved agency of the Continuum of Care Planning Council or the Community Development Department. The applicant must have been employed or financially stable for six months or more. If not employed, the applicant should be receiving monthly financial assistance from one of the following:

- Social Security Administration
- Veterans Administration
- Government Retirement
- Other sources of monthly income

Applying for the Utility Deposit Assistance Program

Referrals and applications must come from a Continuum of Care agency member to the City of Fayetteville Community Development Department.

The following information must accompany the application:

- Recent pay stubs
- A copy of the clients lease
- Letter of recommendation from transitional housing facility
- Certificate or letter of completion of Financial literacy course.

Homeless Assistance Program

The City of Fayetteville provides a police officer to assist the homeless with needed services to ensure their safety and well-being. Funds are provided to assist the officer in providing such needs as identification cards, blankets, toiletries and bus passes. You can contact the Homeless Project Officer at 433-1846.

Definition of Homelessness

The Homeless Emergency and Rapid Transition to Housing (HEARTH) Act

The HEARTH Act expands the definition of "homeless", "homeless individual", and "homeless person." The definition of "homeless" now includes:

- (1) people who resided in a shelter or place not meant for human habitation and who are exiting an institution where he or she temporarily resided;
- (2) people who are losing their housing in 14 days and lack support networks or resources to obtain housing,
- (3) people who have moved from place to place and are likely to continue to do so because of disability or other barriers, and
- (4) people who are victims of domestic violence and sexual assault.

