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Dear Reader:

With generous support from the Gardiner Howland Shaw Foundation (<u>www.shawfoundation.org</u>), Community Resources for Justice (CRJ) is proud to distribute this comprehensive directory of reentry services for previously incarcerated individuals in Greater Boston. The Coming Home Reentry Resource Directory is an effective tool to assist returning citizens, their families and support networks, as well as service providers, community leaders and government officials in establishing stability for people returning to our communities.

This Directory is presented by the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) at CRJ. For more than 130 years, CRJ has been providing direct care and supportive services to society's most challenged citizens. CRJ's direct service programs range from residential homes for adults with developmental disabilities to programs serving at-risk youth and men and women returning home from incarceration. In support of CRJ's mission, CJI provides nonpartisan consulting, policy analysis, and research services to improve public safety throughout the country. With our creative, collaborative approaches to today's most pressing and complex social and public safety problems, we are committed to improving public safety and human service delivery in Massachusetts and nationwide.

At CRJ, we know all too well that the transition from incarceration to the community is a difficult time for returning citizens, and this transition affects their families and the communities to which they return. The needs of the population returning from prison or jail can present significant obstacles to achieving stability. Yet, there are many services and agencies in our communities that provide the assistance that can mean the difference between success and return to prison or jail. This Directory is intended to identify and describe these services and distribute this information to as broad an audience as possible.

The Directory is based on the great foundation constructed by the Prisoner Reentry Working Group, the original authors of the Directory. CJI took over production in 2009 and continues to build on the good work that has been done.

The Coming Home Directory website can be found at www.cominghomedirectory.org. You can search the Directory in a number of ways, get contact information, and download and/or print the PDF version of the Directory. Due to the costs of producing the printed version, updates will be published in printed form, annually. However, this website will be updated on a rolling basis. Therefore, please visit the site for the most up-to-date information.

For more information about our organization, please visit:

Community Resources for Justice: <u>www.crj.org</u>

Crime and Justice Institute: www.crj.org/cji

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Introduction

Welcome to the Coming Home Reentry Resource Directory.

This Directory is a compilation of services available to previously incarcerated citizens returning to or living in communities in Greater Boston. The Directory presents important information for returning citizens, corrections practitioners and policymakers, as well as those with an interest in accessing services for returning citizens, including their families and friends, volunteers and other service providers. This Directory is presented by the Crime and Justice Institute (CJI) at Community Resources for Justice (CRJ).

What is the Purpose of the Directory?

The purpose of the Directory is to assist returning citizens – as well as their families, service providers and local agencies – improve their chances of success in the community by connecting them to services important for stability and success.

The transition from incarceration back into the community is a difficult time, and affects returning citizens as well as their families and communities. The needs of the population returning from prison or jail can present significant obstacles to achieving stability. Yet, there are many services and agencies in our communities that provide the type of assistance that can mean the difference between success and return to incarceration. This Directory is intended to identify and describe these services and distribute this information to as broad an audience as possible.

Who is the Directory for?

The Directory is primarily intended to benefit the following people and groups:

- Returning citizens
- Families and friends of returning citizens
- Service providers
- Corrections practitioners
- State and local agencies that provide services to people including returning citizens
- Policymakers interested in criminal justice and social service systems
- Researchers examining the services available to returning citizens in Massachusetts

How Do You Access the Directory?

In addition to the printed version, a website of the Directory is maintained by CJI. You can access this site by visiting www.cominghomedirectory.org. Information on the site is updated on a rolling basis. The hard-copy version of the Directory is printed annually and is available in limited numbers on a first-come, first-served basis from CJI. Due to resource limitations, we are unable to fulfill all individual requests and we strongly encourage users to access the online version of the Directory as it also contains the most up-to-date information.

Directory Limitation

The agencies listed in the Directory and on the website are not the only resources available. We have tried to include all appropriate agencies and organizations; however, some information may prove to be missing.

It is our intent to expand this list as more information is made available. To do this, we rely on the community of providers and users to assist us in maintaining accurate and relevant information. If you recognize inaccuracies about a service or agency in this Directory or on the website, or if you know of or are part of an agency you think should be included, please notify the editors. Update requests can be submitted via email or fax by submitting a completed "Agency Update/Addition" form located in the back of this Directory. You can also find copies of the form on the website by visiting the "Documents" webpage. The website is updated as quickly as possible and includes the most recent information available. The printed version of the Directory is updated annually.

The Directory is designed to connect people to services. The information for each organization in the printed version and on the website has been provided by the service provider or from the organization's website. The editors cannot and do not vouch for the accuracy or quality of the services available.



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Massachusetts Registry of Vital Records and Statistics (RVRS)

150 Mt. Vernon Street, 1st Floor Dorchester, MA 02125 Phone: 617-740-2600

vital.recordsrequest@state.ma.us; www.mass.gov/orgs/registry-of-vital-records-andstatistics

Services: The Registry collects, processes, corrects, and issues copies of birth, death, and marriage records that occur in Massachusetts. To obtain a copy of a birth, death, or marriage certificate you must have the subject's name, date of event, and Massachusetts town or city in which the event took place. If your parents were not married, you must have a picture ID. To obtain a birth certificate you will also need your parents' full names including mother's maiden name. Note that ONLY CERTIFIED COPIES of records are issued by the Registry of Vital Records and Statistics. You can obtain a certified copy in the following ways:

<u>In Person:</u> Go to the address above with required documentation in hand. The cost is \$20 per record. (The office is located next to the Bayside Expo Center, in the Bayside Office Center)

By Mail: Complete a Mail Order Form (available on the Registry website) to the above address with a check or money order payable to "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts" in a stamped self-addressed, business-size envelope. The cost is \$32 per record. Allow 20-30 business days for the record to be processed.

The cost for expedited mail service is \$42 for each certified copy. Address your envelope to the attention

of "Expedited Mail Service." Your order will be processed within seven to ten business days of receipt.

You may also request certified copies of records by telephone, internet, and fax. These service options are provided by VitalChek Network, Inc., an independent company that the Registry has partnered with to provide these options. An additional fee is charged by VitalChek for using this service (in addition to the fees described below), and all major credit cards are accepted.

You will need to supply the information indicated above and have a valid credit card if you choose to use any of the options listed below.

The cost for any of the following order formats is \$50, and each additional copy of the same record is \$42. Orders will be processed within seven to ten business days of receipt. For an additional charge of \$18.50 your order can be shipped next day delivery or for an additional charge of \$11.50 your order can be shipped second day delivery.

By Telephone: Place your order by calling: (617) 740-2606

<u>By Internet:</u> Submit an order through the VitalChek; website:

www.vitalchek.com/massachusetts-express-vital-records.aspx

By Fax: Place your order by faxing the FAX Order Form to this number: 1-866-550-2067

Service Hours: M - F: 8:45am - 4:45pm (RVRS Office)

ProCon.org: Voting Rights

https://felonvoting.procon.org/

Services: Ex-offender voting restrictions in Massachusetts: Individuals incarcerated for a felony conviction are ineligible to vote. Voting rights are automatically restored upon release from prison, and people on parole or probation can vote in Massachusetts. For more information, visit: https://felonvoting.procon.org/

Ex-offenders should re-register to vote. To register, visit link below.

To check on your voting eligibility and/or register to vote*: https://www.sec.state.ma.us/ovr/

Languages: *Offered in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Khmer

Cost: None

Registry Division, City of Boston

One City Hall Square, Room 213 Boston, MA 02201

Phone: 617-635-4175; Fax: 617-635-3775 registry@boston.gov; www.boston.gov/registry

Who to Contact: Boston Registrar for Birth, Death and Marriage

Services: The Registry Division maintains records for all births, marriages, and deaths for the City of Boston. If you were born in Boston you can obtain a birth certificate (or replacement certificate) by visiting the office in person or by mailing in a request.

In Person: The Registry is located in Room 213 in City Hall (2nd floor.) The cost is \$12.00 per certificate payable by cash, check, money order, credit or debit card. If the parents were not married at the time of the child's birth, the record is restricted to only those listed on the birth record and will require a valid ID. All copies are certified. A research fee of \$10.00 applies to records dated prior to 1870.

By Mail: You can also request that a certificate be mailed to you. You should print and complete a request form (found on the website), a photo copy of your ID and a self-addressed stamped envelope. The fee is \$14.00 per copy. Payment may be made by check or money order only, payable to the City of Boston. Do not send cash through the mail. Delivery usually takes about 3-4 weeks.

If you are looking for a birth, marriage, or death record that took place outside of Boston, contact that city or town directly.

Service Hours: M – F: 9am – 4 pm

Other Locations: See Massachusetts Registry of Vital

Records and Statistics listing.

Waiting Time: Delivery usually takes about 2 weeks

Secretary of the Commonwealth, Elections Division

McCormack Building
One Ashburton Place, Room 1705
Boston, MA 02108
Toll-free: 1-800-462-VOTE (8683)

Phone: 617-727-2828

elections@sec.state.ma.us; www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/

Services:

Voter Registration Information

Anyone can vote who is:

 18 years or older on Election Day (and who has met registration deadlines detailed below)

- A resident of Massachusetts
- A U.S. citizen
- Not currently incarcerated for a felony Incarcerated persons who have been convicted of a felony are prohibited from voting for any office (local, state or federal) in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Persons who are no longer incarcerated or who are in prison awaiting trial or who have been convicted of a misdemeanor may register to vote.

You must register at least 20 days before all primaries and elections.

To register in person: Go to your city or town hall election department or clerk's office. You can also register at one of several state offices, including the MA Department of Transitional Assistance, MA Rehabilitation Commission and the Registry of Motor Vehicles. You will be asked to complete an affidavit of registration, which must be answered truthfully under the penalty of perjury. The questions on the affidavit will include your name, residence and date of birth.

<u>To register by mail</u>: To obtain a mail-in registration form please call 617-727-2828 or 1-800-462-VOTE and a form will be sent to you. Or, you can download a MA Voter Registration form at:

www.sec.state.ma.us/ele/eleifv/howreg.htm

Mail the completed form to your local city or town hall. You should receive a confirmation notice in 2 to 3 weeks. If you do not, please contact your local election office to verify your voting status.

If you are registering to vote for the first time in Massachusetts you will need to send in a copy of your identification with your voter registration form. Acceptable identification must include your name and the address at which you are registered to vote, for example: a current and valid driver's license, photo identification, current utility bill, bank statement, paycheck, government check, or other government document showing your name and address.

<u>Previously registered</u>: Contact your local City or Town Clerk to see if your old registration is still valid. If your address has changed to a new city or town, you must register again. If you have moved within your city or town, you must notify the Election Department.

Non-English speaking: May register to vote. Ask for assistance when registering.

<u>Homeless people</u>: Have the right to vote even if they are living on the street and do not have a street address. The Registration Form has a space for drawing

a diagram of the streets where homeless sleep. Call the office of the Secretary of State at 617-727-2828 if problems arise during registration.

Persons in prison who have NOT been convicted of a felony, awaiting trial or convicted of a misdemeanor, can vote by Absentee Ballot and these ballots can be obtained for them by friends or family. For the address, use last place of residence in Massachusetts.

Service Hours: M - F 8am - 5pm (Contact local town/city election dept. for local hours)

Requirements & Restrictions: See <u>Voter Registration</u> Information in the Services section.

Languages: English, Spanish, Chinese, Vietnamese

Social Security Administration

Phone: 1-800-772-1213 TTY: 1-800-325-0778 www.ssa.gov/

Services: Top Services include:

- Get or replace a Social Security card
- Apply for benefits including: Retirement, spouses and/or Medicare benefits; Survivors benefits; Disability benefits for children or adults; Child's benefits; Parents benefits; and Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Get extra help with Medicare prescription drug costs
- Appeal a disability decision

To apply for a replacement or a new Social Security card and you are a U.S. citizen, you must complete Form SS-5: Application for a Social Security Card. This form is available from a Social Security office or you can download it from the web site. The form requires your mailing address, your date of birth, place of birth, and a daytime telephone number. The form also requests the names of your mother and father and their social security numbers, however this information is not required unless you are under 18 years old. You must complete and sign the form in Black or Blue ink.

To complete the application for a replacement card, you will need a picture identification and must know your Social Security number. Replacements are limited to 3 per year and 10 per lifetime.

Non-U.S. citizens must complete the requirements above and in addition must provide documents proving immigration status and work eligibility.

Staff will accept DOC Discharge papers as proof of identity when applying for disability; it should be the original, not a copy. DOC Discharge papers are not

accepted as identification for obtaining a replacement card. Forms and other information are available on the web site listed above.

Service Hours: Office hours vary on location; see Other Locations.

Other Locations:

Cambridge/Somerville:

10 Fawcett Street, 1st Floor, 02138 M, T, Th, F: 9am – 4pm; Th: 9am – 12pm

Downtown Boston:

O'Neill Federal Building, 10 Causeway St., Room 148, 02222 (next to the TD Bank North Garden)
M, T, Th, F: 9am – 4pm; W: 9am – 12pm

Dorchester:

115 Freeport St., 02122

M, T, Th, F: 9am – 4pm; W: 9am – 12pm

Malden:

192 Commercial Street, 02148

M, T, Th, F: 9am – 4pm; W: 9am – 12pm

Roxbury Office:

10 Malcolm X Blvd, 02119 (at Dudley Square, across from Post Office)

M, T, Th, F: 9am - 4pm; W: 9am - 12pm

Roslindale:

4238 Washington St. 02131 (next to Municipal Building in Roslindale Square)

M, T, Th, F: 9am – 4pm; W: 9am – 12pm

Languages: Telephone service and web site information are available in English and Spanish. Interpreter services provided for other languages in office

Social Security: Benefits After Incarceration

Phone: 1-800-772-1213 TTY: - 1-800-325-0778 www.ssa.gov/reentry/

Services: This website and phone number offer information on employment and benefits (such as health care, food, and shelter) for those transitioning to the community.

Three65DAD INC. (365DAD)

See in Category: Families

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Office of Child Support Enforcement

Child Support Enforcement Division, Department of
Revenue
PO Box 9561
Boston, MA 02114-9561*

Phone: (800) 332-2733

Phone (For local callers in the Boston area): (617) 660-

1234

Fax (MA): (617) 887-7570 www.acf.hhs.gov/css/parents

Services: The federal Office of Child Support Enforcement partners with federal, state, tribal, and local governments and others to promote parental responsibility so that children receive reliable support from both of their parents as they grow to adulthood. The OSCE provides resources for parents, grandparents, and children including the following help pages:

- How Do You Get Child Support?
- Applying for Child Support
- Making a Payment
- Changing an Order
- International Cases
- Tribal Cases
- How Does Child Support Work?
- What Happens if Child Support Isn't Paid?
- Who Else Do We Help
- Incarcerated Parents
- Military and Veterans

Other Locations: *PO Box listed above is for mailing inquires and requested documentation only.

A list of all OSCE offices across the country is available at their website.

Requirements & Restrictions: The webpages listed here are online resources, the OSCE does not provide services directly to families.

Languages: The OSCE also provides a number of resources in Spanish, visit the website for more information.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, IRIS

See in Category: Veterans

Work Opportunity Tax Credit, U.S. Department of Labor

19 Staniford Street, 1st Fl. Boston, MA 02114

Phone: 617-626-5353; Fax: 617-727-8671 wotc@detma.org; https://www.mass.gov/lwd/wotc/

Who to Contact: WOTC Information Line

Services: The Work Opportunity Tax Credit is a federal program designed to encourage employers to hire individuals who might not otherwise find employment.

Employers who agree to hire individuals from a "target group" may qualify for a tax credit.

The "target group" includes "an ex-felon who has been convicted of a felony and has a hiring date which is not more than one year after the last date on which he was so convicted or released from prison." It also may include, under certain circumstances, members of a family receiving food stamps or TANF benefits, SSI recipients and veterans.

Requirements & Restrictions: There are no walk-ins. Call or e-mail for information or use the website which is very informative.

Clothing

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

See in Category: Food

Boomerangs

716 Centre Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Phone (Jamaica Plain location): 617-524-5120 boomerangs@aac.org; www.shopboomerangs.org/

Services: New, vintage, and gently used clothing, books, housewares, electronics, and furniture are for sale.

Boomerangs is owned and operated by AIDS Action Committee of MA, Inc. and all proceeds from Boomerangs support AIDS Action's work.

Service Hours:

Jamaica Plain:

Mon. - Wed., Sat. 10am - 7pm

Thur. - Fri. 10am-8pm

Sun. 11am - 6pm

West Roxbury:

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 7pm; closed Sun.

Central Square:

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 8pm

Sun. 11am - 6pm

South End:

Mon. Closed

Tue. - Wed., Sat.-Sun. 11am - 6pm

Thu. - Fri. 11am - 7pm

Other Locations:

West Roxbury:

1870 Centre St.

617-323-0262

Central Square:

563 Massachusetts Ave

Cambridge

617-758-6128

South End:

1407 Washington St.

Boston

617-456-0996

Brighton Allston Congregational Church: Thrift Shop and Food Pantry

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Garment District: Clothing By-The-Pound

200 Broadway Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-876-5230

Toll Free Phone: 888-482-1632 service@garmentdistrict.com; https://garmentdistrict.com/

Services: The Garment District is a large retail clothing store stocking all styles of women's and men's new and used clothes, shoes, and accessories. One section of the store is called "By The Pound" where shoppers may buy clothing for \$2 a pound (\$1 a pound on Fridays).

Service Hours: General Store: Sun. - Fri. 11am - 8pm; Sat. 9am - 8pm. By The Pound: Sun. - Thur. 11am-8pm, Fri. 11am-6pm, Sat. 9am-8pm. Closed Thanksgiving and Christmas Day

Goodwill Stores

1010 Harrison Avenue Boston, MA 02119

Phone (1010 Harrison Ave location): 617-541-1270 Fax (1010 Harrison Ave location): 617-541-1470

www.goodwill.org/

Services: Quality, low cost items including new or gently used clothing, household goods, small appliances, and some furniture are sold.

Service Hours: M - Sat: 9am - 7pm; Sun: 12pm - 6pm. Hours vary by location, see Other Locations.

Other Locations:

Allston/Brighton

965 Commonwealth Avenue

617-254-0112

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 8pm

Sun. 12pm - 6pm

<u>Cambridge</u>

520 Massachusetts Avenue

617-868-6330

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 7pm

Sun. 12pm - 6pm

Jamaica Plain

678 Centre Street

617-522-1415

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 8pm

Sun. 12pm - 6pm

Somerville

230 Elm Street

617-628-3618

Mon. - Sat. 10am - 8pm

Sun. 11am - 6pm

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South Boston

470 W. Broadway 617-307-6367

Mon. – Sat. 10am – 7pm

Sun. 12pm - 6pm

Haley House

See in Category: Housing

Harvest Food Pantry

See in Category: Food

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

See in Category: Other Groups

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC)

See in Category: Other Groups

Pilgrim Church

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Salvation Army Family Thrift Stores

483 Broadway Medford, MA 02155 Phone: 781-395-9783 satruck.org/

Services: Clothing, small appliances, some furniture. Vouchers available for low income and/or elderly at 1500 Washington Street, Boston. Call 617-236-7233 for info.

Service Hours: M - Sat. 9am - 5:30pm

Other Locations:

Chelsea:

456 Broadway 617-884-9323

M - Sun: 9am - 3pm

Dorchester:

Children's Learning Center

26 Wales Street 617-436-2480

Wilmington:

625 Main St 978-988-9488

Solutions at Work

See in Category: Employment

St. Francis House

See in Category: Food

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Urban Renewals

630 American Legion Highway Roslindale, MA 02131

Phone: 617-522-7383

www.familythrift.com/boston-ma

Services: Items available for purchase include: clothing, shoes, bedding, and some furniture. Cash only; ATM in

store.

Service Hours: M - Sat: 9am - 6pm; Sun: 12pm - 5pm

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CORI

Boston Bar Association & Greater Boston Legal Services CORI Clinic

See in Category: Legal

Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)

See in Category: Legal

Dorchester Community CORI Project

Dorchester Court (1st floor) 510 Washington Street Dorchester, MA 02124

Phone: 617-371-1234 ext. 1554 or 1545

Toll-Free: 800-323-3205 TDD: 617-371-1228 Fax: 617-371-1222

www.gbls.org/our-work/cori-and-re-entry-project

Who to Contact: Terry Schnicker and Ventura Dennis

Services: The Dorchester Community CORI Project is a program of Greater Boston Legal Services in collaboration with volunteer lawyers from the MBA and other bar groups. Free legal advice and some representation on CORI related employment and other CORI issues. The Project puts on community education events targeted to Roxbury and Dorchester residents.

There is a CORI table for walk-ins at the Dorchester courthouse. The CORI Table is next to the clerk's office on the 1st floor. At other times, call GBLS for an intake from 9am to 5pm Mon-Fri. If there is a very high volume of calls, you may be put on hold, but your call will eventually be answered.

Also see the Directory listings for Greater Boston Legal Services and Roxbury Community CORI Project.

Service Hours: 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month, 9am - 12pm (except for 4th Wed. in December)

Other Locations:

Greater Boston Legal Services
197 Friend Street, Boston

Other CORI help available at:

- -Roxbury Court
- -Boston Municipal Court

Requirements & Restrictions: Free CORI report if at or below 150% of poverty guidelines. Legal representation in court if at or near 150% of federal poverty guidelines and live in the Boston area (GBLS service area – see website for listing of cities and towns).

Waiting Time: Usually none

Languages: Interpreters are available for non-English speakers by phone if not in person at the courthouse.

Eastern Regional Legal Intake (ERLI)

See in Category: Legal

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School

See in Category: Legal

Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination

See in Category: Legal

Massachusetts Department of Criminal Justice Information Services-CORI Unit

200 Arlington Street, Suite 2200 Chelsea, MA 02150 Phone: 617-660-4640

Fax: 617-660-4613

www.mass.gov/criminal-record-check-services

Who to Contact: Front Desk

Services: CORI Unit Overview: The Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) Support Services Unit provides CORI to registered organizations, non-criminal justice agencies such as schools, day care centers, home health aides, youth athletic coaches, and municipal government agencies. Individuals may also obtain a copy of their personal criminal record from the CORI Support Services Unit.

The Unit also assists in correcting inaccurate criminal records, investigates complaints of improper access to or dissemination of CORI, and provides legal assistance on matters relating to the CORI law to police, prosecutors, judges, and the public.

For additional information, or answers to questions not found on the CORI Unit website, please contact the Department of Criminal Justice Information Services CORI Unit at (617) 660-4640.

Service Hours: M - F: 8am - 6pm

MassLegalHelp

See in Category: Legal

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

Out For Good, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

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Project Place: Employment, Job Training, & Resource Services

See in Category: Employment

Roxbury Community CORI Project

Roxbury Divison, Boston Municipal Court 85 Warren Street Roxbury, MA 02119

Phone: 617-371-1234 TDD: 617-371-1228

Toll-free: 800-323-3205 Fax: 617-371-1222

pquirion@gbls.org; www.gbls.org/impactadvocacy/cori-and-re-entry-project

Who to Contact: Pauline Quirion

Services: The Roxbury Community CORI Project is a program of Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) which collaborates with Harvard Law School, New England Law, and volunteer lawyers of the Boston Bar Association and Boston law firms. Attorneys and supervised law students provide free legal advice and represent almost all of the individuals trying to seal cases in the Roxbury courthouse. Expungement cases, appeals, and systemic CORI problems also handled. The Project puts on community education events targeted to Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan residents.

Service Hours: Roxbury Court holds hearings on petitions to seal records on the 3rd Thursday of the month. There is a CORI table for walk-ins on the 2nd floor of the Roxbury courthouse from 9am-12pm on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Dorchester Court, 510 Washington St., Dorchester (1st floor near Clerk's office) on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 9am-12pm, but not the 4th Wednesday in December or on holidays.

Other times, call GBLS for an intake from 9am-5pm, M-F at 617-371-1234 or 617-603-1700. If there is a very high volume of calls, you may be put on hold, but your call will eventually be answered.

Other Locations:

Greater Boston Legal Services 197 Friend Street Boston, MA 02114 617-371-1234

Requirements & Restrictions: Income limitations (usually restricted to persons with incomes less than 125% of federal poverty guidelines) are applicable, with the exception of elderly clients and Medicare

beneficiaries who are not subject to the income guidelines.

Languages: Interpreters are available for non-English speakers by phone if not in person at the courthouse.

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Union of Minority Neighborhoods

See in Category: Other Groups

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Disability

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

60 Temple Place Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-338-6665 TTY: 617-338-6662

Fax: 617-338-6661

chall-herborg@bostoncil.org; bostoncil.org/
Who to Contact: Information and Referral Specialist
Services: Assisting people with a disability to live as full a
life as possible through:

- Adult skills training assistance (including areas such as employment, housing, social/recreation, education, and financial issues)
- Assisting with information and referrals (affordable and accessible housing, health insurance, CORI, civil rights for disabled persons, transportation, home modifications, equipment, and other related services)
- Peer mentoring
- Individual advocacy
- Personal Care Assistance Program (PCA) for people with a disability who need physical care assistance and have MassHealth Standard coverage
- Youth Services Program for individuals ages 14 to 22 that includes Peer Mentoring, Skills Training, Information and - Referral, and Advocacy (Individual must still be in high school)

Service Hours: M - F: 8:45am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Any individual/family

member with a verifiable disability

Waiting Time: Appointments are recommended but

walk-ins are not turned away.

Languages: English, French, Haitian Creole, Spanish, Portuguese, Cape Verdean Creole, ASL, Russian, Luganda, Swahili, Runyankore, other languages accommodated through language line

Community Legal Services & Counseling Center

See in Category: Legal

Disability Law Center

11 Beacon Street, Suite 925 Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-723-8455 Toll-Free: 1-800-872-9992 Fax: 617-723-9125

mail@dlc-ma.org; www.dlc-ma.org/

Who to Contact: Intake staff

Services: DLC is the federally mandated protection and advocacy (P&A) system in Massachusetts. We receive most of our funding from the federal government. The majority of our funding must be devoted to our core functions of monitoring and investigating abuse and neglect in places where people with disabilities live and receive services. The work we do with any other resources we have must be prioritized to guide the work of our legal staff and provide the structure required by these other funding sources.

DLC advocates for the interests of people with disabilities mostly through systemic reform in the courts and other legal forums. This is the work that is tied to our priorities that is not included in our core function of addressing abuse and neglect, which is our primary priority.

We provide information, referral, technical assistance and representation regarding legal rights and services for people with disabilities.

We provide legal services to eligible people and groups whose cases meet DLC's priorities. (See list above)

We seek to strike a balance between systemic advocacy and individual representation.

Our experienced lawyers and paralegals conduct trainings for community groups and other advocacy organizations.

The work described below includes the cases we take to represent a limited number of individuals as well lawsuits we file to address widespread legal violations. Each year the DLC publishes a list of priorities to focus on. The priorities for the types of cases we will take for 2019 are as follows:

Human Rights Issues

- Abuse and Neglect and Serious and systemic violations of human rights of individuals with mental health disabilities residing in facilities and individuals with developmental disabilities.
- Person who is Deaf/Hard of Hearing encounters barriers related to communication access when interacting with law enforcement

Education Issues

- Students with disabilities currently receiving SSI/SSDI

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and in need of an accommodation within their academic environment

 Abuse and Neglect and Serious and systemic violations of human rights of students with disabilities in school facilities (for example: restraint and seclusion OR allegations of physical, emotional, or sexual abuse of students in educational environments (whether residential or not))

Employment Issues

- Work related overpayment from SSA
- Beneficiaries of SSI/SSDI who are experiencing discrimination based on their disability at work

Housing Issues (within the United Way Service Area)

- Reasonable Accommodations
- Disability-related evictions
- Subsidy termination for disability-related reasons

Health Care Issues

Access to effective communication in health care setting

Voting Issues

- Voting issues related to disability

Victim of Crime Issues

- Community Inclusion
- Education
- Employment
- Health Care
- Housing
- Human Rights
- Public Accommodation
- Human Rights
- Public Accommodation

Service Hours: Office Hours: M-F: 9am - 5pm; Intakes:

M,T,Th, F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Issue must be disability

related and client must have a disability.

Languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, and other languages are provided through interpreter services

Goodwill's Pathway to Employment Initiative: Job Training and Placement Services

See in Category: Employment

HomeStart, Inc.

See in Category: Housing

Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)

See in Category: Transportation

Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination

See in Category: Legal

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, (MRC)

600 Washington Street Boston, MA 02111 General: 617-204-3600 Voice/TDD: 800-245-6543

Fax: 617-727-1354

MRC.generalinformation@Massmail.State.MA.US; www.mass.gov/orgs/massachusetts-rehabilitation-commission

Services: The Vocational Rehabilitation Program helps people with physical, psychiatric, and/or learning disabilities to face the challenges of the modern workplace and maintain employment. Priority is given to those who are found to have the most severe disabilities in areas such as communication, mobility, work tolerance, and work skills.

Any individual with a disability can inquire about obtaining services. Friends, relatives, and health care providers can also refer an individual to MRC. Call the office and make an appointment for an orientation meeting.

There are many offices in the state; three are listed below. The Downtown Boston area office serves the following communities: Back Bay, Beacon Hill, Boston, Brighton, Charlestown, Chelsea, Dedham, part of Dorchester, East Boston, Kenmore Square, North End, Revere, South Boston, West End, and Winthrop. For a complete description of MRC services, visit the MRC Website listed above. Welcome sessions are held most every Wednesday at 10am.

Service Hours: M - F: 8:45am - 5pm

Other Locations: Braintree Area Office

220R Forbes Rd., Braintree; T/TTY: 781-356-8840

Roxbury Area Office

40 Dimock St., Roxbury; T/TTY: 617-442-5510

Somerville Area Office

5 Middlesex Ave. 3rd Floor, Somerville; T: 617-776-2662

TTY: 617-776-4242

For a statewide listing of MRC area offices, visit the MRC's Vocational Rehabilitation Area Offices Webpage.

Requirements & Restrictions: Programs are for persons with disabilities. Some services may have other eligibility requirements. Must be a Massachusetts resident and eligible to work in the U.S.

Languages: English, Spanish, Mandarin and Cantonese,

Creole

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New England Index: Information on Disabilities Exchange

55 Lake Avenue North S3-301

Worcester, MA 06155 Phone: 774-455-4056

manager@neindex.org; neindex.org/

Who to Contact: Information Specialist

Services: Call or visit the website for information on:

- Disability-related topics including health and mental health resources
- Disability information on specialized training and education programs
- Assistive technology equipment and resources
- Disability-specific questions and concerns
- Referrals

Service Hours: M - F: 8am - 3pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Referrals are only available within Massachusetts.

The Federation for Children with Special Needs

529 Main Street Suite 1M3 Boston, MA 02129 Phone: 617-236-7210

Fax: 617-241-0330 fcsninfo@fcsn.org; fcsn.org/

Services: The Federation provides workshops (many of which are free) to educate and empower families who have children with special needs. Workshops and projects are divided into five centers:

Special Education Parent Center: Focuses on providing support, information, training and workshops related to special education to families of children with special needs (includes our outreach programming to culturally and linguistically underserved families). Through a variety of activities, parents can learn about the special education process (including IEP, Basic Rights, Transition Planning, MCAS, etc.) so that they can best support their child.

Family Support Center: Focuses on providing parent to parent support for families who have children with special health care needs or disabilities; women, children, adolescents and young adults infected/affected by HIV/AIDS; families of young children with early childhood mental health issues; and families who have a serious mental health challenges and complex DCF cases with child custody concerns.

Health Advocacy Center: Focuses on providing healthcare information and support to families of children with special needs, and programming that helps build capacity for family partnerships and supports partnership activities between managed care organizations and parents around improved access to services and supports

<u>Family and Community Engagement Center:</u> Offers education improvement services to districts and schools in Massachusetts, partnering with districts and schools to improve student achievement and school performance through strengthening family and community engagement policies. The Center also trains community volunteers to act as "surrogate parents" for educational decision-making for students whose parents are not available.

<u>Parent-Professional Leadership Center:</u> Focuses on activities that help build collaborative relationships among key education stakeholders (parents, educators, other professionals, and community partners) ensuring systemic efforts at improving educational outcomes for all students.

Requirements & Restrictions: The Federation provides information, support, and assistance to parents of children with disabilities.

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Domestic Violence

Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence

P.O. Box 120108 Boston, MA 02112 Phone: 617-338-2355 Fax: 617-338-2354

info@atask.org; www.atask.org/site/

Services: The Asian Task Force Against Domestic Violence primarily serves Asian families and individuals in Massachusetts who suffer or are at risk of suffering from domestic violence. The hotline connects callers with emotional support in their preferred language, and can also point callers to referral services.

- Linguistically and culturally appropriate case management
- Legal advocacy
- Housing assistance
- Medical and healthcare advocacy
- Income stabilization
- Emergency shelter
- Life skills classes
- Information about domestic and intimate partner violence
- Safety planning
- Emotional support
- Crisis screening & triage
- Information about community resources
- Referral to an ATASK advocate
- ESOL classes
- 24-hour multilingual helpline

Service Hours: Multilingual Helpline available 24/7. ATASK advocates available M-F, 9-5pm, if follow up is needed.

Other Locations: Lowell, MA

Languages: Bahasa Indonesian, Bangla, Cantonese, Chiu Chau (Teochew), English, Gujatari, Hindi, Japanese, Khmer (Cambodian), Korean, Lao, Mandarin, Manipuri, Mien, Mien, Nepali, Punjabi, Shanghainese, Tagalog (Filipino), Taishanese, Thai, Taiwanese, Urdu, Vietnamese

> **Bay State Community Services** See in Category: Other Groups

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Casa Myrna

451 Blue Hill Avenue Boston, MA 02121 Phone: 617-521-0100 Fax: 617-521-0105

SafeLink 24/7 Hotline: 1-877-785-2020 info@casamyrna.org; www.casamyrna.org/
Services: Casa Myrna's Boston-based services help people who have experienced domestic violence to recover from the trauma of abuse and begin to build sustainable self-sufficiency. All services are free of charge and can be provided in English or in Spanish. Casa Myrna operates Safelink, the statewide 24/7 domestic violence crisis hotline (see Safelink listing for more information). Casa Myrna also operates three residential programs (shelters) in Boston for adults and their children made homeless by domestic and dating violence. People of any gender can participate in Casa Myrna's programs.

Services Provided:

- Safety Planning victims of domestic violence learn how they and their families can stay safe
- Supportive Listening we provide a safe space in which to talk about what's happening in your relationship
- Direct connection to domestic violence shelter programs across Massachusetts
- Referrals to local domestic violence and community services
- Support and resources for anyone who is concerned about a victim of domestic violence

Supportive Services:

- Legal Advocacy Program: This program seeks to address the unmet legal needs of victims of domestic violence who, due to linguistic, cultural, and financial barriers, would not be able to access representation through normal channels. Lawyers and legal staff assist survivors with abuse prevention orders, child custody and support, divorce, immigration, and housing. The program includes a Legal HelpLine (617.521.0146), where callers can leave a message at any time. Call the Legal Helpline or SafeLink for more information.
- Counseling Services: Trained counselors provide individual therapy and support groups for victims of domestic violence, as well as referrals

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- to specialized counseling services in the community. Email counseling@casamyrna.org or call SafeLink for more information.
- Housing Advocacy: Housing Specialists work with survivors who have been made homeless by domestic violence, or who need to find alternative housing options due to ongoing violence in their homes. Participants are helped to assess their housing needs and given guidance in identifying, applying for, and securing permanent, affordable housing. The program also helps secure donations of household items and assistance with moving expenses. Email housing@casamyrna.org or call SafeLink for more information.
- SOAR (Stability, Opportunity, Achievement, Results): A Self-Sufficiency Specialist works with survivors as they set and pursue educational, vocational and employment goals, teaching them to budget, save, and plan for sustainable self-sufficiency. The program provides 5-week workshops and individual counseling sessions that help victims of domestic violence learn to review their credit histories, repair bad credit, open savings or checking accounts and master the realities of budgeting and sound financial planning. Email soar@casamrna.org or call SafeLink for more information.
- Community Advocacy: Bilingual Spanish/English Community Advocacy Specialists are available at sites throughout Boston, including Dorchester District Court, Roxbury District Court, South End Community Health Center, Upham's Corner Health Center, Brookview House, and the Family Justice Center Boston. Call 617.521.0116 for current schedule.

Service Hours: Supportive services are available by appointment during standard office hours. Hotline is 24/7

Languages: English, Spanish

Community Legal Services & Counseling Center

See in Category: Legal

EMERGE (Batterer's Intervention)

2464 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 101 Cambridge, MA 02140 Main Office: 617-547-9879 Fax: 617-547-0904

info@emergedv.com; www.emergedv.com

Who to Contact: Intake staff

Services: Emerge is a group counseling and education program for men and women who are abusive in intimate partner relationships. Emerge sees clients who have been abusive in heterosexual and same-sex relationships. Emerge also has an Anger Management program and a fatherhood group. All programs satisfy court/probation and DCF requirements.

The Emerge website provides up-to-date information on other domestic violence programs and resources including a list of resources for survivors.

Other Locations: Spanish groups are held at Curtis Hall Community Center, 20 South St, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Requirements & Restrictions: Group members must admit to having been physically, emotionally, verbally, economically, or sexually abusive to a partner in an intimate relationship for the Abuser Intervention Program. For the Anger Management Program, the incident(s) must be non-intimate partner related (e.g. involving coworkers, strangers, friends, or other family members).

Languages: English, Spanish for Abuser Education, Anger Management, and Fatherhood programs.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

See in Category: Emergency Assistance

National Domestic Violence Hotline

See in Category: Hotlines

On The Rise, Inc. See in Category: Other Groups

REACH Beyond Domestic Violence

Phone: 1-800-899-4000 www.reachma.org/

Services: REACH provides safety and support to survivors of abuse. Callers can speak with advocates about getting to safety or for a compassionate listening ear. The Hotline also provides referrals and information about other REACH services.

Service Hours: 24/7

Languages: English, can accommodate other languages

through secure translators

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RESPOND, Inc.

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Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

SafeLink

See in Category: Hotlines

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

The Network – La Red See in Category: LGBTQ+

WilmerHale Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School

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Education

ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

178 Tremont Street Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-348-6000 TTY: 617-423-9215 www.bostonabcd.org/

Who to Contact: Ask for program or service

Services: Programs include adult education, GED preparation, English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), employment and training, health services, food pantries, fuel assistance, housing assistance, early education and care, youth services, citizenship assistance, and elder services. Some ABCD neighborhood sites offer assistance with the Earned Income Tax Credit, tax preparation, and financial literacy.

Call for further information about each program.

Referral from Hunger Hotline (800-645-8333) required for many food pantry services. Call M - F: 8am - 7pm or Sat: 10am - 2pm.

Service Hours: Downtown office: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations:

Allston-Brighton Neighborhood Opportunity Center

(NOC)

640 Washington Street, Suite 203

Brighton

617-903-3640

Asian American Civic Association

87 Tyler St. 5th Floor Chinatown, Boston 617-426-9492

Dorchester Neighborhood Service Center

110 Claybourne St.

Dorchester

617-288-2700

East Boston Area Planning Action Council (APAC)

21 Meridian St. East Boston

617-567-8857

Roxbury/N. Dorchester NOC

565 Warren Street

Roxbury

617-442-5900

Jamaica Plain APAC

30 Bickford St. Jamaica Plain (in the Bromley Health

Housing Development)

617-522-4250

JFK Family Service Center

23A Moulton St. Charlestown 617-241-8866

Mattapan Family Service Center

535 River St. Mattapan 617-298-2045

Mystic Valley Opportunity Center

11 Dartmouth St

Suite 104

Malden

781-321-2501

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center

1 Michelangelo St.

Boston

617-523-8125

Parker Hill/Fenway Neighborhood Service Center

714 Parker St.

Roxbury

617-445-6000

South Boston APAC

424 W. Broadway St.

South Boston

617-269-5160

South End Neighborhood Service Center

554 Columbus Ave. Boston

617-267-7400

South End NSC has a program specifically for ex-

offenders

ABCD South Side

19 Corinth St.

Roslindale

617-327-1152

South Boston Head Start - Old Colony

125 Mercer St.

South Boston

617-752-4449

Requirements & Restrictions: Most programs are open to residents of Boston and nearby suburbs. Suburban residents should call and check on eligibility. Some programs also have income-eligibility requirements.

Languages: English, Spanish, French, Creole, Somali, Arabic, Italian, Portuguese, Chinese, Vietnamese,

Bosnian. Ask about specific languages at program or neighborhood office when calling.

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

See in Category: Food

ASA College Planning Center

700 Boylston Street Boston Public Library Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-536-0200

Toll-free: 877-332-4348 (877-ED-AID-4U)

Fax: 617-536-4737

cpcoutreach@asa.org; www.asa.org/college-planning-

centers/

Services: ASA College Planning Centers promote educational opportunities for all, especially low-income individuals and those who are the first generation in their families to attend college. Their programs provide guidance and information directly to adults, students and their families on planning and paying for higher education, such as technical, vocational and business-oriented schools, or four-year liberal arts colleges.

ASA has advised many returning citizens in the past and is familiar with the kinds of assistance returning citizens may require in accessing higher education. ASA provides help with completing college and financial aid applications and with career planning.

ASA can provide college application fee waivers to qualified low-income participants. ASA can also work with individuals to get previous educational loans out of default.

The website has links to colleges and scholarship search databases.

Service Hours: Main location: M - Th: 10am - 6pm; F & Sat: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations: *For each location, please call the main office first at 617-536-0200 for details and to schedule an appointment.

Brockton – Career Works 231 Main Street, Brockton

<u>Chelsea – Bunker Hill Community College</u> 175 Hawthorne Street, Bellingham Square

<u>Chinatown – Asian-American Civic Association</u> 87 Tyler Street, Boston 617-426-9492

<u>Dorchester – Codman Square Branch Library</u> 690 Washington Street <u>Hyde Park – Hyde Park Branch Library</u> 35 Harvard Avenue, Boston

Roxbury – Egleston Square Branch Library 1044 Columbus Avenue

<u>South Boston – South Boston Branch Library</u> 646 East Broadway

<u>Charlestown – Charlestown Center for Adult Education</u> 76 Monument Street

Languages: English, Chinese, Spanish, Creole, and

French

Asian-American Civic Association

87 Tyler Street, 5th Floor Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-426-9492

Fax: 617-482-2316 TTY: 617-426-9157

info@aaca-boston.org; www.aaca-boston.org/ **Services:** Provides education, occupational training, and social services to economically disadvantaged people with limited English. AACA has six major components:

<u>The Workforce Development Center</u> provides vocational training for adults. The agency operates training programs involving banking and finance, facilities maintenance, automotive repair, computers, and job readiness workshops.

<u>The Education Center</u> offers basic English classes for speakers of other languages, intermediate English classes to help students prepare for college or enter skills training, and distance learning.

<u>The Multi-Service Center</u> provides assistance with immigration, housing, job counseling, health insurance, primary care, food stamps, social security, home heating oil, income tax preparation, college applications and access, individual/family counseling, and referrals.

<u>Sampan</u> is a bi-weekly newspaper that provides news about community concerns and development, health, arts and entertainment to the greater Boston Asian American community.

<u>Buds & Blossoms Early Education & Care Center</u> is committed to educating the whole child from infancy through preschool uniting the best elements of Eastern and Western traditions and practices. Open M – F: 7am – 6pm.

<u>Youth Center</u> provides young people with opportunities to become engaged in community service and access to higher education and workforce opportunities to

empower them to lead happy, healthy, and productive lives. Program includes Youth Employment Center, which provides youth seeking employment one-on-one help with finding entry-level employment opportunities, writing resumes, cover letters, and interview preparations.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm **Languages:** English, Chinese

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Boston Centers for Youth & Families

See in Category: Families

Boston Public Schools: Adult Education Programs

55 Malcolm X Blvd. Building 1 Roxbury, MA 02120 Phone: 617-635-9300

Fax: 617-635-9045

www.bostonpublicschools.org/Page/4480

Services: Boston Public Schools (BPS) has for over 140 years responded to adults in need of education and has recognized that critical to the success of every child's education is parent and family involvement. In order to improve learning for all children, educational opportunities are made available for parents and other adults in the community.

We provide basic skills that prepare parents to enter the workforce, higher education and job training. Our adult students represent the Boston community: nativeborn Americans and immigrants who need educational credentials, English language skills and/or math proficiency to compete in the workforce.

The Adult Learning Center also serves as a test location for the HiSET exam (the new GED/high school equivalency exam).

Visit www.hiset.ets.org/take/overview/ to register and for more information.

Call to sign up and find out program specific information; see brief program descriptions below.

The Family Literacy Program at the Adult Learning
Center is a day-time program offering adult basic
education, all levels of English for adult language
learners, HiSET preparation, and computer literacy
classes. Our program is free and parents of Boston
Public Schools children are prioritized for enrollment.

The Family Literacy Program helps parents and children learn together. A Parenting Skills Curriculum provides parents the opportunity to strengthen their parenting skills.

Boston Central Adult High School is an evening program that offers a 16-unit program (College Preparatory and General), eventually leading to a diploma comparable to the one offered by accredited day high schools in the City of Boston Public Schools. This specialized school for mature and serious-minded people allows students to participate in comprehensive programs of study and to complete diploma requirements during evening hours while maintaining full-time jobs.

Counseling is available to all students who would like to take advantage of the student support services. If you are a high school graduate who needs special courses to gain admission to college or to an institution of higher learning, Boston Central Adult High School may provide the courses you need to meet admission requirements.

Adult Diploma Program (ADP) is an alternative route to a high school diploma. Adults work at their own pace in this flexible program. It includes take home projects, performance assessments, frequent interviews, and library research. Graduates receive a Boston Central Adult High School diploma.

<u>Career Pathways Program: Culinary Arts Training Program</u> is for individuals looking to begin a career in the culinary arts. This program offers ESL classes, ServSafe certification, cooking, baking, computer literacy, and job placement.

Requirements & Restrictions:

The Family Literacy Program at Adult Learning Center Prospective students must attend an information and registration session, take a placement test to assess reading/writing and speaking/listening skills. Remember, there is no good or bad score. The test results are used to determine the best class for the student.

Boston Central Adult High School

To become a student you must:

- Be a resident of Boston
- Have completed school through Grade 8
- Be over 16 years of age
- Not be enrolled in a day high school
- Pay a registration fee of \$5.00 plus cost of books

OR

 Be a nonresident of Boston who meets the admission requirements and pays full tuition in advance.

Adult Diploma Program (ADP): Candidates must be 23 years or older. Students register with a community-based agency and complete the diagnostic and assessment phases. All entering adults take math, reading, and writing assessments. Those who need to review or to strengthen basic skills are referred to existing educational resources in the community. The high school diploma is awarded when students demonstrate competencies in the five areas listed above, plus one individualized competency. The graduation ceremony is held in June.

Note: Students are also required to obtain a passing score on the MCAS in Mathematics, Science and English Language Arts or complete the state Alternative Portfolio Assessment.

<u>Career Pathway Program: Culinary Arts Training</u> Program

- Interested in pursuing a career in Culinary Arts
- Eligible to work in the United States
- English Language Learner (Level 3-4 Preintermediate to - Intermediate)

Waiting Time: Family Literacy Program at the Adult Learning Center: The current wait time is usually six months. It's best to add your name to our wait list since we fill any open slots from the wait list.

Bunker Hill Community College

250 New Rutherford Avenue Boston, MA 02129 Phone (Admissions): 617-228-3398 Fax: 617-228-3481

Admissions@bhcc.mass.edu; www.bhcc.mass.edu/

Who to Contact: Admissions Office

Services: Offers Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees and certificate programs in a wide range of academic areas including liberal arts, accounting, business, computer science, media technology, criminal justice, culinary arts, engineering, and several health-related occupational areas (medical radiography, nursing, pharmacy technology, medical lab assistant, surgical lab assistant, and diagnostic sonography). Not all programs are available at all locations. Some credits can be transferred to a B.A. degree program at a four-year college or university. The College also has one of the state's largest course

offerings in English as a Second Language. A

representative list of the native languages spoken by students includes Arabic, Chinese, Creole, French, Haitian, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish.

The College publishes an extensive catalog listing all courses and other information relevant to admission, eligibility requirements, tuition and financial assistance, and other issues. Call Admissions to request a catalog.

Service Hours: Admissions Office: M - TH: 8:30am - 5:30pm; F: 11am - 4pm

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Other Locations:

Chelsea Campus

175 Hawthorne St., Bellingham Square, Chelsea 617-228-2101

chelsea@bhcc.mass.edu

East Boston Satellite

E. Boston Neighborhood Health Center Education and Training Institute

155 Addison St.

617-228-3340

fdecristoforo@bhcc.mass.edu

Malden Satellite

Malden High School

77 Salem St., Malden

South End Satellite

IBA, 405 Shawmut Ave., Boston 617-228-2390

Cambridge Center for Adult Education

42 Brattle Street Cambridge, MA 02138 Phone: 617-547-6789 Fax: 617-497-7532

info@ccae.org; www.ccae.org/

Who to Contact: Registrar, ext. 1

Services: Offers a wide variety of adult education courses including ESL, world languages, visual arts, wood and jewelry shop, literature and writing, music, cooking, and more. Call about specific interests or go on-line and view catalog which lists course descriptions, days and times, teachers, classroom sites, and tuition costs.

Registration can be made online, in person, or over the phone. Need based scholarships are available.

Service Hours: Office Hrs: M - Th: 9am - 9pm; F: 9am -

7pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm; Sun 12pm - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older.

Cambridge Public Library

449 Broadway Cambridge, MA 02138 Phone: 617-349-4040 www.cambridgema.gov/cpl

Services: Along with offering access to books, the Cambridge Public Library holds over 100 programs each month, including services focused on literacy, ESOL, computer classes, childhood community, and tax assistance. Programs include:

The Literacy Project: Literacy and ESOL

The Literacy Project offers free classes in English conversation, job hunting/resume writing, and computer basics (Word, internet and email). There are four levels of classes:

- Low Beginner: For students who have no experience with English and want to learn the basics. Will include greetings, introductions, money, telling time, transportation, and health.
- High Beginner: For students who already have some basic speaking ability. Will include present, past and future verb tenses and vocabulary building activities.
- Intermediate: For students with good conversational skills who wish to increase vocabulary and improve spoken grammar. Will include reading texts and higher level grammar concepts.
- Advanced: For students who are strong in spoken English and want to fine-tune their skills. Will include debates, group discussions, presentations, and complex grammar concepts.

For the most current schedule, please check the Calendar of Events.

<u>Computer Classes:</u> The Library offers computer classes at the Main Library throughout the year. Classes fill on a first-come, first-served basis. No registration is required but classes do generally fill on the first night with waiting lists being created afterwards.

Early Childhood Resource Center: The Cambridge Public Library is the proud home of the Greater Boston ECRC, which includes materials, services, programs and other resources for the early childhood community. It is funded by the Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care. For more information check our Events page or call the Main Library Children's Room at 617-349-4038.

<u>Tax Assistance</u>: This program is available to people who generally make \$54,000 or less, persons with disabilities, the elderly, and limited English speaking taxpayers. Space is limited. Tickets will be handed out on a first-come first-served basis on the day of the program when the Main Library opens. To get your taxes done you MUST bring:

- Your social security card or other government issued ID showing your social security number (a W-2 is not sufficient)
- Government issued photo ID (driver's license, passport, etc.)
- Social security cards for all dependents (and spouse if filling a joint return)
- Any tax forms you have received (W-2, 1099-HC, etc.)

Service Hours: Main library is open M - Th: 9am - 9pm; F - Sat: 9am - 5pm; Sun: 1pm - 5pm See website for other location hours.

Other Locations:

Boudreau Branch: 245 Concord Ave. 02138

<u>Central Square Branch:</u> 45 Pearl St. <u>Collins Branch:</u> 64 Aberdeen Ave. 02138 <u>O'Neill Branch:</u> 70 Rindge Ave. 02140 O'Connel Branch: 48 Sixth St. 02141

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: El Centro del Cardenal

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: Haitian Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Charlestown Adult Education Program

76 Monument Street Charlestown, MA 02129 Phone: 617-635-5221 ccae@comcast.net;

www.bhacharlestownadulted.weebly.com/
Services: A variety of free programs assist students who want to pursue a career or further their education.
These programs, taught by highly motivated and dedicated instructors, are tailored to meet the needs and expectations of students who are admitted into the program. Course and programs include:

- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL); further literacy programs for ESOL students as well as Family program for students with children.
- Fast Tracked HiSet and HiSet
- Computer classes and open computer lab
- Pronunciation and conversation classes
- One-on-one tutoring
- Career counseling
- Literacy classes
- Child care
- Work placement and Career Center
- Administrative assistant classes
- Home Help Aid classes
- Assistance with higher education plans
- Job training and employment prep courses in home health aid certification, hospitality, and computer basics

Please contact our office to join one of the free daytime programs.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older for ESOL, but may accept students as young as 16 if officially withdrawn from high school.

Waiting Time: Usually wait list for ESOL classes;

Enrollment in GED within 2-3 months.

Languages: Spanish, Chinese, Portuguese, Italian

City Mission: Homelessness PreventionSee in Category: Emergency Assistance

College Bound Dorchester

Phone: 617-282-5034 www.collegebounddorchester.org/

Services: The College Connections program offered by College Bound Dorchester brings together a team of administrators, instructors, and college readiness advisors to deliver both the academic and the non-academic supports that students need for successful college enrollment.

As an alternative education program dedicated to preparing urban youth between the ages of 17 and 27 to graduate from college, College Connections offers the following approach to college success:

- College Foundations for high school equivalency diploma preparation
- ESOL for English language learners to improve English skills as a first step to college readiness

- Bridge to College for college readiness, including college level math and writing preparation
- College Support for students who matriculate and are on campus

Service Hours: For information, call M - F: 9am - 5pm. Some night classes as well, call for more information.

Waiting Time: Rolling admissions

Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese, Cape Verdean, Creole

Community Learning Center

5 Western Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-349-6363 Fax: 617-349-6339

TDD: 617-349-6330

dhsp@cambridgema.gov; www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP /programsforadults/communitylearningcenter

Who to Contact: Receptionist

Services: Provides free classes in basic education, English language and employment skills for adults. Classes include:

- English as a Second Language (ESOL)
- Preparation for the U.S. Citizenship Test
- · Basic reading, writing, or math skills
- Preparation for high school diploma and college
- Home Health Aide (HHA) training
- Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) training
- Workplace education at MIT

Please call to get class days and times.

Service Hours: Office hours: M - Th: 8:30am - 9:30pm; F: 8:30am - 5pm. Walk-ins OK. Closed on school vacation weeks and holidays.

Requirements & Restrictions: Residents of Cambridge or 6 surrounding cities who are over the age of 16 and no longer attending high school can come to classes at CLC. ESOL only open to Cambridge residents. Other restrictions may apply for specific programs.

Community Servings

See in Category: Food

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation See in Category: Employment

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

See in Category: Other Groups

Jackson-Mann Community Center

500 Cambridge Street Allston, MA 02135 Phone: 617-635-5153 Fax: 617-635-5275

www.jacksonmanncc.org/current-programming.html

Who to Contact: Administrative Coordinator

Services: Offers classes in Adult Basic Education, Basic Literacy classes, ESOL, and HiSET preparation. Computer

classes available for GED and ESOL.

Service Hours: M - F: 7am - 10pm, Sat. 9am - 5pm; Classes are given weeknights from 6pm - 9pm.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older. Program asks for a commitment from August to June (has a rolling admissions process).

Waiting Time: ESL classes – about a year; wait time for

HiSET classes vary

Jamaica Plain Community Center, Adult Learning Program

English High School 144 McBride Street, Room 117 Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-635-5201

jpccalp@gmail.com; www.jpccalp.wordpress.com/

Services: Free day, evening, and online classes. Classes offered include:

- ESOL: English for Speakers of Other Languages; all levels offered
- HiSet preparation classes
- Computer Literacy
- Citizenship Classes
- Distance Learning ESOL classes are available via the internet; contact Mary: 617-635-5201, m.mccaffrey@jpccalp.org for more information
- Transition to College Evening Program
- Other services include tutoring services for incoming and currently enrolled students and citizenship preparation.

Service Hours: Office is open M - Th: 10am - 7pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older. Participants in HiSet class must be at least at a 6 grade level, and have valid social security number.

Languages: English, Spanish, French, Somali, Haitian Creole, and more.

John F. Kennedy Family Services Center See in Category: Families

Just-A-Start Corporation

See in Category: Employment

Literacy Volunteers of Massachusetts - Boston

10 Post Office Square, Suite 800 Boston, MA 02109 Phone: 617-367-1313

Toll-free: 888-466-1313 ellen@lvm.org; www.lvm.org/

Who to Contact: Ellen Blaney, LVM-Boston Coordinator

Services: Free, confidential and individualized tutoring for 2 hours per week in basic literacy and ESOL scheduled for mutually convenient times at public locations convenient to the student and tutor.

Service Hours: Office hours are M - F: 9am - 5pm. Please call for an appointment. Tutoring is flexibly scheduled between the volunteer tutor and the adult student for mutually convenient times.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be over 16 and not currently enrolled in a public school. Primary service population is adults who read below the 6th grade level. No walk-ins; call for appointment.

Waiting Time: Given the current waiting lists, the average Waiting Time is 12 months.

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Suffolk County Sheriff's Department

See in Category: Other Groups

MassHire Boston Career Center

See in Category: Employment

Mothers for Justice and Equality

See in Category: Women

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

New England Center for Arts and Technology

23 Bradston Street, 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02118 Phone: (617) 442-3600

Fax: (617) 442-3619

info@ne-cat.org; www.ne-cat.org/

Services: Culinary Arts job training 16 week program. Job placement assistance at completion of program. To learn more and to begin the application process, please attend one of the required information sessions, held every Tuesday morning at the Center. No RSVP

required. You can also fill out the below Interest Form to receive more information.

Service Hours: M-F: 9am-3pm

Requirements & Restrictions: NECAT's program is free of tuition cost to students and is designed for individuals who are:

- Unemployed or underemployed (earning a low income) with limited access to training oppurtuntiies
- Dedicated to working hard and securing a permanent job after the program
- Interested in a career in the hidpitality or food service industries
- Able to commit to the 16-week program,
 Monday-Friday, 9 am 3 pm
- At least 17 years old
- Legally stable to work in the state of Massachussetss
- Able to show proof of a high school diploma or GED/HiSet
- Committed to staying in touch with NECAT for at least two years after the program

Waiting Time: Depending on number of applications, could be 1 week to 8 weeks

Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation

See in Category: Housing

Parole Regional Reentry Centers

See in Category: Other Groups

Prison Book Program

1306 Hancock Street Suite 100 Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617-423-3298

info@prisonbookprogram.org;
www.prisonbookprogram.org/resources/requestbooks/

Services: Prison Book Program is a grassroots organization that exists for one purpose- to send free books to incarcerated individuals since 1972. The program sends free books and learning materials to prisoners, including:

- Basic legal information for incarcerated individuals
- Dictionaries
- Fiction and nonfiction books that span genres and subjects

• Materials toward GED study at times

To request books for a loved one in prison, fill out the Request Form found on the Prison Book Program website (above) and mail it to:

 Prison Book Program – Website Request c/o Lucy Parsons Bookstore 1306 Hancock Street, Suite 100 Quincy, MA 02169

We provide books by mail only. No walk-ins. Volunteers welcome.

Service Hours: Phone volunteers: Tuesday and Thursdays, 6:30 to 9pm. Occasional Saturdays. Please leave a message if your call is not answered. A volunteer with get back to you as soon as they can. See our website for details.

Other Locations: There are dozens of groups like this one across America. See the website for a list. http://prisonbookprogram.org/resources/other-books-to-prisoners-programs/

Requirements & Restrictions: Does not serve prisons in California, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Nevada or Texas. In addition, program is not able to send to many individual prisons due to prison restrictions.

Waiting Time: 2-3 months Languages: English, Spanish

Prisoner Reentry Institute at John Jay College of Criminal Justice

See in Category: Other Groups

Project Hope

See in Category: Families

Roca, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Roxbury Community College

Office of Admissions, Administration Building, Room 102

1234 Columbus Avenue Roxbury, MA 02120 Main Line: 617-427-0060 Admissions: 617-541-5310 www.rcc.mass.edu/

Who to Contact: Admissions Office

Services: Offers Associate of Arts, Associate of Science degrees, and certificate programs in a wide range of academic areas including liberal arts, accounting, business, computer science, media technology, criminal

justice, engineering, and several health-related occupational areas (medical radiography, nursing, pharmacy technology, medical lab assistant, surgical lab assistant, and diagnostic sonography). Academic programs may change, call or visit website for current listings. Some credits can be transferred to a B.A. degree program at a four-year college or university.

The College publishes an extensive catalog listing all courses and other information relevant to admission, eligibility requirements, tuition and financial assistance, and other issues. Call Admissions to request a catalog.

Service Hours: Admissions Office: M/Th: 8:30am -

6:30pm; Tu/W/F: 8:30am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must have completed

High School or GED course

Languages: English, assistance with Spanish speaking

students

Roxbury Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

Somerville Center for Adult Learning Experiences (SCALE) 167 Holland Street

Somerville, MA 02144
Front Office: 617-625-6600, x6900
www.somerville.k12.ma.us/adult-learning/scale

Who to Contact: Front Office

Services: This program offers ELL (English Language Learning), Adult Basic Education classes to prepare for a high school credential, ADP (Adult Learning Program), and is a HiSET testing site. Visit website or call main office for more information.

Service Hours: Office: M - TH 8am - 8pm, F 8am - 4pm **Requirements & Restrictions:** All students must be residents of Massachusetts. For all classes, students must be 16yrs of age or above. If under 18, must have letter of withdrawal from high school.

Waiting Time: For ELL classes, students may wait between 12-18 months for class placement.

Languages: Portuguese, Haitian Creole, Spanish, and

French

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

The Bridge Program

Community Learning Center 5 Western Avenue

Cambridge, MA 02139
Phone: 617-349-6365
pmurphy@cambridgema.gov;
www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/programsforadults/communitylearningcenter.aspx

Services: The Bridge Program, as a part of the Community Learning Center in Cambridge, offers free classes in order to help prepare people for college or other post-secondary training. The Bridge Program includes Reading, Writing, Math, Computer skills, and Study skills along with information on the college application process. Must have GED or high school diploma.

See flyer for The Bridge Program

at: https://www.cambridgema.gov/~/media/Files/DHS P/CLC/BridgeFlyer.pdf

Service Hours: Classes meet: T/Th: 6:15pm - 9:15pm and one Wednesday per month: 6:15pm - 9:15pm

Requirements & Restrictions: You must have a GED, HISET or a high school diploma. (Foreign high school diplomas must be translated into English)

Cambridge residents have priority.

Three65DAD INC. (365DAD)

See in Category: Families

United South End Settlements

See in Category: Housing

Urban College of Boston

2 Boylston Street 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02116

Phone (Admissions): 617-449-7070 Fax (Admissions): 617-423-4758

enrollment@urbancollege.edu; www.urbancollege.edu/

Who to Contact: Administrative Assistant

Services: Urban College operates a two-year program leading to Associate of Arts degree in Early Childhood Education, Human Services Administration, or General Studies. Urban College also collaborates with area colleges and universities to offer higher degrees through articulation agreements with other colleges.

Courses and certificates in computers, case management, youth program administration, and direct services administration are also available.

Classes are given at downtown locations during evening hours (6pm – 9pm) with some Saturday morning classes

(9am – 1pm). Some daytime classes are available. Accelerated courses which take place Fridays (6pm – 9pm) and Saturdays (9am – 3pm) over the course of 5 weekends are also offered.

Tutorial assistance is available and free for Urban College students.

<u>Best times to apply</u>: July before September term begins, or in November before January term begins.

Staff can also help prospective students who may need Financial Aid. Call for more information.

Service Hours: Call M - F: 9am - 6pm or walk-in M - F 1pm - 7pm to get help signing up for classes, securing an internship, or landing a job.

Requirements & Restrictions: No international admissions. High School diploma required for an associate degree. High School diploma recommended for certificate program

Languages: English; many courses are also taught in Spanish and Chinese.

X-Cel Education

7 Glenvale Terrace, #2 Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-522-2590

x-cel@x-celeducation.org; www.x-celeducation.org/ **Who to Contact:** Telephone for 617-522-2590 registration information.

Services: The X-CEL School offers pre HiSET, HiSET, and College Prep classes at several four locations in Boston. Most of the classes have "rolling admissions" so that students can begin at any time. This was done in part to make it possible for returning citizens to begin classes no matter when their incarceration ended. Classes are small and each student advances through the skill levels at his or her own pace.

<u>STRIVE</u>: This program is a collaboration between STRIVE Employment Services and X-Cel. STRIVE operates a 5-week job readiness program, which runs Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm. The program focuses on changing the participants' behavior and attitude so that they will be successful in securing employment and keeping it.

Integrated into STRIVE's 9-5 program, X-Cel comes in twice a week for two hours each day to provide reading and math classes in preparation for the HiSet exam. At the end of the five-week cycle, STRIVE participants who lack a high-school diploma, are then referred to one of X-Cel's community-based HiSet prep classes. Our

reading and math classes at STRIVE/Codman Square are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2pm – 4pm.

Service Hours: M-Th, morning classes from 10am-12:30pm and evening classes from 6:30pm-9pm.

Other Locations:

Mission Main Community Center 39 Smith Street, 2nd Floor Roxbury, MA 02120

Log School 222 Bowdoin Street Dorchester, MA 02122

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older. For GED: must be able to read at 4th grade level. For College Prep: must have GED or High School Diploma.

Waiting Time: Open enrollment (no waiting list)

Languages: English

YouthBuild Boston

27 Centre Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-445-8887 Fax: 617-427-3950

www.youthbuildboston.org/

Services: YouthBuild Boston works with young adults in the Boston area to develop personal and career skills using innovative programs in the building trades – from design and construction to the green industry. YBB enhances the lives and skills of their students, encouraging them to work with integrity, confidence, discipline and aspiration. More than 1,000 graduates have been equipped with the professional skills and tools necessary to lead successful lives and further their education.

Applicants may visit the website and click the "Apply now" button if they are interested in a YouthBuild Boston program.

Service Hours: M - F: 8am - 3pm

Emergency Assistance

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC) See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee
See in Category: Other Groups

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

> Child-at-Risk Hotline See in Category: Hotlines

City Mission: Homelessness Prevention

185 Columbia Road (Mail)
Boston, MA 02121
Phone: 617-742-6830 x205
Fax: 617-742-8470
information@cmsboston.org;
www.citymissionboston.org/what-we-

Who to Contact: Director of Homelessness Prevention

do/homelessness-prevention-programs/

Services: The City Mission Inc. provides one-time funding to resolve immediate crises, depending on the availability of funds, for those in the greater Boston area.

The program also provides information, referrals, and advocacy to assist clients in identifying additional resources.

Special attention is given to low-income families in order to help maintain stable housing to prevent homelessness. The Emergency Needs Network also directs clients to vocational counseling, job search programs, child-care and other resources that enhance their lives, through a two year commitment program called Lift Up.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Heading Home

See in Category: Other Groups

Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

See in Category: Housing

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

600 Washington Street Boston, MA 02111 Main Office: 617-348-8400 DTA Assistance Line: 1-877-382-2363 Fax: 617-348-5479

www.mass.gov/eohhs/gov/departments/dta/

Services: The Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance, or DTA, is the state agency which administers all state-funded emergency programs. These include:

Food Assistance (www.mass.gov/snap)

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program/SNAP: Formerly the Food Stamps Program, SNAP benefits are provided by the federal government and administered by DTA. Residents of the Commonwealth who participate in SNAP are families with children, elders and disabled.

DTA SNAP Outreach Centers: DTA SNAP Outreach Centers are co-located within local community agencies, healthy centers and senior centers. Staff members offer in-person, regular access to information and application services for SNAP benefits. See 'Other Locations' below for a list of DTA SNAP Outreach Centers.

Cash Assistance (www.mass.gov/dta/assistance)
Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC): Provides cash assistance to families with children and pregnant women in the last 120 days of pregnancy, with little to no assets or income.
Participants receive child care and transportation support associated with job assistance and can access a number of supportive referrals to substance abuse and/or mental health services, and domestic violence specialists. As part of TAFDC, participants may be required to perform a work-related activity in order to receive benefits.

Emergency Aid to the Elderly, Disabled, and Children (EAEDC): Provides cash assistance to those in need to stabilize their lives. Recipients must meet certain eligibility criteria.

Supplemental Security Income (SSI): Cash assistance program administered by the Social Security Administration for the elderly (over age 65) and disabled. Assists the elderly and certain categories of long-term disabled residents to receive SSI benefits. For more information on SSI eligibility, contact the Social Security Administration.

Employment Services Program
(ESP) (www.mass.gov/dta/work):
Assists clients in finding jobs, resolving barriers to

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employment and providing a way to self-sufficiency. ESP is an employment-oriented program that is structured within the following two areas:

Employment Programs: Provides clients with the basic skills, education, occupational skills and support services needed to acquire and retain jobs.

Support Services: Offers a variety of programs to support clients to acquire and maintain employment. Some of these supports include coordination of child care and transportation services as well as referrals to supports offered by other state agencies.

Help for Victims of Domestic Violence on Public Assistance(www.mass.gov/dta/domesticviolence):

The DTA Domestic Violence Unit was created to support TAFDC workers in managing their domestic violence cases. Domestic Violence specialists help families to advocate within the DTA and other systems, advocate with other agencies, connect to appropriate resources, and help with safety planning. To contact a Domestic Violence specialist, call your local office and ask to be connected with the Domestic Violence specialist.

<u>Application Information Unit:</u> 1-800-249-2007; M-F: 8:45am – 5pm.

Provides information and answers questions on how to apply for assistance and for services offered by DTA.

Service Hours: DTA Assistance Line: Mon. - Fri. 8:15am - 4:45pm

Other Locations: <u>DTA SSI Centralized Office</u> 245 Commercial Street, Malden, MA 02148 781-388-7300

Serves SSI clients who live alone and receive Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits through Bay State Cap. SSI clients wanting to apply for additional benefits should contact their local DTA office. If you are unsure of where to call, please call the Application Information Hotline at 1-800-249-2007. M – F: 8am – 5pm

Roxbury

Dudley Square, 2201 Washington Street, 02119; 617-989-6000

Any of numerous buses going to Dudley Square.

M - F: 8am - 5pm

Boston, Newmarket Square

1010 Massachusetts Ave. 02118; 617-989-2200 Bus: #8 from Dudley Square or bus: #10 from Andrew Station or Copley Square.

M - F: 8am - 5pm

Chelsea

80 Everett Ave, Chelsea; 617-551-1700 M – F: 7am – 5pm

Boston DTA SNAP Outreach Center: Boston Medical Center

One Boston Medical Center Place, Boston, MA Languages spoken: Spanish, English

F: 9 - 5

<u>Boston DTA SNAP Outreach Center: Codman Square</u> Health Center

637 Washington Street; Dorchester, MA Languages spoken: English

F: 9 - 4

Quincy DTA SNAP Outreach Center: Quincy QCAP

1509 Hancock Street; Quincy, MA

Every M and every other Th: 8:30am - 4:30pm

Somerville DTA SNAP Outreach Center: Somerville Lift Program

366 Somerville Ave, Somerville, MA Every Wednesday

Requirements & Restrictions: Different programs have different eligibility requirements. Ask about requirements for specific programs. Ask what you should bring when you apply for a specific program. Application to most programs will require identification with name and address, proof of income, and social security numbers for all members of your household; they may also ask to see your discharge papers. If you are not a citizen, bring proof of legal non-citizen status.

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Salvation Army Social Services

See in Category: Other Groups

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ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

See in Category: Education

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

See in Category: Food

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Boston Centers for Youth & Families

See in Category: Families

Cambridge Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Community Work Services (CWS)

174 Portland Street #2 Boston, MA 02114

Phone: 617-720-2233 Fax: 617-367-4759

soshea@cwsne.org; www.cwsnewengland.org/

Services: Founded in 1877, CWS helps people who face barriers to work obtain employment and achieve greater self-sufficiency through innovative job training, placement, and support services. Programs and support services include:

Job Training:

- Commercial Cleaning/Property Maintenance
- Food Services/Culinary Arts
- Hotel and Hospitality
- Job Readiness
- Commercial Production
- ReServe Greater Boston: Helping professionals age 55+ reinvest a career's worth of skills to strengthen their communities

Support Services:

- Case Management
- Job Placement
- Post Placement
- Legal Ass
- istance

Service Hours: Office and Program Hours: M – F: 8am - 4:30pm

Requirements & Restrictions: All of CWS services have specific eligibility requirements. Interested candidates are encouraged to attend an agency tour to learn more about the program and their requirements. Tours are held year-round, every Wednesday at 1pm.

Reservations are not required.

Languages: English, Spanish

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation

594 Columbia Road
Dorchester, MA 02125

Phone (General): 617-825-4200 Phone (Referrals): 617-825-4200 x574

Fax: 617-825-3522 www.dbedc.org/

Services: Dorchester Bay runs a number of programs including a Reentry Program for returning citizens. Participants start in the program while in prison and continue after release with case management, guidance with educational and employment goals, weekly support groups, and assistance with personal needs such as probation officer relationships and family/community relationships. Services provided can include job readiness programs, resume writing help, and a GED preparedness course.

Referrals are made on a case-by-case basis.

Service Hours: Information: M - F: 9am - 5pm; Client Services: T & W: 11am - 4pm, Th: 11am - 3pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Clients must have a CORI to access services.

Dorchester Community CORI Project

See in Category: CORI

Goodwill's Pathway to Employment Initiative: Job Training and Placement Services

1010 Harrison Ave. Boston, MA 02119 Phone: 617-541-1220

pwilliams@goodwillmass.org;

www.goodwillmass.org/programs/job-training-and-placement-services.html

Services: Through its Pathway to Employment initiative, Goodwill offers a range of job training programs, support services and placement and post-placement services for individuals with barriers to employment. Services are accessible for individuals with disabilities.

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and are focused on placing them on a path to employment in the workforce and independence.

Participants are recruited on an ongoing basis throughout the year. Many are referred through government agencies such as the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, the Massachusetts Department of Developmental Services, and the Department of Transitional Assistance. Others are referred by one-stop career centers, churches, and community groups. Participants also come to Goodwill through word-of-mouth recommendations of family and other community members.

After an initial screening for skills and interest. Individuals are assigned a case manager, who helps them develop an individual training and employment plan, and choose trainings and supports. Case managers meet with participants regularly and participants move through the employment services components at a pace consistent with their individual needs.

<u>First Step</u> is a program designed to help you advance your career, strengthen your family, and achieve financial independence. The 3-4 week job readiness program prepares you to reenter the workforce. For more information about First Step, please contact Precious Williams at 617-541-1220.

Human Services Employment Ladder Program (HELP) is an eight-week training program prepares students to become entry-level direct career professionals in human services. Many HELP graduates go on to work for one of our employer partners. For more information about HELP, please contact Kathleen Peña at 617-541-1499 (Help Line).

Service Hours: Some training programs are offered in a classroom setting and, in those cases, have structured schedules. For example, the First Step Job Readiness training course runs numerous times throughout the year, for four weeks, Monday-Friday from 9am to 3pm, and then students are enrolled in a 3-5 week internship. The Human Service Employment Ladder Program (HELP) runs quarterly, for eight weeks, Monday-Friday from 9am-3pm.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

Haley House Bakery Training Program

12 Dade Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-445-0900 bakery@haleyhouse.org; www.haleyhouse.org/whatwe-do/tep/

Services: The Transitional Employment Program (TEP) at Haley House Bakery Cafe strives to end the cycle of incarceration by supporting people returning to the community. TEP offers a real, paid work experience producing wholesale bakery products. Haley House also partners with other community organizations to offer computer classes, workforce readiness training (which includes interview skills, resume writing, lessons on employment law, etc.), and mindfulness training. TEP is open to men and women of any age transitioning from prison back into the community. TEP trainees must commit to at least 3 months in the program.

Service Hours: Hours vary.

Other Locations: Haley House's administrative office and meal services are located at 23 Dartmouth Street in Boston, MA.

Hope House

8 Farnham Street Boston, MA 02119

Phone (Addiction Services): 617-971-9360
Fax (Addiction Services): 617-971-9366
Phone (Outpatient Services): 617-971-9370
Fax (Outpatient Services): 617-971-9366
paul@hopehouseboston.org;
www.hopehouseboston.org/

Who to Contact: Front Desk

Services: Hope House Residential Treatment Program is a 95-bed recovery home for male alcoholics and substance abusers located in Boston's Roxbury neighborhood. The Program consists of two main phases and an aftercare component:

The 21 day program – clients remain close to the program meeting with their Primary Counselor several times per week to develop a plan for the remainder of their treatment. Clients will attend several groups per day during the 21 day program to assist with identifying long term treatment needs and goals.

The work program – upon completion of the 21 day program clients will begin job searching. During the work program clients will begin to work on the identified needs and goals from the 21 day program. Clients will develop community resources and supports that will assist with achieving and maintaining recovery. As a condition of Phase II, all clients with income must

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pay a program fee in the form of rent at \$119 per week or \$17 per day.

Aftercare Group – upon completion of the Program clients have access to a weekly Aftercare Group. This group provides peer support around the transition from treatment to more independent living situations, assists to identify roadblocks in the process, identify available community resources, and maintains a connection to the Hope House Treatment Program in the weeks following completion of the program.

Hope House also offers programs for outpatient services, housing needs, outreach efforts, and professional development. Contact Hope House for more information.

Requirements & Restrictions: Varies by program.

Hour House Boston, Incorporated See in Category: Other Groups

Just-A-Start Corporation

1035 Cambridge Street, #12 Cambridge, MA 02141 Phone (Main Office): 617-494-0444 Fax: 617-494-8348

contact@justastart.org; www.justastart.org/

Who to Contact: Varies by program, see services description for contacts

Services: Provides affordable housing, education, training, community engagement, and supportive services, including:

Cambridge Biomedical Careers Program: This free 9-month training program (September–May) prepares participants for entry-level jobs in the biotechnology, life sciences, and medical research industries, and supplies local employers with work-ready, diverse employees. The laboratory training is done in partnership with Bunker Hill Community College. In the program, students also receive job readiness training such as preparing a resume, interviewing, and job search, and are introduced to industry professionals through career talks and employer site visits. After graduation, students receive follow up services for up to one year, until they are placed in relevant employment.

There is no tuition fee. Applications are accepted April through August. Eligibility requirements include: a GED or HS diploma, Massachusetts residency (primarily Cambridge, Boston, and MetroNorth), income eligibility, age 18+, and good reading and math skills.

Contact: 617-918-7534.

<u>Information Technology Careers Program</u>

The JAS IT Career Program is a FREE educational and career skills training program that prepares individuals for Computer User Support Specialist positions in any business environment. The program is ideal for people who are looking for a new career or are entering the job market for the first time.

Through this training module students are able to obtain stackable industry recognized credentials and certificates (i.e. CompTIA, CompTIA A+, etc.)

Contact: 617-341-8126

YouthBuild/Just-A-Start: JAS YouthBuild is a comprehensive youth development program for 16 to 24 year-old out of school youth that provides education leading to grade level increases and credential attainment (high school diploma or HiSET – formerly GED); career exploration and employment skills building (with a construction/facilities maintenance and/or healthcare focus); and leadership and life skills training. Through their housing community service work experience, youth gain occupational skills leading to HBI PACT and OSHA certificates (industry recognized credentials), in addition to applied academic skills and leadership development. JAS YouthBuild also provides comprehensive guidance, counseling, case management, and support services. Youth who complete the program transition to employment, training, and/or college and receive intensive follow-up support for at least one year, with additional support beyond.

Contact: youthbuild@justastart.org or 617-918-7506

<u>Home Improvement Programs:</u> Provides assistance in managing home improvement projects and helps homeowners, condominium associations, and landlords secure financing for housing improvements. JAS's experienced rehab specialists guide clients through the entire process, from application to completion.

Contact: 617-918-7514

<u>Homeowner Services:</u> JAS offers an array of services to meet the ongoing needs of low and moderate income homeowners in Cambridge. These services include: technical assistance with property maintenance and repair; advisory services for condominium association finances, management, and compliance; education and training courses; and leadership development for condominium associations.

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Contact: 617-918-7518

Real Estate Development Projects: As part of its core mission, Just-A-Start (JAS) develops and owns affordable apartments that allow low and moderate income residents to live in Cambridge at rents that are within their means. JAS currently owns nearly 600 units and has partnered with Maloney Properties and Wingate to provide the portfolio with professional management. If you are interested in affordable rentals in Cambridge, please contact Maloney Properties and Wingate for more information.

Mediation/Conflict Resolution: To avoid evictions and/or homelessness, Just-A-Start (JAS) professionals mediate and help resolve disputes between tenants, landlords, homeowners, and others by creating a safe, neutral forum in which meaningful dialogue can occur. Mediation allows parties to understand each other's perspectives, explore options, and come up with a resolution that everyone feels comfortable moving forward with. Through these efforts, JAS has helped thousands of individuals reach compromise and address conflicts before they spiral out of control, often preventing unnecessary eviction. For qualifying cases, JAS professionals also provide mediation to resolve consumer disputes referred through district courts or the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office.

Contact: 617-918-7518

Other Locations:

YouthBuild

1175 Cambridge St. Cambridge 617-242-1460

Requirements & Restrictions: Bring your Social Security card, birth certificate and proof of address.

La Alianza Hispana

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

See in Category: Emergency Assistance

Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission, (MRC)

See in Category: Disability

Massachusetts Suffolk County Sheriff's Department

See in Category: Other Groups

MassHire Boston Career Center

1010 Harrison Avenue Boston, MA 02119 Phone: 617-541-1400

contact@masshirebostoncareerctr.org; www.yourcareersource.com/

Services: MassHire Boston Career Center offers a number of services to help job seekers, including universal access to a broad range of career counseling services, career resources, workshops, and special programs to connect job seekers with employers. Job seekers learn about current openings, receive assistance with their job searches, learn job search techniques, and receive instruction on how to apply for a job online. MassHire also has a full time veterans' representative dedicated to helping veterans find employment.

In conjunction with Goodwill, MassHire Boston Career Center runs the Clothing Collaborative for Job Trainees. This quarterly event provides interview appropriate clothing and accessories at no charge for job seekers who are MassHire members or who have completed job training at Goodwill or other Boston-area training programs.

MassHire is part of the One Stop Career Center Network, which offers a website focuses on job search help for ex-offenders. See links below.

<u>Career One Stop: Job Search Help for Ex-</u> <u>Offenders:</u> https://www.careeronestop.org/ExOffender /default.aspx

Service Hours: Office: Monday, Thursday and Friday 9am - 5pm; Tuesday 9am - 7pm; Wednesday: 9am - 2:30pm.

Program hours vary. Call for event and workshop schedule.

Requirements & Restrictions: You must be workeligible (U.S. citizen or legal resident). When you call or come in, a Customer Service Representative will ask you for information. You will also be asked to fill out a membership form.

Waiting Time: Depends on individual requirements.

New England Center and Home for Veterans
See on Category: Veterans

Out For Good, Inc.See in Category: Other Groups

Parole Regional Reentry Centers

See in Category: Other Groups

Project Hope

See in Category: Families

Project Place: Employment, Job Training, & Resource Services

1145 Washington Street Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-542-3740 x273 Alt. Phone: 617-542-3740 x434 617-542-3860

Who to Contact: Polly Hanson, Associate Director and Beth Carter, Director of Reentry & Community Partners

Services:

<u>Clean Corners...Bright Hopes:</u> Clean Corners... Bright Hopes is a facilities maintenance service that employs homeless individuals to perform maintenance and landscaping. This business offers transitional employment for three months. Starting pay is \$11/hour, with potential for performance-based increases.

Community Re-entry for Women (CREW) Program: CREW provides job readiness and life skills training to incarcerated women at the Suffolk County House of Correction. Through linking the participants with case management, career coaching and health care, the program seeks to foster the strength and independence of participants in preparation for positive re-entry into the community. This program is only available to incarcerated females at the SCHOC.

<u>Home Plate:</u> Home Plate employs homeless individuals to prepare and sell wholesome and convenient meals for people on the go. This business offers transitional employment for three months. Starting pay is \$11/hour, with potential for performance-based increases.

<u>Project Pepsi:</u> Project Pepsi partners with the Pepsi Bottling Company to employ homeless individuals to service vending machines throughout greater Boston. Project Pepsi hires loaders and drivers. This business offers transitional employment for three months. Starting pay is \$11/hour, with potential for performance-based increases.

<u>Work Ready*:</u> WORK READY* is a 4-week job-readiness training program focused on the basics of preparing clients for a successful job search. Clients will learn to develop resumes, write cover letters, perform a focused

job search, & prepare for the interview process. In addition, clients will attend a weekly computer class. Upon completion of the program, clients will be assigned a career coach/case manager to assist with job search and provide ongoing support & resources. Classes are held M – F from 9-3.

*Work Ready is required as a pre-requisite for all of our other skills training

<u>Further Credentialing:</u> Project Place offers a 4-week Customer Service Training with Professional Certification in Customer Service through the National Retail Federation Foundation. We also offer a 4-week practicum focused on daily guided job search with the express goal of employment for clients who complete Customer Service credentialing. ServSafe, an industry-recognized certification in food safety is offered regularly. OSHA training is offered on an occasional basis as well.

Social Enterprises: Project Place operates three businesses. These enterprises provide transitional employment for clients for up to 3 months at starting pay of \$11/hr. Individuals apply to be hired. Our social enterprises provide an opportunity to fill gaps in work history & gain references while pursuing permanent employment with the support of a case manager. To be considered for hire into one of our enterprises, clients must first complete Work Ready.

Partnerships to Opportunities for Women in Re-Entry (POWR): is a partnership of multiple local agencies targeting female returning citizens and providing wraparound case management services within 180 days of re-entry. POWR provides an opportunity to engage in job training, job skills, mental health services, mentoring, and paid for work opportunities with the goal to reduce recidivism & unemployment. ALL Programs are CORI Friendly. Boston Career Pathways Collaborative (BCPC) offers training, case management, mentoring, credentialing, education support, job placement, and follow-up services geared to the needs of men and women returning from incarceration. Participants are placed in employment within local growth industries helping to set a path for a positive career trajectory.

All programs are CORI friendly.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations: Also see listing for Project Place:

Housing

Requirements & Restrictions: Clients are required to have stability in the areas of physical and mental health, legal issues, and sobriety for 90 days. Enterprise employment requires 90 days sobriety. Exceptions are made to these restrictions, so please call for access to services.

Languages: English, Limited Spanish

Roca, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Social Security: Benefits After Incarceration See in Category: Administrative Issues

Solutions at Work

391 Evereteze Way Cambridge, MA 02141 Phone: 617-576-0039 Fax: 617-812-5871

www.solutionsatwork.org/

Services: Programs target residents of Greater Boston/Cambridge with a particular focus on returning citizens. Support includes:

<u>Children's Clothing Exchange:</u> Trade children's outgrown items for age-appropriate ones. Open Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 10am – 4pm. Contact Tara Riopelle at triopelle@solutionsatwork.org or 617-871-1202 for more information.

<u>Solutions Wear:</u> Free interview appropriate clothing. Mondays and Fridays, by appointment and referral only. Contact Tracy Russ at truss@solutionsatwork.org or 617-871-1202 for more information.

<u>Get Connected</u>: Offers donated computers at \$50 per unit to help search for jobs, find affordable housing, continue their education, and keep in touch with their support network. Open Wednesdays 3:30pm – 7:30pm. Located at 1151 Massachusetts Ave in Cambridge. Contact Adam Frost at afrost@solutionsatwork.org or 617-325-9526 for more information.

Service Hours: Vary by program.

Requirements & Restrictions: Referral required for some programs. Call for more information.

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

STRIVE – Boston Employment Services, Inc.

651 Washington Street Dorchester, MA 02124 Phone: 617-825-1800 Fax: 617-825-1896 epowell@jri.org; www.jri.org/services/community/strive

Services: STRIVE offers an employment program for returning citizens, both men and women, which combines a short, intense period of "attitudinal training" with long-term follow-up. This combination allows participants to find employment quickly and maintain it over time. The program stresses accountability, responsibility, professional development, and personal growth. Participants learn how to dress and speak appropriately for the workplace, how to follow instructions, accept criticism, and function as team members. A similar program, STRIVE For the Future, is offered for individuals ages 18-24 who have had juvenile involvement in the criminal justice system but not an adult conviction.

GED, basic computer skills, Microsoft Word Specialist Certification, Excel Certification courses are also offered.

STRIVE also serves anyone looking for professional development and personal growth.

STRIVE is affiliated with the X-CEL School, see the X-CEL School Directory Listing for more information.

Service Hours: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Valid U.S ID required, documents that establish employment eligibility, and must speak English

Successful Release

See in Category: Other Groups

United South End Settlements

See in Category: Housing

United Way's 211 Helpline

See in Category: Hotlines

Urban League of Eastern Massachusetts

88 Warren Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-442-4519 Fax: 617-442-0562

www.ulem.org/

Services: Customer Service & Sales Training (CSST) — This training prepares participants for work through classroom learning and meaningful service Activities. It is designed for people who are currently unemployed, have limited work experience, and want to be job

ready. The CSST program gives graduates the work experience they need to build their resumes and promote their skills effectively. This is a Stipend eligible program.

Mature Worker Skills Program (MWSP) – The MWSP program is for individuals 45 years or older who are currently unemployed and seeking a way to utilize their skills and re-enter the job market. Trainees receive extensive hands on training at the Urban League and community partners to become a CNA, PCA, Dental Assistant, or Home Health Aide. Learn about healthy living and a stress free life.

Computer Literacy and Internet Knowledge (CLIK) - The CLIK curriculum is designed to help students learn how to become successful in an online learning environment. This program is for individuals who have some but limited computer skills and want to become computer savvy.

Employment Resource Center (ERC) – The ERC is a drop in career center where trainees, job seekers, entrepreneurs, students, can work & search for career or job opportunities. This center grants its member access to computers, internet, printer and copy machine. Individuals that are serious about finding work come to the Employment Resource Center.

MSIMBO Urban League Coding Academy – MSIMBO means "code" in Swahili, is the Urban League of Eastern MA (ULEM) Coding Boot Camp Training program. The Program is a 20-week full stack training for adults looking to become computer programmer. The MSIMBO training program aims to open the door of opportunity for women and people of color to begin careers in the IT industry, and in so doing address the IT industries' need for ethnically diverse, skilled workers. Funded by Google.org, BNY Mellon and Bank of America. This is a stipend eligible program.

The Domestic and Sexual Violence Project for the Urban League of Eastern MA – This project is sponsored by the Office on Violence Against Women (OVW)- partners, Safe Havens Interfaith Partnership Against Domestic Violence (expertise in Domestic Violence and Faith), The Center for Hope and Healing (expertise in Sexual Assault), Casa Myrna, (expertise in Domestic Violence and homelessness) and two of the Boston Police Departments Domestic Violence Consultants. This project is an education and action program designed specifically for Boston's inner city communities, to train service providers and clergy in cultural specific domestic

and sexual violence intervention and prevention strategies. In addition the project provides referrals and education to victims and survivors of domestic and sexual violence who are looking for support and referrals.

DigiU: Urban League Digital Marketing Lab — The 16 week program is full time Monday through Friday from 10AM-4PM in a classroom setting. It is designed to teach you all the fundamentals of graphic design, branding, marketing — both from the print and interactive perspective. At the end of the 16 week program you will have the knowledge to land a job in the field working as a design professional, you will have a professional level portfolio- both print and online that will have been vetted by working professionals in the field and you will have had some working experience in said field. We have a stipend for our students while in the program and job/internship placement at the end for those who complete the program. This is a stipend eligible program. Section 30 approved.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 years or older with a valid ID and must have a GED or High School Equivalency

Waiting Time: Call office for program wait times

Victory Programs

See in Category: Housing

Work Opportunity Tax Credit, U.S. Department of Labor

See in Category: Administrative Issues

YMCA Training, Inc.

18 Tremont Street, Suite 400 Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-542-1800

Fax: 617-542-1811 MMetayer@ymcaboston.org; www.ymcaboston.org/traininginc

Who to Contact: Maxence Metayer, Intake Coordinator

Services: This rigorous, 20-week full time employment program offers professional office skills training, enabling participants to gain new employment in customer service, medical offices, health insurance, banks, and insurance companies.

To apply, call 617.542.1800 to schedule an Information Session. At the Information Session, you will learn more about the program, complete an application, take an

assessment, and interview with staff. If accepted, staff will work with you on the next steps.

Service Hours: M - F: 8:30am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be legal to work in US, and able to attend training and employment every day, on time. If English is not first language, must have advanced ESOL fluency. Certain CORI's will preclude some employment options. Acceptance will be affected by funding sources.

Waiting Time: New program cycle starts every 3-4

months

Languages: English

YouthBuild BostonSee in Category: Education

Faith-Based Organizations

Berea Seventh Day Adventist

108 Seaver Street Dorchester, MA 02121 Phone: 617-427-2201 www.bereaboston.org/

Services:

Church Food Pantry:

The pantry is open on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month from 8am – 12pm

Prayer Meeting:

Every Wednesday night from 7pm – 8pm

Religious Services:

Sabbath School takes place on Saturdays at 9:15am followed by the Divine Worship at 11am

Service Hours: Office hours: M-F: 9am - 1pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Bring photo ID for food

pantry, as well as bags for food.

Bethel Baptist Church

18 Saint James Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-445-0584

Fax: 617-445-0052

bethelbaptistroxbury@gmail.com

Who to Contact: Rev. Franklin Murray, Sr. – Pastor

Services:

Worship services: Sunday at 7:30am and 11am Sunday School & New Member's Class: 9:30am

Additional programs, activities, groups:

Bible study: Wednesday at 5:30pm and 6:30pm

Prayer Service: Wednesday at 7:30pm

Free Meal and Food Pantry: Call for days, times and

eligibility requirements.

Service Hours: M-F 8am - 4:15pm

Boston Rescue Mission

See in Category: Other Groups

Brighton Allston Congregational Church: Thrift Shop and Food Pantry

404 Washington Street Brighton, MA 02135 Phone: 617-254-4046 brightonucc@verizon.net;

www.brightonucc.org/whatwedo/

Services:

Thrift Shop:

Clothing and household goods.

Open Wednesdays 11am-2pm and Saturdays 10am-1pm only.

Food Pantry: Baskets and Community Supper:

The Allston Brighton Food Pantry provides food baskets for eligible Allston Brighton residents. Distribution occurs at the church at 404 Washington Street, Brighton Center, on the second and fourth Saturdays of the month between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

In November, there is only one distribution, the Saturday before Thanksgiving. There is no need to call in advance or register for these baskets which contain everything you need for a festive Thanksgiving meal.

In December, baskets are distributed on the second Saturday only.

Visit Allston Brighton Food

Pantry www.abfoodpantry.com/ for information, restrictions, and dates.

All are welcome to the Community Supper, every Wednesday night at 6pm.

Service Hours: Thrift Shop: Wed. 11am - 2pm, Sat. 10am-1pm. Food Baskets: Second and fourth Saturdays of the month, 10am - 1pm. Community Supper: Every Wednesday 6pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Food Basket Distribution Policies:

- One food basket per household per month
- Food baskets are provided only to residents of Allston and Brighton, MA.
- Distribution is the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, except November and December
- On distribution days, the food pantry is open from 10am – 1pm.
- Each basket contains approximately a 3 to 4 day supply of food
- Proper ID and proof of need (see below) is required to receive a food basket

Required Documents:

- Photo ID
- Current phone, gas, or electric bill with your name & address (only one of these is needed)
- One of the following: welfare (EBT) card,
 MassHealth card, SSI papers, unemployment

papers, or a referral/letter from either a social worker, medical doctor, registered nurse, the Red Cross, Pastor, Priest, Rabbi, or Project Bread's Hunger Hotline.

Cathedral Church of St. Paul

138 Tremont Street Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-482-5800

cathedral@diomass.org; www.stpaulboston.org/

Services: Monday Lunch Program: Volunteers from the Cathedral and partner churches offer a meal, friendship, and vital services to hungry and homeless people. Lunch is served from 11:30am – 12:45pm, and is open to all.

Service Hours: Mondays, 11:30am - 12:45pm

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston

Phone: 617-464-8500

info@ccab.org; www.ccab.org/location-boston

Services: Catholic Charities operates a number of community service centers in eastern Massachusetts. The centers provide a wide variety of support services including some basic needs emergency assistance, education and training programs, transitional housing for families, child care, and family counseling and support.

The above address is the location of the administration offices within the Labouré Center. The Labouré Center provides basic emergency assistance, family intervention, youth mentoring and tutoring programs, and refugee and immigration services. The Center may also provide referrals and advocacy. Open M – F, 10am – 4pm. Take Broadway Bus #9. Please call or visit the CCAB website (or see below in "other locations") for the location and hours of a specific program.

Also see Directory listings for Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: El Centro del Cardenaland Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: Haitian Multi-Service Center.

Service Hours: See CCAB website

Other Locations:

Catholic Charities Labouré Center
275 West Broadway, South Boston
617-464-8500
Also home to: Refugee and Immigration Services

Community Interpreter Services

Catholic Charities North

117 North Common Street, Lynn

781-593-2312

Catholic Charities South 169 Court Street, Brockton

508-587-0815

Catholic Charities Yawkey Center

185 Columbia Road, Dorchester

617-506-6600

Also home to: Catholic Charities Greater Boston Haitian

Multi-Service Center

Merrimack Valley Catholic Charities

70 Lawrence Street, Lowell

978-452-1421

Catholic Charities Child Care Locations:

Labouré Child Care Center

275 West Broadway, So. Boston

617-464-8500

Lynn Child Care Center

37 North Federal Street, Lynn

781-598-2759

Malden Child Care Center

77 Salem Street, Malden

781-397-1556

Nazareth Child Care Center

19 St. Joseph Street, Jamaica Plain

617-522-4040

Peabody Child Care Center

13 Pulaski St., Peabody

978-532-6860

Yawkey Child Care Center

185 Columbia Road, Dorchester

617-506-6600

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: El Centro del

Cardenal

19 Saint Joseph Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130

Phone: 617-522-4040 x611

Fax: 617-983-0460 www.ccab.org/education

Who to Contact: Lydia Rivera

Services: El Centro offers adult ESOL classes targeted

 $toward\ immigrant\ residents\ of\ Massachusetts.$

Walk-ins are accepted M – Th from 9am – 12pm but it is more beneficial to call first and set up a schedule to

come in and fill out an application. Call the number above to leave a voicemail and a staff member will return your call.

Transitions to College: Advanced ESL classes prepare students for college and services include college visits, coaching, math instruction, and computer workshops. GED or foreign high school diploma are recommended; undocumented students accepted.

Service Hours: Classes: M - Th: 9am - 1pm; Class signup: M - Th: 8:45am - 11:45am

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 years or older. Participants can be as young as 16 if they have finished high school at that age from their country. Need to meet the schedule of the program, 9am – 1pm, Monday through Thursday and must commit to the 14 hours a week. Participants must be literate in their first language.

Waiting Time: Avg. wait time: 3 months; call for more accurate information

Languages: French, Spanish, Russian, Haitian Creole, and many other languages. Call for more information

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: Haitian Multi-Service Center

185 Columbia Road Dorchester, MA 02121 Phone: 617-436-2848 www.ccab.org

Who to Contact: Center Receptionist

Services: The Haitian Multi-Service Center supports newly arrived and long-term resident Haitian immigrants and refugees in educational development and economic self-sufficiency in a culturally and linguistically familiar environment. Classes are offered in HiSET (GED), ESOL, Basic Math, Computer Literacy, and citizenship programs. Classes are open to all, not only Haitian immigrants or refugees.

Other services include:

<u>Elder Services</u> (open specifically for Haitian immigrants or refugees)

Sante Manman se Sante Pitit: Provides comprehensive prenatal, perinatal, and neonatal support to the Haitian community. This program is unique in that it serves pregnant women, new parents, and infants up to two years of age. This program operates Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm. The program is offered free of charge for low-income, pregnant Haitian and African American women living in Greater Boston. Single and

homeless pregnant women who are also assisted through DTA, WIC and other programs are eligible.

Food Pantry: Open to anyone.

Service Hours: General Hours: M - W: 8am - 8pm; Th - F: 8am - 6pm. Food Pantry: M and F: 9:30am - 12pm. T - Th: 9:30am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: For ESOL: must be low income. For all classes: must be 18 or older. Call for more information

Common Cathedral (Ecclesia Ministries, Inc.)

15 Newbury Street Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-247-4927 info@commoncathedral.org; www.commoncathedral.org/

Who to Contact: Amanda Grant-Rose

Services:

- Ministry to Unhoused
- Non-denominational, open to all.
- Worship services:
- Sunday: 1pm on Boston Common (at Park St. fountain). Service is preceded by a simple lunch.
- Additional programs, activities, and groups include:
- Common Art Group: Emmanuel Church, 15
 Newbury St., Boston, Wednesdays at 10am –
 2pm
- Bible Study: Upstairs at Food Court at South Station Bus Terminal, 700 Atlantic Ave, Boston, Thursdays at 11am

Requirements & Restrictions: Target population: Homeless, previously incarcerated people.

First Church in Cambridge

11 Garden Street Cambridge, MA 02138 Phone: 617-547-2724 Fax: 617-354-4185

parishadmin@firstchurchcambridge.org; www.firstchurchcambridge.org

Who to Contact: Senior Minister

Services:

<u>Shelter</u>: Length of stay varies. The shelter has 14 beds for men and access to two meals and showers. Storage space is modest.

The shelter also provides guests with assistance in identifying and securing resources to transition out of

homelessness. A significant portion of that assistance comes from a partnership between the shelter and Home Start (see Directory listing for Home Start, Inc.). Shelter staff are available to help guests negotiate the frequently difficult and intimidating process of applying for public benefits or subsidized housing. By referral only- no walk ins.

<u>Food</u>: Saturday Night/Sunday Morning sandwiches: On the first Saturday and Sunday of every month, volunteers and church school students prepare sandwiches. On Saturdays, food is distributed to the Cambridge Common at 1pm. On Sundays, food, juice, and new socks are distributed in Harvard and Central Squares from 5-6:30pm.

Friday Café- A neighborhood gathering place where housed and unhoused neighbors can mingle and get acquainted in a low-key, judgment-free setting. The Café features hot coffee, nourishing food, music, art materials, and a community library.

Worship services: Sunday at 11am, traditional service (10am in July – August).

Additional programs, activities, groups include Bible studies and prayer groups – please call for times.

Service Hours: Friday Cafe: September through June, Fridays 1pm-5pm.

Requirements & Restrictions: Shelter: Agency referral only, no walk-ins; no registered sex offenders; must be drug and alcohol free.

Greater Love Tabernacle, Inc.

101 Nightingale Street Dorchester, MA 02124 Confidential HIV Helpline: 617-379-2443 www.grltabernacle.org/

Services: Worship Services: Sundays 8:30am and 10:30am

Additional programs, activities, groups:

<u>Children's Sunday School:</u> Sunday, 11am – 12:30pm <u>Early Morning Prayer Call:</u> Mon. – Fri. from 6am – 7am, 515-604-9300 access code 788663# <u>Bible Study:</u> Wednesdays from 6:30pm – 7:45pm

<u>Ladies of Love (Woman's support & mentoring session):</u> Every 3rd Saturday of the month at 10am

Service Hours: Office is open Tues. - Fri. 9:30am - 5:30pm, Sun. 1pm - 2pm

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church 62 Harvard Ave Allston, MA 02134 Phone: 617-787-7625 www.hrocboston.org/

Services: Monday 6:00 – 7:00pm dinner and take-out available from Open Door Soup Kitchen/St. Bridget's Food Pantry.

Service Hours: Open Door Dinner: Mondays 6 - 7pm

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)
See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Ave. Baptist Church: Project MANNA

146 Hampshire Street Cambridge, MA 02139 Church Office: 617-868-4853 Fax: 617-868-1511

info@massavebaptistchurch.com; www.massavebaptistchurch.com/

Services: A food pantry is available on the third Saturday of each month (fourth Saturday of November). Please call for summer hours. Registration from 7am – 10am.

Dinner is served Monday and Friday at 5:30pm to 6:30pm. After the meal, shuttle service to area shelters is provided.

Service Hours: <u>Dinners</u>: M & F at 5:30pm; <u>Pantry</u>: 3rd

Sat. of month at 7am

Requirements & Restrictions: Must bring ID.

Paulist Center

5 Park Street Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-742-4460 Fax: 617-720-5756

Info@paulistcenter.org; www.paulistcenter.org/getinvolved/social-justice/

Services:

<u>The Wednesday Night Supper Club:</u> Free hot meals served every Wednesday at 6pm.

Emergency Food Pantry: Open every non-holiday Tuesday afternoon, 1:30pm-3pm, for those with an immediate, critical need for food. If there are 5 Tuesdays in a month, the food pantry is closed on the 5th Tuesday. The food pantry is located on the first floor, two doors down from the reception area. One visit for one grocery bag a month is the operating guideline.

Service Hours: See above

Requirements & Restrictions: Photo ID with a Boston-vicinity area address. One visit for one grocery bag a month is the operating guideline.

Pilgrim Church

540 Columbia Road Dorchester, MA 02125 Phone: 617-282-0456 pastor@pilgrimchurch1862.org; www.pilgrimchurch1862.org/

Services: Free community lunch every Saturday from

12pm – 1:30pm. All are welcome!

Food Pantry every Wednesday from 10am – 11am (or until food boxes run out). Please bring documentation of name and address. You are welcome to visit the pantry once a month. Numbers for getting food are distributed at about 8am

Bible Study: Wednesdays at 6pm

Thrift Shop: open T-F 2pm – 6pm, Saturdays "by

chance"

Service Hours: See services descriptions

Languages: English, ASL

Saint Cecilia Parish

18 Belvidere St. Boston, MA 02115 Phone: 617-536-4548 Fax: 617-536-1781

info@stceciliaboston.org; www.stceciliaboston.org/

Services: A Catholic parish where all are welcome.

Mass times below.

Prison & After Ministry: A support group is followed by

a meal and fellowship. Mon at 6:00pm

Service Hours: Mass times: W-F: 8:00am, Sat: 5:00am, Sun: 8:00am, 9:30am, & 11:15am (also 6:00pm from autumn to spring). Office hours are M - F: 9am - 5pm

St Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

239 Harvard Street Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-354-8582 stbartscambridge@gmail.com; www.stbartscambridge.org/

Services: Community meal: Wednesday nights 6 - 7pm

St. Francis House See in Category: Food

Straight Ahead Ministries

791 Main Street Worcester, MA 01610 Phone: 508-753-8700 Fax: 508-438-0182

connect@straightahead.org; www.straightahead.org/

Services: Straight Ahead Ministries is a faith-based reentry organization for young adults, ages 16-24. The program supports young men and women who are looking to make a change and pursue positive goals. Straight Ahead Ministries offers opportunities to reengage in education and employment through GED classes and a transitional work program. There is a silkscreen print shop and barber training room where young people can learn skills while getting stable and earning an income for 15 hours a week. It also supports young adults in finding housing and employment and provides court advocacy when needed. The program reaches young adults through outreach in the community, home visits, as well as re-entry groups in local correctional facilities. Contact for more information on how to utilize resources.

Other Locations:

Lawrence Youth Re-Entry Center:

582 Essex St, Unit 6 Lawrence, MA 01841 978-390-8136

Lynn Youth Re-Entry Center:

1 Munroe St, 3rd Fl Lynn, MA 01901 781-592-6070

Worcester Youth Re-Entry Center:

791 Main St

Worcester, MA 01610

508-753-8700

Southeastern MA Youth Re-Entry Center:

PO Box 5061 Fall River, MA 02723 508-642-928

Requirements & Restrictions: Previously incarcerated

young adults, ages 16-24

Languages: Spanish, English, Khmer

Families

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

See in Category: Food

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

Boston Centers for Youth & Families

1483 Tremont Street Boston, MA 02120 Phone: 617-635-4920

Fax: 617-635-4524 BCYF@boston.gov;

www.boston.gov/departments/boston-centers-youth-families

Who to Contact: Varies by center, see Services description for contacts.

Services: Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is the main administrative office for the various adult education classes and recreation centers provided by the City of Boston in neighborhoods throughout the City. BCYF offers affordable programs for residents of all ages across the City. Their goal is to provide quality programs that enrich the lives of residents and meet the needs of the community.

Call for individual BCYF center class hours.

Centers offering Adult Education, Adult Basic Education, and/or Adult Literacy Programs:

Jackson/Mann Community Center

500 Cambridge St., Allston 617-635-5153

Contact Rosie Hanlon or John Vitale

JacksonMannCC@Boston.gov

M – F: 2pm – 9pm; Sat: 9am – 5pm

Grove Hall Community Center

51 Geneva Ave., Dorchester 617-635-1484

Contact Aidee Pomales

GroveHallCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 10am - 6pm

Perkins Community Center

155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester 617-635-5146

Contact Troy Smith or Raymond Heath

PerkinsCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Hyde Park Community Center

1179 River St., Hyde Park 617-635-5178

Contact Robert Hickey or Winston Lloyd

HydeParkCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Centers offering HiSET classes:

HiSET testing is available in various neighborhoods in the City of Boston throughout the academic year. Call for registration information.

Jackson/Mann Community Center

500 Cambridge St., Allston 617-635-5153

Contact Rosie Hanlon John Vitale

JacksonMannCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Grove Hall Community Center

51 Geneva Ave., Dorchester 617-635-1484

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GroveHallCC@Boston.gov

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Perkins Community Center

155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester 617-635-5146

Contact: Troy Smith or Raymond Heath

PerkinsCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Shelburne Community Center

2730 Washington St, Roxbury 617-635-5213

Contact Diane Galloway or Warren Chase

ShelburneCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Centers offering ESOL classes:

Perkins Community Center

155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester 617-635-5146

Contact: Troy Smith or Raymond Heath

PerkinsCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Centers offering Computer/Other Classes:

BCYF offers a variety of computer classes and open access hours in Computer Learning Center Labs throughout the City. Access is available for all ages with a reasonably-priced valid BCYF membership card.

Special classes and programs are offered at reasonable rates.

Charlestown Community Center

255 Medford St., Charlestown 617-635-5169

Contact Bob McGann or Maryanne Wren

CharlestownCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Golden Age Senior Center

382 Main St., Charlestown 617-635-5175

Contact Beverly Gibbons

M - F: 9am - 5pm

Holland Community Center

85 Olney St., Dorchester 617-635-5144

Contact Gloria Moon or Sounja Bynoe

HollandCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Leahy/Holloran Community Center

1 Worrell St., Dorchester 617-635-5150

Contact Jill LaMonica or Lisa Zinck

LeahyHolloranCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Perkins Community Center

155 Talbot Ave., Dorchester 617-635-5146

Contact Troy Smith or Raymond Heath

PerkinsCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Hyde Park Community Center

1179 River St., Hyde Park 617-635-5178

Contact Robert Hickey or Winston Lloyd

HydeParkCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Curtis Hall Community Center

20 South St., Jamaica Plain 617-635-5193

Contact Noel Torres or Jeanette Ayala

CurtisHallCC@Boston.gov

M – F: 6:30am – 9pm; Sat: 9am – 5pm

Menino Community Center

125 Brookway Rd, Roslindale 617-635-5256

Contact Cynthia Johnson or Franna Boyce

MeninoCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Shelburne Community Center

2730 Washington St, Roxbury 617-635-5213

Contact Diane Galloway or Warren Chase

ShelburneCC@Boston.gov

M – F: 6:30am – 9pm; Sat: 9am – 5pm

Tobin Community Center

1481 Tremont St, Mission Hill 617-635-5216

Contact John Jackson or Kate Hennigan

TobinCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Condon Community Center

200 D St., S. Boston 617-635-5100

Contact Judy Ryan or John Lydon

CondonCC@Boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm

Service Hours: Central Office: M - F: 9am - 5pm.

Community Center schedules vary.

Other Locations:

The Nazzaro Community Center

30 North Bennet Street, Boston 617-635-5166

nazzarocc@boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Paris Street Community Center

Temporary Location: 312 Border Street, 617-635-5125

parisstreetcc@boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm

Pool: 6:30am - 8:30pm

Pino Community Center

86 Boardman Street, East Boston 617-635-5120

pinocc@boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Quincy Community Center

885 Washington Street, Boston 617-635-5129

quincycc@boston.gov

M – Th: 2pm – 9pm; Sat: 10am – 6pm

Cleveland Community Center

11 Charles Street, Dorchester 617-635-5141

clevelandcc@boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm

Gallivan Community Center

61 Woodruff Way, Mattapan 617-635-5252

gallivancc@boston.gov

M - F: 6:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Mildred Avenue Community Center

5 Mildred Ave, Mattapan 617-635-1328

mildredavenucc@boston.gov

M - F: 2pm - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 5pm

Boston Public Health Commission: Father Friendly Initiative

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Healthy Baby/Healthy Child

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Mom's Project/Women's Health & Recovery

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Community Legal Services & Counseling Center

See in Category: Legal

Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

EMERGE (Batterer's Intervention)

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Entre Familia

See in Category: Women

FamilyAid Boston

3815 Washington Street Boston, MA 02130

Phone: 617-542-7286

info@familyaidboston.org; www.familyaidboston.org

Services: FamilyAid Boston empowers parents and caregivers facing homelessness to secure and sustain housing and build strong foundations for their children's future. Services include:

 Homelessness prevention for families at risk of losing their homes

- Emergency shelter for families who become homeless
- Housing supports for families returning to housing after a period of homelessness

Service Hours: M-F 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Different programs have differing requirements. All require that an individual or family's last established residency is in Boston. Income guidelines may apply to some programs. Ask when talking to staff.

Languages: Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole

Father's Uplift

12 Southern Avenue Dorchester, MA 02124 Phone: 617-708-0870

info@fathersuplift.org; www.fathersuplift.org/
Services: Fathers' Uplift works to assist fathers in overcoming barriers (financial barriers, addiction barriers, oppressive barriers, emotional barriers and traumatic barriers) that prevent them from remaining engaged in their children's lives. Fathers have a powerful and positive impact upon the development and health of children. Fathers' Uplift is here to help each father reach their potential for themselves and the children in their lives.

Services available:

- Individual therapy
- Family and couples therapy
- Group therapy

There is a form online for anyone looking to receive or refer services. Once you fill out the form, a staff member will contact you in less than 24 hours.

Geiger Gibson Community Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Heading Home

See in Category: Other Groups

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

See in Category: Other Groups

Institute for Health and Recovery – Project Promise

See in Category: Women

John F. Kennedy Family Services Center

Community Resources Center 55 Bunker Hill St Charlestown, MA 02129 Phone: (617) 241-8866 ext. 1352 cgalvin@kennedycenter.org; https://www.kennedycenter.org/

Who to Contact: Crystal Galvin

Services: The Kennedy Center develops and operates high quality programs that serve a wide range of ages and needs to residents of Charlestown and the greater Boston community. Services provided:

Eldercare Services:

- Daily social activities
- Monthly educational speakers
- Monthly health screenings and health education presentations
- Case management services
- Translation & interpretation services in Spanish, English, and Chinese
- Pickup and delivery of prescriptions medications for isolated, frail, and home bound elders
- Medical Escorts for medical appointments
- Trips to local shopping malls and recreational events are provided
- Weekly Fair Foods distribution program
- Cooking and healthy eating classes
- · Heating fuel assistance application processing
- Emergency support service referrals
- Health screening/services and health services referrals
- Weekly senior exercise programs
- Access to a computer lab and computer training

Education Services:

- Preschool Programs
- Toddler Childcare/Early Head Start
- After-school Program
- Parent Handbooks

Community Services:

- Information and referrals to education and job training programs
- Weekly food distribution programs in collaboration with Fair Foods

- Positive parenting classes and food shopping on a budget
- Healthy cooking classes and food shopping on a budget
- Classes in budget preparation and financial literacy training
- Assistance in accessing all forms of local, State, Federal, and corporate low-income support services such as fuel assistance, food stamps (SNAP), housing vouchers, WIC, Summer Works jobs, and low cost internet and computers, etc.
- Emergency support services for those that are: in need of food, clothing, shelter, transportation services to critical appointments; information about and/or referral to organizations that provide services for individuals/families dealing with issues of domestic violence, substance abuse/addiction, and/or mental health concerns.
- Information and referrals for basic health screening services for children and adults.
- Annual Holiday Gift Drive that provides seasonal gifts for over 500 children from low income families.
- Annual Community Pot Luck Luncheon.

Service Hours: Varies by program.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be an elder or disabled adult. Some programs require Boston residency or low to moderate income.

Languages: English, Spanish, Chinese

Just-A-Start Corporation

See in Category: Employment

La Alianza Hispana

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House

See in Category: Other Groups

Mothers for Justice and Equality

See in Category: Women

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC)

See in Category: Other Groups

Parenting Journey

366 Somerville Avenue Somerville, MA 02143 Phone: 617-628-8815 www.parentingjourney.org/

Services: Parenting Journey focuses on partnering with parents to build stronger families by developing their inner strengths, life skills, and networks of resources they need to succeed.

In a Parenting Journey program, a small group of parents and caregivers meet for 2 hours a week for 12 or 14 weeks. The program includes activities, discussions, a family-style meal, and complimentary childcare. During the final session, family and friends are invited to attend a Graduation Ceremony. At this celebration, Parenting Journeys honor the participation, accomplishments, and strengths of each program participant. Parenting Journey Programs:

- Parenting Journey I
- Parenting Journey for Fathers
- Sober Parenting Journey
- Parenting in America
- Parenting Journey II

Program Features:

Nutritious Meal – Start each session with a family-style meal while connecting with others in the group.

Childcare – Onsite childcare is provided during each session.

Group Participation – Each session will include group activities and discussion. Participants can share their experiences, thoughts, and feelings in an environment of safety, trust, and respect.

Supportive Facilitation – In its non-judgmental program model, facilitators are trained professionals who engage fully, as equals. They strive to create an atmosphere that promotes open and honest discussion.

Other Locations:

New York Office 80 Maiden Lane, 11th Floor New York, NY 10038 (212) 430-5909

Requirements & Restrictions: No matter where you are from, no matter what your background, you are welcome at Parenting Journey. We work with mothers, fathers, and caregivers from all walks of life, raising children of all ages.

Languages: English, Haitian-Creole, Portuguese, and Spanish

Parents Helping Parents/Parental Stress Line 108 Water St. Watertown, MA 02720 24/7 Hotline: 1-800-632-8188 info@parentshelpingparents.org; www.parentshelpingparents.org/

Who to Contact: Parental Stress Line Counselor

Services: Parents Helping Parents offers parent support groups in many locations in Massachusetts. Please see the website for a current list of active groups.

Parents Helping Parents also offers prison-based parent support groups at Suffolk, Bristol, Middlesex, Plymouth and Norfolk County House of Correction and MCI Norfolk and MCI Framingham.

This organization also runs the Parental Stress Line -1-800-632-8188, a 24 hour helpline for parents.

All services are confidential, anonymous, and free.

Service Hours: Hotline: 24 hours; Support Groups: Weekly

Waiting Time: Hotline: 2 minutes; Groups: none Languages: Translation services available for Parental Stress Line calls.

Project Hope

550 Dudley Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-442-1880 Fax: 617-238-0473

info@prohope.org; www.prohope.org/

Who to Contact: Main Office

Services: Project Hope provides shelter, education, job training, childcare and housing support services to families. Below is the list of Project Hope programs with enrollment opportunities:

Education

Adult Educational Services (AES): AES offers three levels of full-time Pre-HSE and HSE instruction to women 18 years of age and older who need to improve basic academic skills. The program includes foundation classes in Next Steps Planning and Women of Strength, a variety of electives and opportunities for career exploration and internships. 617-442-1880 X239

English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL): ESOL offers part time classes to improve English reading, writing, listening and speaking skills for women 18 years of age and older. 617-442-1880 X251

Higher Education: The program provides support for participating students interested in attending college, including accessing financial support through colleges'

financial aid offices and the One Family Scholars program. 617-442-1880 X239

Career Development/Job Training

Workforce Development & Employer Partnerships (WDEP): WDEP was founded to assist women—single mothers predominantly—and other community members in the Dudley neighborhood who found that without adequate training and an accessible path to employers their dreams of living wage jobs were out of reach. WDEP provides the link between community residents and work, supporting them with:

- 1. Job readiness training
- 2. Access to career ladder job opportunities, and
- 3. Ongoing case management support for a full year after job placement

To register for an upcoming open house, visit www.prohope.org/openhouse_form.htm. For questions about open houses, please visit our frequently asked questions page. If you have additional questions, please call 617-442-1880 ext. 218 to leave a message. A staff member will return your call.

Collaborative Shelter Program

Collaborative Shelter Program is an opportunity for homeless adults who are interested in job readiness training or educational referrals. Referrals to the Collaborative Shelter Program are made by shelter staff. 617-442-1880 x239

Housing Services

Homelessness Prevention and Housing Search Services: A team of experienced staff provides housing counseling, landlord negotiation, budgeting advice, and housing search assistance workshops to families who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. 617-442-1880 x219

Family & Children's Services

Children's Center: Teachers trained in the field of Early Childhood Education foster the development of the children in a safe and educational environment. The Center is a full-time, year-round program accredited by NAEYC. Hours of care are 7:30am-5:30pm and transportation is provided for families with a Child Care Choices voucher. Open to children ages 2 months to 5 years. 617-442-1880 X280

Home-Based Family Child Care Network: Project Hope's network of licensed child care providers, many whom have national credentials and college degrees, provide

high-quality care in Dorchester, Roxbury, South End, Jamaica Plain, Roslindale and Hyde. Multi-lingual (English, Spanish, and Haitian Creole) providers are available for part and full-time child care. We offer help accessing subsidized child care, and transportation services are provided in some cases. 617-442-1880 X216

Service Hours: M – F: 9am – 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Programs are primarily for homeless, formerly homeless or low-income women with children. The Adult Education program is open to women over the age of 18. The job training programs and housing services are open to all individuals.

Shelter requires referral from DTA. Financial assistance is only provided to families with children under the age of 18.

Languages: Spanish, Haitian Creole, Cape Verdean Creole

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Roxbury Multi-Service Center See in Category: Other Groups

Salvation Army Social Services
See in Category: Other Groups

Somerville Homeless Coalition See in Category: Other Groups

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

The Federation for Children with Special Needs

See in Category: Disability

Three65DAD INC. (365DAD)

1 Westinghouse Plaza, Suite A101 Hyde Park, MA 02136 Phone: 617-238-7105

mneal@365dad.net; www.365dad.life

Who to Contact: Marv Neal

Services: 365DAD's mission is to connect, equip and transform men with positive parenting practices to build better families through education, support, and services.

- Group & meetings facilitation
- Program trainings

- Outing coordination
- Professional development for other providers
- Consultations
- Service referrals

 Service Market M. F. Sam., 6nn.

Service Hours: M-F 8am - 6pm **Languages:** English, Spanish

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services: Office

of Child Support EnforcementSee in Category: Administrative Issues

Union of Minority NeighborhoodsSee in Category: Other Groups

United Way's 211 Helpline See in Category: Hotlines

Food

ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

See in Category: Education

AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

American Red Cross: Boston Food Pantry

1033 Massachusetts Avenue Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-375-0735

Fax: 617-236-1289

david.andre@redcross.org;

www.redcross.org/local/mass a chusetts/food-nutrition

Services: The Boston Food Pantry provides clients with a 5-day emergency supply of food once a month.

The Pantry also provides food stamp (SNAP) application assistance.

Service Hours: Wed. & Sat. 9am - 12pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Bring photo ID for head of house and any form of ID for other household members.

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

351 Boylston Street Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-536-7050 info@fridaynightsupper.org; www.fridaynightsupper.org/

Who to Contact: Cameron McDonald

Services: Every Friday, the <u>Friday Night Supper Program</u> (FNSP) provides a free hot nutritious meal to anyone who would like one. No registration or sign up is required, no questions are asked. While the majority of guests are currently male, everyone, including women and children are welcome. The FNSP provides a Women Only table for female guests and their children.

The meals are served out of the basement of the Arlington Street Church. Guests can begin to line up in the public alley off Arlington Street at 4:30pm. Doors open at 5pm and dinner is served at 6pm.

Other services provided during Friday Night supper include:

<u>Clothing Closet</u>: Clothing is provided to those in need every Friday. Guest put in a request for clothes from 5pm-6pm and the Clothing Closet opens at 6:30pm.

Resource Cards: Information is provided that details free resources for guests to access in the city of Boston. Resource Cards include Employment, Education Services, and Health Care Services.

Service Hours: Fridays: 5pm - 7pm

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

Berea Seventh Day Adventist

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Bethel Baptist Church

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Boston Rescue Mission

See in Category: Other Groups

Bridge Over Troubled Waters

See in Category: Other Groups

Brighton Allston Congregational Church: Thrift Shop and Food Pantry

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Brookline Food Pantry

15 Saint Paul St St. Paul's Episcopal Church Brookline, MA 02446 Phone: 617-800-5339

brooklinefoodpantry@gmail.com; www.brooklinefoodpantry.org/

Services: The food pantry is open Tuesday-Thursday and Saturdays; see hours below. The Brookline Food Pantry follows the Brookline Public Schools calendar for emergency closings. When the schools are closed, the pantries are also closed.

Service Hours: Tu 10am - 2pm; W 3pm - 6pm; Th 11am - 2pm

Other Locations: 55A Egmont Street, Brookline 02446 Open Thursdays 3pm – 7pm; Saturdays 10am – 1pm

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Brookline residents only (proof of address required)
 - Non-Brookline Residents who have children in Brookline schools and have letter showing participation in the school subsidy lunch program are eligible to shop at the pantry

- Letter of need/referral from any one of the following:
 - o Mental Health Agency
 - Social worker
 - o Doctor/Health agency
 - Interfaith agency
 - Tenant at a Brookline Housing Authority Building (if name is on our master list no need for a letter)
 - Brookline School letter showing participation in the school subsidy lunch program
- If no referral from those listed above, provide proof of participation in any of the following State and Federal Programs:
 - Mass Health (Medicaid) –
 Commonwealth Care
 - o SNAP (Formerly Food Stamp Program)
 - Department of Transitional Assistance (Child Services)
 - EAEDC (Emergency Aid to Elders, Disabled and Children)
 - o RAFT (Residence Assistance for Families in Transition)
 - o Unemployment Benefits
 - SSI (Supplemental Security Income)
 - TAFDC (Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children)
 - Veterans' Assistance
 - TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
 - WIC (Women, Infants & Children up to age 5 at nutritional risk)
- Clients can shop once every two weeks.
- However, non-registered clients are allowed to shop once and need to bring in required documentation on their next visit in order to shop in the future.

If a client does not meet any of the above or if they have questions, please have them call Elizabeth Boen, Director @ 617-800-5339.

Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee

See in Category: Other Groups

Cambridge Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

Cathedral Church of St. Paul

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston: Haitian Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Christ Church Cambridge: Harvard Square Churches Meal Program

Zero Garden Street Cambridge, MA 02138 Phone: 617-876-0200

Fax: 617-876-0201 hscmpinc@gmail.com;

www.harvardsquare.com/harvard-square-churchesmeal-program

Services: The Christ Church of Cambridge operates a weekly community supper; this meal service takes place every Thursday at 5pm.

Community Servings

18 Marbury Terrace Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-522-7777

Fax: 617-522-7770 www.servings.org/

Who to Contact: Michael Morin

Services: Community Servings is a food and nutrition program to individuals and families living with critical and chronic illnesses. It also offers a job training program that consists of a 12-week curriculum covering all factors of working in a professional kitchen, including food safety, nutrition, knife skills and quality food preparation.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be a citizen or be legally registered. Proficiency in English at 7th grade level (ABE) or better. CORI friendly; not SORI friendly.

Waiting Time: Offers 4 12-week cycles yearly

Languages: English only

East End House: Emergency Food Program

105 Spring Street Cambridge, MA 02141 Phone: 617-876-4444 info@eastendhouse.org;

www.eastendhouse.org/programs-andservices/emergency-food-program

Services: East End House offers a number of programs to the community:

<u>Workshops</u>- Tax assistance, flu clinics, nutrition classes, financial planning, health screenings, yoga classes, and more.

<u>Benefit eligibility program</u>- Mass Health, EAEDC, food stamps, fuel assistance, TAFDC, SSDI)

<u>Infant necessities program</u> – Baby goods provided to families in need, plus referrals and resources to expecting and new parents

<u>Computer classes</u> – Free classes to community members at varying skill levels

<u>Food pantry</u> – Fresh fruits and vegetables, canned and dry goods, meats, and dairy products. Community members are welcome to visit the pantry two times per month. Eligibility for food pantry below.

Requirements & Restrictions: Food pantry- Individuals and families in need in the Cambridge and greater Boston area with no residency restrictions. On your first visit, you will be required to fill out an intake form. Bring ID and a form of income verification. Acceptable forms of verification include pay stubs, Medicare/Mass Health card, a DTA/EBT card, a referral, a benefit statement, or any other document that proves your income status, or that your age is over 62.

Faith Lutheran Church: Faith Kitchen

Faith Lutheran Church 311 Broadway Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-945-4395

info@faithcambridge.org; www.faithkitchen.org/

Services: In partnership with Temple Beth Shalom, Faith Lutheran Church serves meals at 6:30 p.m. on the second and last Tuesdays of each month. Cooking starts around 5:30, and anyone can help. You don't have to sign up ahead of time. Feel free to bring in your own containers for leftovers!

Service Hours: Second and last Tuesdays each month, 6:30pm.

First Church in Cambridge

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

First Church in Jamaica Plain: Food Pantry

6 Eliot Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-524-1634

firstchurchjpoffice@gmail.com; www.firstchurchjp.org/

Services: Our Food Pantry serves more than 120 people per month. People of all ages, races, and circumstances

come to the Food Pantry. The pantry provides basic staples like pasta and canned goods, fresh produce when available, bakery bread, and a few personal items.

Service Hours: First and third Thursday: 11am - 12pm. The Food Pantry does not operate during July and August. (A schedule is posted on the church's Eliot Street door.)

Requirements & Restrictions: People of all ages, races, and circumstances come to the Food Pantry. We do not ask for identification or documentation of any kind.

First Parish Church: Tuesday Meals Program

3 Church Street Cambridge, MA 02138 Phone: 617-876-7772

office@firstparishcambridge.org; www.firstparishcambridge.org/testing/

Who to Contact: Carol Lewis

Services: Dinner is provided on Tuesdays, both on site

and to go.

Service Hours: Tuesdays, 5:30pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be sober.

Food Not Bombs

Central Square
Cambridge, MA 02139
www.foodnotbombs.net/new_site/

Services: Food Not Bombs recovers food that would have been discarded and share it as a way of protesting war and poverty. FNB serves free and healthy vegetarian or vegan meals at the Central Square T stop every Saturday Sundays 3-5pm and the Park Street T stop every Friday 3-5pm.

Foodsource Hotline – Project Bread

145 Border Street East Boston, MA 02128 Phone (Hotline): 1-800-645-8333 TTY: 1-800-377-1292

info@projectbread.org; www.projectbread.org/gethelp/foodsource-hotline.html

Services: Project Bread toll-free FoodSource Hotline is the only comprehensive statewide information and referral service in Massachusetts for people facing hunger.

Project Bread's toll-free FoodSource Hotline provides:

 Information on and referrals to emergency food pantries and meal programs

- Information about SNAP/food stamps including screening for eligible and general questions from current recipients
- Over the phone SNAP application assistance and follow-up
- Information about free and reduced-price school and summer meal programs for children
- Information on the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC)

Service Hours: M - F: 8am - 7pm; Sat: 10am - 2pm

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Service available by telephone only.
- o Available to all Massachusetts residents.
- Having a criminal record and/or being homeless does NOT disqualify anyone from being eligible for Food Stamps.

Languages: The Hotline has links to 160 languages – specify desired language when calling.

Haley House

See in Category: Housing

Haley House Bakery Training Program

See in Category: Employment

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Harvest Food Pantry

Cambridgeport Baptist Church 459 Putnam Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-252-0005

Fax: 617-576-6779

theharvestfoodpantry@gmail.com; www.cambridgeportbaptist.org/harvest-pantry/ **Who to Contact:** Cambridgeport Baptist Church

Services:

<u>Food Pantry:</u> free grocery items including: dry goods, canned goods, bread, and fresh produce

<u>Clothes:</u> Gently used clothing in good condition for minimal cost. See Cost description below.

Service Hours: First & Third Saturdays, Monthly, 9:00am-10:30am (closed only for major holidays or severe weather)

Requirements & Restrictions: There are no income restrictions to visit the pantry, but a personal identification card is required at the time of check-in.

Waiting Time: Varies, 45 - 90 minutes

Languages: English

Harvest on Vine by St. Mary-St. Catherine of Siena Parish

49 Vine Street Charlestown, MA 02129 Phone: 617-990-7314

tmacdonald@stmarystcatherine.org; www.stmarystcatherine.org/harvest-on-vine/foodpantry/

Services: <u>Food Pantry:</u> Each family receives approximately one week's worth of food (e.g. pasta, rice, cereal, canned fruit, vegetables, soup, milk and meat and basic toiletries (e.g. toilet paper, tissue paper, soap). Each family may shop according to personal preference. Shopping allows families to select the food they want, so that no food is wasted.

Service Hours: The second Saturday of every month at 10 am; the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm

Requirements & Restrictions: All residents of Charlestown in need are welcome. Registration occurs on the days of distribution, families looking to join should bring photo identification that indicates Charlestown residency.

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Loaves and Fishes, First Korean Church

First Korean Church 35 Magazine St Cambridge, MA 02139

Services: Serves a buffet dinner every Saturday at 5:30. Food pantry also available.

Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House

See in Category: Other Groups

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Ave. Baptist Church: Project MANNA

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

See in Category: Emergency Assistance

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC)

See in Category: Other Groups

Paulist Center

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Pilgrim Church

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Salvation Army Social Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Somerville Homeless Coalition, Food Assistance

165 Broadway Somerville, MA 02143 Phone: 617-776-7687

Fax: 617-776-6640 projectsoup@shcinc.org;

www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/programs/foodservices/

Who to Contact: Nina Siciliano, Manager

Services: A free community supper program is held on Mondays at 4:30pm at First Congregational Church of Somerville, 89 College Avenue, Davis Square.

Project Soup has food pantries, with fresh produce and meat, in the following locations:

Main Food Pantry: Saint Benedict's Church

165 Broadway (corner of Cross Street; same building as

Senior Center) Somerville, MA 02145

M: closed, T: 12pm – 4pm, W: 9am – 3pm, Th: 2pm – 7pm, F: 9am – 3pm, Sat. & Sun.: closed.

Emergency Food Pantry

Somerville Homeless Coalition Offices

1 Davis Square, Somerville 02145

M-F: 9am - 5pm

Monthly groceries delivered to eligible elderly and disabled individuals in Somerville. By application only.

Project SOUP staff also provide assistance filling out stamp applications, give referrals to other agencies, and provide health and nutrition outreach.

Service Hours: Mon. 10 am - 2pm, Tues. 12pm - 4pm, Wed. 9am - 3pm, Thurs. 12pm - 4pm, Fri. 9am - 3pm, Sat-Sun CLOSED

Other Locations: See Services.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be a resident of Somerville and have a photo ID. A person can only access the pantry once per month.

Languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole

St Bartholomew's Episcopal Church

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

St. Francis House

39 Boylston Street Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-542-4211

Fax: 617-542-4705

info@stfrancishouse.org; www.stfrancishouse.org/

Who to Contact: Day Center Supervisor

Services: St. Francis House provides a number of services including: breakfast and lunch, clean and seasonally appropriate clothing, daytime shelter and showers, medical care.

St. Francis House also provides housing on-site. The Next Step Housing Program at St. Francis House provides single-occupancy rooms for 56 single, low-income men and women who have experienced homelessness, unemployment, and substance abuse.

<u>Meals</u>

Breakfast: 7:30am – 9am daily

• Lunch: 11:30am – 1pm daily

- Emergency Sandwiches provided after 2:45 pm
- Meals are free and served 365 days a year.

Mail and ID Services

The address of St. Francis House can be used as a temporary mailing address. Mail will not be held after 30 days. The address is:

 (Name), c/o St. Francis House 39 Boylston Street Boston, MA 02116

Mail pick-up times are:

M-Th: 9am - 11:30am & 1pm - 3pm

• F: 9am – 11:30am

• Sat: 10am – 10:30am

Additional programs include a variety of education and life-style groups, a Women's Center, case management, local transportation, clothing, and housing assistance. The following web page links provide additional information about St. Francis services:

- Medical Clinic
- Counseling
- Women's Center
- Art Therapy
- Music Group and Choir
- Vocational Services
- Housing
- And more

Service Hours: Hours vary depending on program. Call or visit website for details.

Requirements & Restrictions: <u>Daytime Shelter and</u>
Resource Center: For guests who are new to St. Francis
House, the Hospitality Desk in the Resource Center
should be their first stop. There, guests get a St. Francis
House ID, which will help them access many of our
services, including case management or mental health
counseling.

No pets. Service animals are allowed.

Languages: English, Spanish

St. James Helping Hands Food Pantry

364 Rindge Avenue Cambridge, MA 02140

foodpantry@stjames-cambridge.org; www.stjames-cambridge.org/helping-hand-food-pantry/

Services: Helping Hand Food Pantry is an all-volunteer operation that provides groceries on the second Saturday of every month to individuals in need of assistance.

During St. James's redevelopment, the Food Pantry will be held at Fresh Pond Apartments, 364 Rindge Avenue, Cambridge.

Service Hours: Sat: 11am-12:30pm (Second Saturday of the month, only!)

Requirements & Restrictions: Helping Hand serves all in need. It has no identification or residency requirements.

Waiting Time: 45 minutes

Union Baptist Church of Cambridge - Project Uplift

874 Main Street Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-864-6600

churchadmin@ubccambridge.org; www.ubccambridge.org/ministries/project-uplift/

Services: Project Uplift is a weekly dinner program for the homeless and needy families every Thursday evening.

Service Hours: Thursdays: 5pm - 6pm

Weekend Emergency Food Pantry – Church of the Covenant

67 Newbury Street Church of the Covenant Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-266-7480

www.cotcbos.org/food-cupboard.html

Who to Contact: Faith Perry

Services: The Weekend Emergency Food Pantry program offered by Church of the Covenant provides free groceries and other necessities to Boston residents in urgent need. It operates out of the back entry at Church of the Covenant. The building is located at the corner of Berkeley and Newbury Streets in Boston's Back Bay and the food pantry entry is down the alley off of Berkeley Street.

Service Hours: Sat & Sun: 10am - 12pm

Requirements & Restrictions: People seeking assistance should bring photo identification. Visits are limited to once per month.

Women's Lunch Place See in Category: Women

Fuel Assistance

ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

See in Category: Education

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

City of Cambridge Fuel Assistance Program/DHSP

51 Inman Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
Phone: 617-349-6252
dhspfuel@cambridgema.gov;
www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/programsforadults/fuela
ssistance

Services: The fuel assistance program may be able to help pay the winter heating bills of households in Cambridge and Somerville if they meet the income guidelines. Eligibility for the program is determined by gross household income that falls within the Federal Poverty guidelines.

Service Hours: M 8:30am-8:00pm T-Th 8:30am-5:00pm

F 8:30am-12:00pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must meet certain household income guidelines to be eligible.

Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

See in Category: Housing

Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance (DTA)

See in Category: Emergency Assistance

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC)

See in Category: Other Groups

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Hotlines

Alcoholics Anonymous

See in Category: Substance Use

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Child-at-Risk Hotline

Phone: 1-800-792-5200

www.jbcc.harvard.edu/child-risk-hotline

Services: The Hotline is run by Judge Baker Children's Center and is part of the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Massachusetts state agency charged with the responsibility of protecting children from child abuse and neglect.

A 30-member staff is trained to assess the urgency of each call, elicit critical information, and provide a sympathetic ear. In situations where children are at imminent risk, an emergency response is initiated, with DCF field staff launching the investigations.

Services are provided by phone only, the Hotline is NOT able to provide services on its website or by email.

Service Hours: 24/7

Eastern Regional Legal Intake (ERLI)

See in Category: Legal

Foodsource Hotline - Project Bread

See in Category: Food

Gamblers Anonymous

See in Category: Support Groups

Helpline, MA Substance Abuse Information and Education

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

National Domestic Violence Hotline

Phone (Toll-Free): 1-800-799-SAFE (7233)

TTY: 1-800-787-3224 www.thehotline.org/

Services: Trained advocates are available to talk with those affected by domestic violence, offering crisis intervention, options for next steps, and connections to

direct services. Women, men, or children can call the hotline number or instant message with advocates by clicking the "chat" button on the website. Anyone can call.

The Hotline is also an excellent source of help for concerned friends, family, co-workers and others seeking information and guidance on how to help someone they know.

Service Hours: Hotline and chat are 24/7.

Languages: Bilingual advocates are on hand to speak with callers, and the Language Line offers translations in 170+ different languages.

National Sexual Assault Hotline

Phone: 1-800-656-HOPE (4673) www.rainn.org/

Services: This hotline connects callers to the nearest available services for survivors of sexual assault. Instant message is possible by clicking the "chat" button on the website.

The National Sexual Assault Hotline is a safe, confidential service. When you call the hotline, only the first six numbers of the phone number are used to route the call, and your complete phone number is never stored in our system. Most states do have laws that require local staff to contact authorities in certain situations, like if there is a child or vulnerable adult who is in danger.

Service Hours: Hotline and online chat available 24/7

Languages: English, Spanish

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

Hotline (Toll-Free): 1-800-LIFE-NET (1-800-273-8255)

Hotline (TTY): 1-800-799-4889 Español: 1-888-628-9454 www.suicidepreventionlifeline.org/

Services: The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a 24-hour, toll-free, confidential suicide prevention hotline available to anyone in suicidal crisis or emotional distress. Your call will be routed to the nearest crisis center in a national network of more than 150 crisis centers. The Lifeline is a national network of local crisis centers that provide crisis counseling and mental health referrals day and night. Instant messaging services available by clicking "chat" on website.

Service Hours: 24/7

Languages: English, Spanish

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New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous See in Category: Substance Use

Parents Helping Parents/Parental Stress Line See in Category: Families

Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Rape Crisis Hotline – Pathways for Change

588 Main Street
Worcester, MA 01608
24/7 Hotline: 1-800-870-5905
TTY (M-F 9am-5pm): 888-887-7130
www.pathwaysforchange.help/pfc/

Who to Contact: Counseling Services

Services: If you or someone you know has been sexually assaulted, call the Rape Crisis Hotline. A counselor is available to offer support and information. A TTY is available for deaf and hard of hearing individuals weekdays from 9am-5pm at 888-887-7130. MassRelay (TTY service) also available by calling 711 or Video Relay Operators are available by calling 866-327-8877.

Pathways for Change provides counseling services for those that are victims of a sexual assault.

Service Hours: Hotline is available 24/7. TTY is available 9am-5pm.

Languages: Counseling services are provided by staff onsite in English, Spanish, and American Sign Language. Other languages can be accommodated in counseling sessions with advance notice through the use of interpreters. A collaboration with the AT&T Language Line provides immediate access to interpreters for the hotline in more than 150 languages.

REACH Beyond Domestic Violence

Phone: 1- 800-899-4000 www.reachma.org/

Services: REACH provides safety and support to survivors of abuse. Callers can speak with advocates about getting to safety or for a compassionate listening ear. The Hotline also provides referrals and information about other REACH services.

Service Hours: 24/7

Languages: English, can accommodate other languages

through secure translators

Registrants and Families Support Line

Phone: 800-773-4319

hotline@thesupporthotline.org; www.womenagainstregistry.org/page-1730789

Services: This support hotline or helpline is here to provide hope and encouragement to registrants and family members, women, mothers, grandmothers, sisters, daughters, children, friends, and others that are suffering collateral damage because a family member, friend, or loved one is on the sex offender registry. The support hot line is open to everyone that is suffering from the collateral damage of the sex offender registry. This is a service provided by Women Against Registry in collaboration with RSOL, and SOSEN and paid for by donations and membership fees paid to this web site.

The Support Line is not a substitute for professional counseling, treatment or consultation with an attorney. Any actions or lack of actions by the recipient after contacting the Support Line is the sole responsibility of the recipient. Neither RSOL, SOSEN nor Women Against Registry will be held responsible or liable in any regard. The Support Line DOES NOT support nor can we provide service to any person who is engaging in illegal activities and ask those calls be directed to: Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453).

Service Hours: 10am-10pm

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

SafeLink

SafeLink 24/7 Hotline: 1-877-785-2020 TTY: 1-877-521-2601

info@casamyrna.org; www.casamyrna.org/getsupport/safelink/

Services: SafeLink is the Massachusetts statewide domestic violence hotline and is operated by Casa Myrna Vazquez, Inc. in Boston. SafeLink is answered by trained advocates 24/7.

- Safety Planning: Victims of domestic violence learn how they and their families can stay safe
- Supportive Listening: We provide a safe space in which to talk about what's happening in your relationship
- Direct connection to domestic violence shelter programs across Massachusetts
- Referrals to local domestic violence and community services
- Support and resources for anyone who is concerned about a victim of domestic violence

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Crisis Intervention

See Casa Myrna entry for more services.

Languages: English, Spanish, and other languages translated through interpreter services.

Samaritans

41 West Street, 4th Floor Boston, MA 02111 Hotline: 877-870-4673

Office Phone: 617-536-2460 info@samaritanshope.org/ www.samaritanshope.org/

Services: This suicide prevention hotline is free, confidential, anonymous and available 24/7. Samaritan volunteers offer support for depressed, lonely and suicidal callers. This program also supports those calling with concerns for others.

Using the same hotline number, Samaritans also offers a text service for those seeking help and support.

In Boston and metrowest communities, Samaritans offers community education and outreach workshops on identifying those at risk for suicide and suicide prevention strategies, SafePlace support groups for those who have lost someone to suicide and a network of survivors who are trained volunteers able to meet personally with those who have recently lost someone to suicide.

Service Hours: 24/7

Social Security: Benefits After Incarceration See in Category: Administrative Issues

Stop It Now! Helpline

351 Pleasant Street Suite B-319 Northampton, MA 01060 Helpline: 1-888-773-8368

helpline@stopitnow.org; www.stopitnow.org/

Services: The Resource Guide on this website lists a number of relevant organizations including resources for referrals for treatment providers. Stop It Now! also maintains a Helpline for adults who are at risk for sexually abusing a child, for friends and family members of sexual abusers and/or victims, and for parents of children with sexual behavior problems. The toll-free Helpline is confidential and no caller ID is used. The Helpline also offers an email service to answer individuals' questions and provide guidance and resources. Chat option available on website.

Service Hours: Helpline is available M-F 12pm - 6pm, Online chat and email times vary. Check website for more information.

Requirements & Restrictions: All direct services are done by telephone and email.

Languages: English, some Spanish literature available online.

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

The Network – La Red See in Category: LGBTQ+

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, IRIS

See in Category: Veterans

United Way's 211 Helpline

Phone : 211 Phone (Toll-free): 1-877-211-6277 TTY: 508-370-4890 www.mass211.org/

Services: Free, 24/7 confidential hotline for finding government benefits and services, reentry help, non-profit organizations, support groups, job training programs, volunteer opportunities, legal matters, housing, childcare, health utilities, donation programs, and other local resources. Also available via "chat" on website.

Service Hours: Hotline and chat available 24/7.

Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese, and other languages translated through interpreter services.

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Housing

ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

See in Category: Education

AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Brooke House

107 Park Dr Boston, MA 02115 Phone: (617) 867-0300 Fax: (617) 867-0344

Services: Brooke House is a 65-bed Community based Residential Reentry Program for male returning citizens. Residents receive evidence-based case management services and in-house clinical services that emphasize successful reentry.

Requirements & Restrictions: Men referred by the county sheriffs' departments, the Massachusetts Department of Correction, the Massachusetts Parole Board, or the Massachusetts Probation service.

Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee

See in Category: Other Groups

Cambridge Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation

See in Category: Employment

FamilyAid Boston

See in Category: Families

Father Bill's Place

See in Category: Shelters

Foundation House

155 Mill St

Boston, MA 01108

Phone: (413) 886-0110 ext. 3242

Fax: (413) 886-0122

crj@crjustice.org; www.crj.org/divisions/social-justice-

services/programs/

Services: Foundation House is a 28-bed Community-based Residential Reentry Program for male and female returning citizens. Residents receive evidence-based case management services and in-house clinical services that emphasize successful reentry.

Requirements & Restrictions: Men and women are referred by county sheriff's departments, the Massachusetts Department of Correction, the Massachusetts Parole Board, or the Massachusetts Probation Service.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

Haley House

23 Dartmouth Street Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-236-8132

info@haleyhouse.org; www.haleyhouse.org/

Services:

<u>Meal services:</u> (All located at 23 Dartmouth Street) Breakfast: For men only. Mon. – Fri.: 5:30am – 9am,

Sun. 9am - 12pm

<u>Elder Meal:</u> Afternoon meal for men and women aged 55 and older. Tues. & Thur. from 12pm – 2:30pm and Sundays from 1pm – 4pm.

<u>Food Pantry:</u> Thursdays from 10:30am – 11:30am. Registration required; call or visit website for upcoming registration dates.

Housing: Haley House owns and/or manages 109 affordable housing units throughout Boston's South End. The majority are supported by project-based Section 8 subsidies, which enable people with low income to live securely in their own homes, without fear of being displaced.

24 single-room-occupancy (SRO) units are reserved for individuals who are living in shelters or transitional programs and are ready to move into permanent housing. Individuals must be on or eligible for the Boston Housing Authority (BHA) waitlist and meet certain other requirements. An additional two

unsubsidized units are reserved for Resident Managers. To apply for the subsidized units, individuals should call 617-236-8132 and ask to speak with the Housing Director to schedule an appointment.

Five SRO units are reserved for individuals who manage our direct service programs and accept the challenge to participate in the Haley House Live-In program.

Nine additional family units are not supported by formal subsidies. Rents are established on a sliding scale for the purpose of creating a small community of individuals who represent a cross-section of economies.

69 subsidized family units, collectively known as Interfaith Apartments, are owned jointly with Madison Park Development Corporation and are managed by Maloney Properties. To apply for these units, please call the management company at 617-927-0002 and ask to speak with the Property Manager.

Service Hours: See above for schedule.

Requirements & Restrictions: Men only for breakfast meals. Elder meals for men and women age 55 and older only. Food Pantry requires registration. Call or visit website for upcoming registration dates. Those who wish to register need to present a valid photo ID with a permanent address and are eligible to come every other week. We accept registrations on a rolling basis as our supply permits, but do not take drop-ins.

Heading Home

See in Category: Other Groups

Hearth

1640 Washington Street Boston, MA 02118

Intake/Resident Placement: 617-369-1578 info@hearth-home.org; www.hearth-home.org/

Who to Contact: Intake/Resident Placement

Services: Hearth provides an array of supportive services for the elderly and homeless. Specific services include housing operated directly by Hearth, external housing search services, and stabilization case management for homeless and at risk adults who are 55 years or older.

Case Managers are available at the following shelters:

- Pine Street Men's Inn: Wednesdays 10am –
 12pm
- Pine Street Women's Inn: Fridays 10am 12pm
- Rosie's Place: Thursdays 9am 11pm

- New England Center and Home for Vets: Wednesdays 3pm – 5pm
- Barbara McInnis House: Thursdays 10am –
 12pm
- Cardinal Medeiros Center: Every Other Thursday from 10am – 12pm
- Kit Clark: Wednesdays 10am 12am
- South Hampton Shelter: Thursdays 10am
 12am

You must be a current guest to access services at the following shelter:

Woods Mullen Shelter: Wednesdays from 9am
 - 11pm

Call or visit website for information and application.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations: Representation at all major shelter

locations.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 50+ years old

and homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Waiting Time: 1 to 3 weeks Languages: English, Spanish

HomeStart, Inc.

105 Chauncy Street, Suite 502 Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-542-0338

Fax: 617-542-1454

Eviction Prevention Hotline: 617-542-1454 homestart@homestart.org; www.homestart.org/

Services: HomeStart provides affordable housing search services and homelessness prevention services to individuals and families. HomeStart also offers help in money management and training/technical assistance.

HomeStart has walk in hours every Wednesday from 3pm – 4:45pm to provide brief housing consultation and referrals to appropriate housing resources.

Housing Search: Our advocates work with clients from more than 50 shelters and programs to obtain apartments and subsidized housing. We provide support and compassion to help our clients navigate the difficult and complicated process of transitioning from a shelter to permanent housing. Our Housing Search services include several targeted initiatives for homeless veterans and a Rapid Re-Housing Program that administers rental start-up assistance and helps people rapidly move into market rate housing.

<u>Stabilization:</u> After moving into permanent housing, individuals and families face the greatest challenges to maintaining their housing. We help each participant reintegrate into the community; this may include money management programs, life skills training, and more. As of 2013 96% of our stabilization clients are still in housing one year later.

<u>Homelessness Prevention:</u> Our Prevention Program utilizes a combination of housing and stabilization knowledge, mediation techniques, legal advocacy, and flexible monetary funds to help high-risk households retain their housing and avoid going to shelters.

Housing First: The Housing First Program helps disabled individuals move directly from the streets and into permanent housing. HomeStart provides these individuals with wraparound support services as they obtain the life skills, physical and psychological attention they need to maintain housing.

<u>Vacancy Clearinghouse:</u> In partnership with the City of Boston's 15% homeless set-aside program, HomeStart operates a vacancy clearinghouse that matches people who are homeless with government-funded housing units in Boston. HomeStart conducts outreach to property management companies, streamlines the tenant application process, matches tenants to units, and provides tenants with follow-up support services.

<u>Veteran Housing:</u> In partnerships with the New England Center for Homeless Veterans, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and the Boston Housing Authority, HomeStart's advocates assist homeless military veterans and veteran families throughout the Greater Boston area in the housing search process and then provide them with upfront financial costs upon movein.

Service Hours: Office Mon. - Fri. 9am - 5pm; Walk-In Hours Wed. 3pm - 4:45pm

Requirements & Restrictions: To enter 105 Chauncy Street, you must present a valid form of ID at the front desk.

HomeStart's Housing Search and Stabilization services generally use a closed referral process, please call to inquire about requirements. To inquire about receiving assistance from the Homelessness Prevention program, call (617) 542-0338 exe 267 to speak with the Homelessness Prevention Hotline Coordinator.

Languages: English, Spanish

Hope House

See in Category: Substance Use

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

See in Category: Other Groups

HousingWorks

P.O. Box 231104 Boston, MA 02123 www.housingworks.net/

Services: HousingWorks is a resource for Housing Advocates and Landlords to search and apply to all subsidized and affordable housing in New England. We do not work with individuals or families; instead, we work with their case managers and advocates. HousingWorks lists all of the ex-offender housing they can locate.

Requirements & Restrictions: Online resources only; not available by phone or email.

Just-A-Start Corporation

See in Category: Employment

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)

100 Cambridge St., Suite 300 Boston, MA 02114 Phone: 617-573-1100 Toll-Free: 877-418-3308

TTY: 617-573-1140 Fax: 617-573-1120

www.mass.gov/orgs/housing-and-communitydevelopment

Services: The DHCD website contains a number of resources on general Housing and Community Development issues. Visit www.mass.gov/service-details/dhcd-a-to-z-search-index for an extensive list of DHCD programs. See descriptions of Fuel Assistance and Emergency Assistance programs below.

Low Income Home Energy Assistance (LIHEAP)

Known commonly as Fuel Assistance, the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) provides eligible households with help in paying a portion of winter heating bills.

Call your local agency for application and information on available programs. A listing of local agencies is available on the LIHEAP webpage. You can also call statewide the toll-free HEATLINE at 1-800-632-8175 to

get a number for your area. Or call DHCD's Division of Community Services at 617-573-1400.

Eligible Applicants: Homeowners and renters including households whose cost of heat is included in the rent can apply at the agency in their area. Eligibility is based on household size and the gross annual income of every household member, 18 years of age or older. Household income cannot exceed 60% of estimated State Median Income.

How to Apply: First-time applicants must apply in person at the fuel assistance agency in their area. Households must apply each year; applications are mailed to households after the first year. Households can apply from November 1st to April 30th of the program year. Applicants who are denied assistance have the right to appeal through the local fuel assistance agency.

The Division of Housing Stabilization (DHS)

Provides emergency shelter and emergency assistance to those who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless through several different programs

Eligible Applicants: Eligibility requirements vary by program. Visit the DHS website for more information or call DHS at 617-573-1370 or toll free at 877-418-3308 (TTY 617-573-1140).

Service Hours: Office hours vary depending on location. DCHD General Office Hours: M - F 8:45am - 5pm

Other Locations: Fuel Assistance Offices

Boston: Action for Boston Community Development,

Inc. (ABCD)

178 Tremont Street, Boston 02111 (617) 357-6012

Chelsea, Revere, Winthrop:

Community Action Program Intercity, Inc. (CAPIC) 100 Everett Street, Unit 14; Chelsea 02150

(617) 884-6130

Cambridge & Somerville

City of Cambridge, Department of Human Services

51 Inman St. Cambridge, 02139

(617) 349-6200

<u>Quincy: Quincy Community Action</u> 1509 Hancock Street, 3rd Fl. Quincy, 02169 617-479-8181, 1-800-637-2011 – Toll Free

Requirements & Restrictions: Income restrictions

apply.

McGrath House

See in Category: Women

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation

56 Warren St Suite 200 Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: (617) 427-3599

info@nuestracdc.org; www.nuestracdc.org/

Services: Counseling services, classes, and programs. First-time home buyer classes and credit ready classes. Your financial future & Foreclosure prevention programs.

Oxford House for Women

See in Category: Women

Project Place: Housing 1145 Washington Street Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-542-3740 Fax: 617-542-3860

info@projectplace.org; www.projectplace.org/

Who to Contact: Intake Coordinator

Services: Project Place provides essential resources to clients who want to find meaningful work and a place to call home. The organization offers a coordinated plan of services toward clients' goals of employment, shelter, and hope for the future. See Directory Listing for Project Place: Employment, Job Training, & Resource Services for more information on employment services.

Housing:

Betty's Place: Betty's Rapid Rehousing is a program that can accommodate up to 10 women at one time. Residents are provided with Project Place programming and supports while making the transition from the emergency shelter system to independent living. Betty's provides each resident with a room of her own in a safe, clean environment and two meals a day. Residents also receive our wraparound support services to address barriers in finding and obtaining employment and housing. Betty's Rapid Rehousing hopes to transition women to independent living within 3-6 months. Applications are accepted on an ongoing basis. To refer someone or apply, call 617-482-1126.

 Gatehouse: The top floors of the Project Place building hold 14 affordable studio-apartments for single occupants. Each furnished unit contains a kitchenette and private bathroom with all amenities. Residents must have income, lead a sober lifestyle and qualify for disability (substance abuse can be considered a disability). Rental subsidies are available for all units, and residents should expect to pay one third of their income towards rent. Call 617-542-3740.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations: Also see Directory Listing for Project Place: Employment, Job Training, & Resource Services.

Requirements & Restrictions: <u>Transitional Assistance</u> <u>Program:</u> Applicants must be homeless and have six months of sobriety.

For all other programs, there is at least 30 days of sobriety required. Please call to get further details on program requirements.

Individuals must already be living in the community in order to be considered for a place in the programs.

Waiting Time: Transitional Assistance Program: 1

month or more **Languages:** English

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Salvation Army Social Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Solutions at Work

See in Category: Employment

Somerville Homeless Coalition

See in Category: Other Groups

St. Francis House

See in Category: Food

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

United South End Settlements

566 Columbus Avenue Harriet Tubman House Boston, MA 02118

Phone (Admin): 617-536-8610 info@uses.org; www.uses.org/

Services:

- <u>Coaching</u>: Coaching is a supportive partnership that empowers participants with the tools to find solutions and move their families forward.
- <u>Early Childhood Education:</u> USES' Early
 Childhood Education program prepares each child emotionally, academically, and physically to succeed in kindergarten.
- <u>club48</u>: club48 provides high-quality services with curricula that support school success and promote the social, cognitive, and emotional development of the students.
- <u>Camp Hale:</u> Established in 1900, Camp Hale operates on the belief that all youth, particularly those from urban environments, will benefit from challenging opportunities for physical, mental, and social growth and development.
- Job Training: USES' job training program ensures that our neighbors have the education and opportunities they need to move toward economic self-sufficiency.
- Harriet Tubman Gallery: United South End Settlements brings the community together through exhibitions, events, and partnerships, using art as a catalyst for communication and relationship building across different cultural and socio-economic backgrounds.

Service Hours: M - F 8am - 6pm. Call or visit website for class schedule.

Other Locations:

<u>Headquarters</u>: Children's Art Centre/South End House 36 & 48 Rutland Street Boston, MA 02118 617-375-8150

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older; program has a special mission to serve residents of the South End and Lower Roxbury, but will serve adults from other neighborhoods as well.

United Way's 211 Helpline

See in Category: Hotlines

Victory Programs Inc.

965 Massachusetts Ave Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-541-0222

Fax: 617-541-0094

www.vpi.org/

Services: Victory Programs opens doors to recovery, hope and community for individuals and families facing homelessness, addiction or other chronic illnesses like HIV/AIDS. Services include short and long-term residential treatment programs for individuals and families, affordable housing opportunities for eligible individuals, HIV/AIDS case management and housing opportunities. Multiple sites located throughout Boston.

Other Locations: Admin:

Boston Living Center 29 Stanhope Street Boston MA 02116 Phone 617-236-1012 Fax 617-236-0334 TTY 617-267-7059

Wyman Community Reentry Program

See in Category: Other Groups

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AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

American Civil Liberties Union of Massachusetts (ACLU)

211 Congress Street, 3rd Floor Boston, MA 02110 Phone: 617-482-3170 Fax: 617-451-0009

info@aclum.org; www.aclum.org/

Who to Contact: Legal Intake X100

Services: The ACLU of Massachusetts works to preserve and protect the civil liberties and civil rights guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, especially the principles contained in the Bill of Rights.

If you believe your civil liberties have been violated, contact the ACLU by phone, fax, or letter. The ACLU considers complaints involving issues such as freedom of speech and religion; discrimination based on race, gender, sexual orientation or disability; police misconduct; censorship in schools or libraries; fairness in application of school discipline; privacy; access to government documents; and other issues of fair treatment by government.

The ACLU is a law reform, not a legal aid organization. Therefore, we can accept very few cases. We will do our best to provide information or a referral to a more appropriate organization if we cannot help you ourselves.

For prisoner-specific information, visit: www.aclu.org/prisoners-rights

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Service is available by telephone. Requests can also be made by mail or fax, 617-451-0009.

Boston Bar Association & Greater Boston Legal Services CORI Clinic

Boston Municipal Court, 2nd floor, Ed Brooke Courthouse 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114

> Phone: (617) 742-0625 Fax: (617) 523-0127

www.bostonbar.org/in-the-community/publicservice/cori-sealing-project

Services:

- Free CORI reports and criminal record sealing and expungement.
- Free legal assistance by Boston Bar Association volunteer lawyers in collaboration with Greater Boston Legal Services.
- Correction of CORI reports.
- Advice and some representation on some other CORI related issues.
- Referrals for warrants.

Service Hours: Second and fourth Wednesdays of every month from 9 am to noon (except the fourth Wednesday in December)

Other Locations: Greater Boston Legal Services offers other free CORI help available at: Roxbury Court, 85 Warren Street, Boston (2nd floor) on 3rd Thursday of month from 9 am to noon; Dorchester Court, 510 Washington Street, Dorchester (1st floor) on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays pf the month from 9 am to noon.

Requirements & Restrictions: Free CORI report if at or below 150% poverty guidelines. Eligible for services and free representation in court if within or near 150% of federal poverty guidelines.

Waiting Time: Usually none

Languages: Interpreters are available for non-English speakers by phone if not in person at the courthouse

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Cambridge and Somerville Legal Services

60 Gore Street, Suite 203 Cambridge, MA 02141 Phone (CASLS): 617-603-2700 Phone (ERLI): 617-603-1700 Fax (CASLS): 617-494-8222 Fax (ERLI): 617-371-1188

www.gbls.org/our-work/cambridge-somerville-legal-

services

Services: While criminal cases are not accepted, free legal advice and representation is offered in the following general areas:

<u>Housing</u> – Eviction defense, denial of public housing or Section 8; termination of Section 8;

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<u>Benefits</u> – Denial or termination of federal disability benefits; denial or termination of state benefits including EAEDC, SNAP (food stamps), TAFDC, MassHealth, EA shelter;

<u>Elder issues</u> – Housing, nursing home issues, Social Security, SSI, elder abuse;

Access to CSLS is through ERLI (Eastern Region Legal Intake). See ERLI listing. If ERLI determines that a referral should be made to CSLS, the assigned attorney will contact the client.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm. No walk-ins are accepted.

Requirements & Restrictions: Residency in Cambridge, Somerville, Arlington, Belmont, Woburn, or Winchester. Residency in Cambridge and Somerville for elders. Income limitations may apply.

Waiting Time: Varies by complexity of complaint and staff availability

Languages: CASLS has some staff that speak Spanish; language line access and interpreters are available for other languages.

Cambridge Multi-Service Center See in Category: Other Groups

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)

44 Bromfield Street Boston, MA 02108 Main Office: 617-482-6212 Fax: 617-988-8495 ac@publiccounsel.net;

https://www.publiccounsel.net/pc/sorb/ Who to Contact: Assignment Coordinator at the

Alternative Commitment & Registration Unit

Services: Provides assistance on issues relating to the Sex Offender Registry and classification.

The website is designed to provide information for attorneys; however, it also contains information that former sex offenders may find helpful, including overviews of the sex offender registration and notification act, civil commitment, lifetime community parole, and information on sex offender legislation, regulations and registration fees.

De Novo: Center for Justice and Healing (Formerly Community Legal Services & Counseling Center)

47 Thorndike Street, Suite SB-LL-1 Cambridge, MA 02141 Phone: 617-661-1010 Fax: 617-661-1011 www.denovo.org/

Who to Contact: Intake staff

Services: De Novo: Center for Justice and Healing provides free civil legal assistance to low-income clients on:

- Family law (including domestic violence cases involving divorce, separation or visitation, child support for custodial parents)
- Housing and homelessness prevention (limited to Cambridge city residents)
- Disability benefits
- Immigration and refugee rights (including psychological assessments of immigrant trauma victims who seek legal status in the U.S.).

De Novo also offers a Counseling Program to lowincome people who have difficulty gaining access to affordable mental health services. The Center serves individuals and couples who seek help for crises, stress and other problems that affect their ability to function. Counseling focuses on improved coping. Clients work on overcoming the effects of violence, torture, sexual abuse, incest, social isolation, depression, anxiety, or substance abuse.

Approximately 40% of the work at De Novo is done by volunteers. The telephone cannot always be covered by staff. Leave a message and telephone number on the answering machine. Intake staff or staff psychologist will call back.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: There are income restrictions and, in certain instances, some residency restrictions. Please call to see if you qualify.

Languages: English, Spanish, French, Farsi

Department of Mental Health and Forensic ServicesSee in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Disability Law Center See in Category: Disability

Dorchester Community CORI Project

See in Category: CORI

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Eastern Regional Legal Intake (ERLI)

7 Winthrop Square (Mail), 2nd Floor Boston, MA 02110

Helpline (Under age 60): 1-800-342-5297 Helpline (Over age 60): 1-800-342-5297

bsiegel@vlpnet.org; www.vlpnet.org/need-legal-help/

Services: ERLI is a project of the Volunteer Lawyers Project and provides a free legal intake line for low-income individuals seeking legal intake, information, advice and referrals.

ERLI handles intake for Greater Boston Legal Services, the Volunteer Lawyers Project and limited intake for Metro West Legal Services and Community Legal Services and Counseling Center.

ERLI's service area includes the service areas of the Volunteer Lawyers Project, Metro West Legal Services, and Greater Boston Legal Services. Please note that the service areas for non-elder clients (under the age of 60) and elder clients (60 years of age and older) may be different (as shown below).

Callers must provide essential information about themselves such as contact information (name, date of birth, address), household size and income, amount of financial assets and immigration status in order to be screened for legal services. Callers who are not eligible for direct representation with an Eastern Region legal services program are provided legal information and/or referrals.

ERLI also screens client for eligibility for the Volunteer Lawyers Project court based clinics and ERLI's advice panels. Information about the court based clinics and advice panels can be found at www.vlpnet.org.

Service Hours: M - F: 8:30am-4:30pm

Requirements & Restrictions: To qualify for VLP services, clients must:

- Live in our service area.
- Have incomes under 125% or 200% of the federal poverty guidelines or are age 60 and older.
- Have civil legal issues that meet VLP's priorities.
- Be a US Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident (green card holder) or have another status acceptable under the LSC rules.

VLP refers people they can't assist to organizations that may be able to help.

<u>VLP Service Area</u>: Acton, Arlington, Ashland, Bedford, Bellingham, Belmont, Boston, Braintree, Brookline,

Cambridge, Canton, Carlisle, Chelsea, Cohasset,
Concord, Dedham. Dover, Everett, Foxborough,
Framingham, Franklin, Hingham, Holbrook, Holliston,
Hopkinton, Hudson, Hull, Lexington, Lincoln, Malden,
Marlborough, Maynard, Medfield, Medford, Medway,
Melrose, Millis, Milton, Natick, Needham, Newton,
Norfolk, Norwell, Norwood, Plainville, Quincy,
Randolph, Revere, Scituate, Sharon, Sherborn,
Somerville, Stoneham, Stow, Sudbury, Wakefield,
Walpole, Waltham, Watertown, Wayland, Wellesley,
Weston, Westwood, Weymouth, Winchester, Winthrop,
Woburn, Wrentham.

Languages: English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Mandarin, Portuguese

GLBTQ Legal Advocates and Defenders (GLAD)

See in Category: LGBTQ+

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

197 Friend Street Boston, MA 02114 Phone: 617-371-1234 TDD: 617-371-1228 Toll-free: 800-323-3205

Fax: 617-371-1222 www.gbls.org/

Who to Contact: Front Desk Receptionist/Intake Worker

Services: The front desk receptionists transfer calls to LARC for intake screening or to a GBLS advocate to see if GBLS can assist. Intake hours by phone for problems that are not emergencies are Monday to Friday from 9am – 12pm; emergencies are directed to an advocate all day. If there is a very high volume of calls, you may be on hold for a period of time, but someone will eventually answer the call.

GBLS does not handle criminal cases. It provides free legal representation and legal advice to low-income individuals and families in civil cases. GBLS also engages in systemic litigation, class actions, and legislative advocacy on behalf of its clients.

Major areas related to CORI and low income people trying to transition to the workforce include:

CORI & Re-entry Project: GBLS is a statewide leader on legal issues related to CORI and the only legal services program focused on legal representation of clients in court on CORI issues and legal advice on criminal record sealing, expungement, appeals of denials of CORI sealing petitions, juvenile record sealing problems, professional licensing problems, CORI barriers and

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discrimination related to jobs and other opportunities, including EEOC or other CORI law violations; and CORI systemic initiatives related to implementation of CORI laws or new legislation. The Project provides community legal education focused primarily on Dorchester and Roxbury.

In addition to help with CORI, GBLS has units that help low income people with other kinds of legal issues.

<u>Employment Unit:</u> GBLS represents clients in unemployment insurance claims (including extended unemployment benefits to participate in vocational training) and wage and hour violations against employers that exceed \$1,000.

<u>Health & Disability Issues:</u> GBLS helps with termination of benefits related to a criminal warrant; access to government disability benefits.

Housing Unit: GBLS provides eviction help for tenants, home foreclosure prevention, preservation of affordable housing, access to and preservation of shelter for the homeless, and representation of people with children living in a shelter who are denied priority status or who are denied eligibility because of CORI or tenant suitability; housing transfers related to domestic abuse (VAWA).

Other areas of legal practice:

Asian Outreach Unit: Special outreach to Chinese and Vietnamese speaking clients and legal assistance to Asian immigrants in the areas of employment and family law; representation of client groups in community empowerment initiatives.

<u>Children's Disability Project:</u> Provides representation to children with disabilities wrongfully denied Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.

<u>Consumer Rights Unit:</u> Unfair and deceptive consumer practices, particularly related to home foreclosures and bankruptcies.

<u>Elder Law issues:</u> Includes housing, elder abuse, nursing home issues; Social Security; MassHealth and access to healthcare; Veterans benefits, Food Stamps, SSI, federal and state disability benefits.

<u>Family law/domestic violence:</u> Provides representation in divorce, restraining order and family law court matters for victims of domestic violence and sexual assault to address safety issues and family and economic stability.

<u>Immigration Unit:</u> Researches asylum claims for people fleeing political, gender-based, and/or LGBT

persecution, obtaining legal immigrant status for battered women and minor children.

<u>Welfare Unit:</u> Includes obtaining and retaining TAFDC and EAEDC cash benefits, SNAP/Food Stamp benefits, childcare and education/training benefits, and issues related to any of these benefits.

GBLS also represents community groups and provides community legal education and legislative advocacy for clients.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

People who have not yet done intake are asked to call between 9 am and 12 pm if it is not an emergency.

Other Locations:

Cambridge/Somerville Office

60 Gore St., Suite 203, Cambridge, MA 02141, 617-603-

2700; TDD: 617-494-1757

Roxbury Courthouse

85 Warren St. Roxbury, MA

On the 3rd Thursday of the month from 9:00am – 12:00pm

Dorchester Courthouse

410 Washington St. Dorchester, MA
On the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month from
9:00am – 12:00pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Agency serves residents of Boston and 32 surrounding cities and towns, mostly within Route 128. Complete listing of geographic areas served is on web site. Income limitations (usually restricted to persons with incomes less than 125% of federal poverty guidelines) are applicable, with the exception of elderly clients and Medicare beneficiaries who are not subject to the income guidelines.

Waiting Time: Varies depending on volume.

Languages: Interpreters are available for non-English speakers.

Health Law Advocates

One Federal Street 5th Floor Boston, MA 02110 Phone: 617-338-5241 Toll-free: 888-211-6168

www.healthlawadvocates.org/

Who to Contact: Paralegal/Intake Coordinator

Services: Health Law Advocate (HLA) is a non-profit law firm that provides free advice and representation to low-income Massachusetts residents experiencing

difficulty accessing or paying for needed medical services. HLA is committed to ensuring universal access to quality health care in Massachusetts, particularly for those who are most at risk due to such factors as race, gender, disability, age, or geographic location.

Intakes by phone, mail, or email (via form on website) only. Call will be referred to attorney who will call back within five business days if issue is appropriate.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm; no walk-ins

Requirements & Restrictions: Residents of

Massachusetts only. Must be at or below 300% of the federal poverty line (about \$36,420 a year for an individual, or \$75,000 for a family of four).

No walk-ins.

Languages: English, Spanish

Lawyers Clearinghouse

Phone: (617) 544-3434 ext. 109 mojo@lawyersclearinghouse.org; www.lawyersclearinghouse.org/for-shelterguests/massachusetts-legal-clinic-for-the-homeless/

Who to Contact: Legal Clinic Manager, Mosunmola Ojo

Services: Operates free legal clinics throughout the year at the eight shelter and social services locations.

Volunteer lawyers take pro bono cases for homeless and low-income individuals.

Other Locations: Clinics are operated at the following locations:

Boston Healthcare for the Homeless Program (BHCHP)

Address: 780 Albany St. Boston, Ma. 02118 Location contact: Nicole (857) 654-1081

Bridge Over Troubled Waters

Address: 47 West St. Boston, MA. 02111

Location contact: Lindsay (617) 423-9575 ex. 207

Cardinal Medeiros Center

Address: 1960 Washington St. Boston, MA. 02118

Location contact: Muriel (617) 619-6962

Metro Housing Boston

Address: 1411 Tremont St. Boston, MA. 02120 Location contact: Maura (617) 425-6650

Pine Street Inn

Address: 444 Harrison Ave. Boston, MA. 02118 Location contact: Men's contact: Ken (617) 892-9230 Location contact: Women's contact: Julie (617) 892-

9318

(617) 892-9100

Southampton Shelter

Address: 112 Southampton St. Boston, MA. 02118

Location contact: Pedro (617) 534-6136

St. Francis House

Address: 39 Boylston St. Boston, MA. 02116

Location contact: (617) 457-1034

Women's Lunch Place

Address: 67 Newbury St. Boston, MA. 02116

Location contact: (617) 267-8104

Woods Mullen Shelter

Address: 794 Massachusetts Ave. Boston, MA. 02118

Location contact: (617) 534-7157

Requirements & Restrictions: Clients must be homeless, using shelter services, or otherwise income

eligible for free legal services.

Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School

122 Boylston Street
Jamaica Plain, MA 02135

Phone: (617) 522-3003

safetynetproject@law.harvard.edu; www.legalservicescenter.org/get-legal-help/safety-net-

project/lsc-cori-sealing-initiative/

Services: The Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School has created a CORI Sealing Initiative to serve those who face severe obstacles in finding housing and employment due to their criminal record. The Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School hold CORI workshops at the center, which is next to the Stony Brook T stop, every month, but we also are available during regular business hours every weekday.

Workshops: Every third Tuesday of the month from 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM, we hold a CORI sealing workshop during which volunteers, advocates, and lawyers consult anyone who comes in to access their record and to help potential clients understand and navigate the sealing process. Sign up at this link: http://bit.ly/lsc-cori-sealing

Service Hours: Mon.-Fri. 9-5. CORI workshops run 4-6

every third Tuesday of the month.

Languages: English, Spanish

Massachusetts Bar Association Lawyer Referral Service

20 West Street Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-654-0400 Toll Free: 1-866-627-7577 Fax: 617-338-0503

Irs@massbar.org; www.masslawhelp.com/

Services: Callers are given a referral to a member of the Massachusetts Bar Association (MBA), if appropriate, or are referred to an MBA public service program, a state or local agency, or a legal services agency for possible free representation. All calls are screened for income. Referrals to MBA attorneys are based on legal need (on both criminal and civil issues), geographic convenience, and the caller's financial situation.

MBA/LRS Automatic Referrals now available at www.MassLawHelp.com. Individuals looking for a lawyer will be able to get the name of a qualified MBA attorney instantly — 24 hours a day, seven days a week after filling out a brief online form. The website's improved capability will benefit legal consumers and LRS panel members by making connections even more accessible. Users will be sent an email listing the name, address, telephone number and email address of the attorney. The attorney will also receive an email containing the user's contact information, including telephone number and email address.

Anyone needing a reduced fee referral will be asked to contact the LRS via telephone to determine their eligibility. The LRS will also continue to provide referrals by phone during normal business hours at (617) 654-0400 or toll-free (866) MASS-LRS/(866) 627-7577.

Dial-a-Lawyer: On the first Wednesday of every month, between 5:30pm - 7:30pm, MBA attorneys will answer legal questions (on any area of the law both criminal and civil) on the telephone; there is no fee. The telephone number for this service is 617-338-0610, 877-686-0711 (toll-free).

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 4:45pm. No walk-ins please. Languages: Translator services available for many

languages

Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination

1 Ashburton Place, Suite 601 Boston, MA 02108 Information Line: 617-994-6171

assistanttochair@mass.gov; www.mass.gov/mcad

Services: The MCAD investigates and prosecutes Complaints of Discrimination that occur in Employment, Housing, Public Places, Access to Education, Lending, and Credit. We also offer training to help prevent discrimination from occurring.

An individual who lives or works in Massachusetts and feels they have been discriminated against can come to one of the MCAD offices and file a complaint. It will

then be investigated by staff on their behalf. MCAD enforces the state's anti-discrimination laws in these areas: employment, housing, credit, public accommodations, and access to education.

Individuals applying for a job should be aware of what employers may ask a prospective employee prior to hiring. Massachusetts law guarantees that no person shall be denied the right to work because of his or her race, color, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, genetics, active military personnel, gender identity, age (over 40), criminal record (on job application), or mental or physical handicap/disability.

Individuals applying for admission to schools, universities, and other educational institutions in Massachusetts are protected from discrimination based on race, color, religious creed, national origin, sex, criminal record (on application for admission), blindness, deafness and retaliation.

You can file a complaint in person. No appointment is necessary. In-person appointments are required for most non-housing complaints. You can also file a complaint by attorney via mail.

There is no fee to file a complaint. You may decide to seek an attorney to represent you in the process. If so, the attorney will discuss with you what his or her fee will be. However, the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination never collects a fee from someone who files a complaint.

Service Hours: M - F 8:45am - 5pm

Other Locations:

MCAD Springfield Office 436 Dwight Street, Room 220 Springfield, MA 01103

MCAD Worcester Office 484 Main Street, Room 320 Worcester, MA 01608

MCAD New Bedford Office 128 Union Street, Suite 206 New Bedford, MA 02740

Requirements & Restrictions: In all but a few exceptions, the MCAD cannot accept complaints based on incidents over 300 days old. You should review the MCAD Questionnaires

You should bring with you any relevant names, addresses, or telephone numbers, witnesses' names, and any other paperwork that will help investigate and establish your allegation of unlawful discrimination. You

should also be able to give the date the alleged discrimination occurred.

For an employment case: You should have your employer's name, address, the approximate number of employees, and the name of the parent company, if applicable.

For a housing case: Supply the landlord's or property manager's name, the real estate company's name, or the real estate agent's name, if appropriate.

For public accommodations: Bring the name of the owner or manager of the establishment.

Languages: English, Portuguese, Creole, Chinese

Massachusetts Law Reform Institute (MLRI)

40 Court Street, Suite 800 Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-357-0700 Fax: 617-357-0777

info@mlri.org; www.mlri.org/

Services: MLRI works with many organizations at the local, state, and national level on numerous areas of law affecting those with low-incomes. MLRI also coordinates two statewide websites that provide legal information for low-income people and for legal services advocates on a wide variety of civil legal matters.

As a general matter, MLRI does not provide legal representation to individual clients.

Languages: English, Spanish

MassLegalHelp

www.masslegalhelp.org/

Services: The MassLegalHelp website is a comprehensive, up-to-date site which has specific, easy-to-understand information on how the Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI) laws relate to finding housing and employment, who has the right to see your CORI, how to seal your record, and how to correct mistakes on your CORI. It has a "Crime Glossary," which lists definitions of terms, plus a link to the Criminal History System Board's list of CORI Codes, which define the terms.

Individuals with CORI's can get information and referrals about CORI issues by calling the Legal Advocacy and Resource Center (LARC) hotline at: 617-603-1700.

Individuals with questions regarding their CORI's or any other legal information question can talk, via instant

message, with a law librarian with the "Ask A Librarian" program that runs M – F: 9am – 4pm.

Languages: English, Spanish, Vietnamese, Russian, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, Traditional Chinese

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

National Lawyers Guild: Lawyer Referral Service (Mass. Chapter)

41 West Street, Suite 700 Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-227-7335 Fax: 617-227-5495

nlgmass@igc.org; www.nlgmass.org/lawyer-referral-

directory/

Who to Contact: Lawyer Referral Service Coordinator

Services: The National Lawyers Guild Massachusetts Chapter maintains a Lawyer Referral Service geared towards low- or middle-income clients. A staff member will provide the caller with the contact information for an attorney with experience in the area of law where the client's legal problem exists. If calling outside of regular Service Hours, leave a message with your name and telephone number, and a staff member will return your call. Alternatively, requests may be submitted via a form on the NLG-Massachusetts website.

Service is by telephone and e-mail. Walk-ins are not accepted.

Requirements & Restrictions: None

Languages: English only for the referral line. NLG attorneys speak other languages. Please specify what language is your primary language to the Referral Service Coordinator.

ProCon.org: Voting RightsSee in Category: Administrative Issues

Public Counsel Services, Roxbury Defenders Unit

7 Palmer St., Suite 302 Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-445-7581 Fax: 617-445-7587

www.publiccounsel.net/

Services: Staff will try to answer questions on criminal legal matters. Cases handled will only be Superior Court felonies. Normally, cases are assigned to the Defenders at the discretion of the Roxbury District Court.

The Roxbury Defenders can help remove warrants and works in conjunction with the Youth Advocacy Division which has staff attorneys who specialize in juvenile cases and with the CPCS Roxbury District office which handles District Court matters.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Client must not already

have an attorney

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

Transformative Law

See in Category: LGBTQ+

Veterans Legal Services

See in Category: Veterans

Volunteer Lawyers Project

7 Winthrop Square (Mailing address)

2nd Floor

Boston, MA 02110

Phone: 617-423-0648

Fax: 617-423-0061

info@vlpnet.org; www.vlpnet.org/

Services: Free legal assistance to low-income residents of Greater Boston. Only civil cases in following areas: landlord/tenant, family law, guardianship, probate (wills and estates), bankruptcy, unemployment insurance, consumer debt, employment wage and hour violations, home ownership, and foreclosure prevention.

The Legal Resource Finder (LRF) will help you find out if VLP or some other legal aid program might be able to help you with your legal problem. It will also give you links to information that will help you to learn more about your legal issue. The LRF only includes information about civil – not criminal – issues.

If you do not want to use the Legal Resource Finder, you can contact the Legal Advocacy Resource Center (LARC) Legal Advocacy and Resource Center (LARC) hotline at 617-603-1700 or 1-800-342-5297 for intake.

Whatever you tell LARC is private and confidential. A LARC staff person will ask you some questions to find

out if you qualify for legal services from VLP or another office. LARC may be able to give you information or advice about your legal problem.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- VLP does not handle criminal cases or represent incarcerated individuals on any matter whether related to their incarceration or not. If you do not have a kind of case that VLP handles, LARC can give you information or advice, and may be able to refer you to an agency that handles that kind of case.
- DCF cases are not accepted.
- Must live in greater Boston, must be a U.S. citizen or have green card, and must meet federal poverty guidelines. If residency is outside city of Boston, call to find out if address is in Volunteer Lawyers Project's service area.

Waiting Time: Depends on the issue. No emergencies can be taken.

Languages: Interpreters available for many languages.

WilmerHale Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School

122 Boylston Street Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-522-3003

Fax: 617-522-0715

www.legalservicescenter.org/

Who to Contact: Intake Staff

Services: Legal assistance is provided in the following

civil law areas:

<u>Disability Benefits:</u> Social Security Disability representation for disabled clients

<u>Estate Planning:</u> Estate planning and probate, guardianship, debt counseling and private insurance cases for low- and middle-income individuals. This service is only provided for veterans.

<u>Family Law:</u> Divorce, Domestic Violence, Paternity, Child & Spousal Support, Adoption, Guardianship, Guardian *ad Litem court* appointments and English/Spanish Pro Se Divorce Clinics

<u>Federal Tax Unit:</u> The Federal Tax Unit provides free legal representation to clients in tax controversies with the IRS. The Unit works on a wide variety of matters, including family tax issues (e.g., earned income tax credit, child tax credit, and dependency exemptions), tax debt/collection cases (offers in compromise and

installment payment agreements), injured and innocent spouse claims, and audit reconsiderations. Our work on behalf of taxpayers involves, among other things, requesting audit reconsideration, representing clients at IRS Appeals conferences, drafting and submitting advocacy letters to IRS Appeals, preparing and submitting innocent and injured spouse claims and offers in compromise, and representing clients before the U.S. Tax Court.

Housing Law: Eviction Defense due to foreclosure Veteran's Issues: Veterans Benefits (service-connected disability, pension, and other programs from the VA),

Veterans' Services benefits (from Massachusetts cities and towns), other public benefit programs, discharge upgrades and designated civil matters

Services are limited due to staff availability.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm; Intake hours vary - please call.

Requirements & Restrictions: Suffolk County residents only. No criminal issues are handled.

Languages: Spanish-speaking interpreter and staff available.

Wyman Community Reentry Program
See in Category: Other Groups

LGBTQ+

AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Health Care for the Homeless; Jean Yawkey Place

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

GLBTQ Legal Advocates and Defenders (GLAD)

18 Tremont Street, Suite 950 Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-426-1350

Phone (GLAD Answers): 800-455-GLAD (4523)

Fax: 617-426-3594

gladlaw@glad.org; www.glad.org/ Who to Contact: Public Information Manager

Services: GLAD maintains GLAD Answers which provides legal information, referrals on issues related to sexual orientation, HIV status, and gender identity and expression. These issues include employment and housing discrimination, harassment, HIV testing rights and privacy, access to health care, family law, insurance, immigration, youth and student rights, and many others. You can call, email, or chat online to get more information.

GLAD may also make referrals to attorneys who are knowledgeable about and sympathetic to issues facing LGBT individuals and those living with HIV.

Service Hours: M - F: 1:30pm - 4:30pm for GLAD

Answers (Call and chat)

Requirements & Restrictions: Target population: gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, and people with HIV.

Languages: GLAD Answers is in English. Additional languages available through interpreter service.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

International Foundation for Gender Education (IFGE)

14 Felton Street Waltham, MA 02453 Phone: 781-899-2212 Fax: 781-899-5703

info@ifge.org; www.ifge.org/

Services: Provides information and referrals to local support groups and medical and psychological professionals for all groups of people, including Transgendered, Transsexual, Crossdresser, Agender,

Gender Queer, Intersex, Two Spirit, Drag King, Drag Queen, Queer, Straight, Butch, Femme, Homosexual, Bisexual, and Heterosexual.

IFGE also operates the Synchronicity Bookstore (open to the public), Transgender Tapestry Magazine, and advocacy for the groups listed above.

During office hours, IFGE provides information and referrals, and accepts donations and orders for publications and subscriptions.

Service Hours: M – F: 10am – 6pm, contact by

telephone only

Languages: English, limited Spanish

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

The Network - La Red

P.O. Box 6011 Boston, MA 02114 Main Office: 617-695-0877

Hotline (Voice): 617-742-4911 Hotline (Toll-free): 800-832-1901 Hotline (TTY): 617-227-4911 info@tnlr.org; www.tnlr.org/en/

Services: The Network provides a variety of services for members of the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community experiencing partner abuse. The organization also provides assistance and referrals to LGBT community members. The web site is in English and Spanish, is kept up-to-date, and has information helpful to the LGBT community.

Hotline: 617-742-4911 (617-227-4911 for TTY) provides confidential emotional support, information, and safety planning for lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer and/or transgender (LGBQ/T) folks, as well as those in SM/kink and polyamorous communities who are being abused or have been abused by a partner. We also offer information and support to friends, family, or coworkers on the issue of domestic violence in LGBQ/T communities. All hotline staff are trained in domestic violence, peer counseling, crisis intervention, and safety planning.

<u>Safe Home Emergency Shelter:</u> provides emergency safehome for survivors of partner abuse for up to 4 weeks stay. Having a place to go is the missing piece for many abused lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer and/or

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transgender (LGBQ/T) people who are trying to take their children and/or pets and leave their abusive partners. Our safehomes are located across the greater Boston area and offer a safe place to get started on the next course of action

You can call The Network/La Red Hotline at 617-742-4911(voice) or 617-227-4911(TTY). First we will ask about your immediate safety and have a conversation about why you are seeking services. If we are the appropriate resource and our safehome is available, we will begin the intake process. If you need a shelter and we are not available, you can call SafeLink, 1-877-785-2020 (voice) or 1-877-521-2601 (TTY), the Massachusetts 24-hour domestic violence hotline, for referrals to shelters with space.

Support Group: A confidential facilitated group for lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer and/or transgender survivors of partner abuse to share and listen to each other's experiences, give and get peer support, feedback and information, and help with safety planning. You can receive support over the phone or in person. Call the Hotline to set up an interview with an advocate for the support group.

Service Hours: Hotline is 24/7

Requirements & Restrictions: Target population is battered members of LBT (lesbian, bisexual, and transgender) communities. Will also assist and provide referrals for gay and bisexual men.

Languages: Spanish, English

Tiffany Club of New England

P.O. Box 540071 Waltham, MA 02454-0071 Phone: 781-891-9325 Fax: 781-899-3562 info@tcne.org

Services: Tiffany Club of New England (TCNE) is a social and support organization for the transgender community. TCNE provides the following:

 A confidential, respectful and safe physical location so that members can be who they are as they best feel comfortable doing. Members and visitors can express their true gender in the way most comfortable for them. You don't have to attend crossdressed. You can come to TCNE and change in the changing and makeup areas.

- A social support network to provide transgender men and women with peer based social support.
- A place for spouses and partners to express their feelings and gain support from people in similar circumstances
- Opportunities for education regarding transgenderism, gender dysphoria, transsexuality, transvestism, and crossdressing.
- Social activities for fun
- Opportunities for members to help and serve others in the transgender community by helping to organize and present various educational and social activities
- Referral services to therapists and other professionals trained in gender dysphoria issues, crossdressing, transgender, transsexual and related issues
- Connection to other social and support organizations helping to support transgender persons in New England and throughout the United States

Service Hours: Call on Tuesdays, from 7pm – 9pm or on Saturdays, from 7pm – 11pm to get a live voice

Requirements & Restrictions: Target population: transgender community.

Transformative Law

14 Beacon St, #718 Boston, MA 02108 Phone: 617-720-4200 www.transformativelaw.org/

Services: We are three trans and gender non-conforming lawyers in Massachusetts and Maine, providing holistic representation to our clients with a focus on issues facing the trans community. We ensure everyone has access to high quality, affordable legal representation with a focus on transgender legal issues. Issues:

- Name changes
- Health insurance appeals
- Employment discrimination
- Family law

Visit website to get in touch.

Whittier Street Health Center

1290 Tremont Street Roxbury, MA 02120 Phone: 617-427-1000

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Fax: 617-989-3247 contact@wshc.org; www.wshc.org/

Services: Provides clinical services to all patients, regardless of ability to pay. Clinical services include: Adult/Family Medicine, Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse, Men's Health, OB/GYN, Optometry and Eye Care, Pediatrics/Adolescent Health, Podiatry (foot) Clinic, LGBTQ Clinic, Women's Health and more. There is also urgent care available during regular hours.

The center also provides programs that deal with issues related to poverty, violence, socioeconomic inequalities, domestic violence prevention, HIV/AIDS services, post prison release/re-entry and public housing outreach.

Whittier Street Health Center accepts walk-ins. When the Center is closed, a 24/7 live answering service will attend to all calls and direct to a provider on call.

Service Hours: M-F: 8:30am – 8pm; Sat: 9am – 5pm

Other Locations: Whittier Street Health Center – Satellite Clinic
278 Blue Hill Avenue
Roxbury, MA
617-858-2550

M-F: 8:30am - 5pm

Languages: English, Spanish, Swahili, Arabic, Bosnian, Krio, Portuguese, Yoruba, Russian, Farsi, Somali, Urdu,

Haitian Creole

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Older Adults

Age Strong Commission

1 City Hall Sq, Room 271 Boston, MA 02201 Phone: (617) 635-4366 agestrong@boston.gov;

www.boston.gov/departments/age-strong-commission

Services: Providing programming, resources, and connections to Boston residents who are 55+.

Service Hours: M-F 9 am - 5 pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 55 or older.

Bay Cove Human Services

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston ElderINFO

89 South St Boston, MA 02111 Phone: (617) 292-6211

bei@bshcinfo.org; www.elderinfo.org/

Services: Offers information and referral programs on the following:

- Healthy aging classes
- Boston money management program
- Options counseling
- Resources for home care services

Service Hours: M-F 9 am - 5 pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be an older adult.

Boston Senior Home Care

89 South St. Suite 501 Boston, MA 02111 Phone: (617) 451-6400

Fax: (617) 451-6631 TTY: (617) 451-6404 bostonseniorhomecare.info/

Services: Programs and services to help them live independently in their own home and communities.

Programs include: home care, senior care options, supportive housing, options counseling, home power.

Service Hours: M-F 9 am- 5 pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be an elder or an individual with disabilities above the age of 16 years of age.

Ecumenical Social Action Committee (ESAC)

434 Jamaicaway Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: (617) 524-2555 Fax: 617-524-2430

www.esacboston.org/who-we-are

Services: Innovative programs in home ownership,

education, and community service.

Requirements & Restrictions: Child or Older Adult

Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOE)

1 Ashburton Pl. 5th floor Boston, MA 02108 Phone: (617) 727-7750

Toll Free Elder Abuse Hotline (24/7): (800) 922-2275

Fax: (617) 727-9368

www.mass.gov/orgs/executive-office-of-elder-affairs

Services: Access to quality aging and disability services through partnerships with non-profit elder service agencies throughout Massachusetts.

Service Hours: Varies by program.

Requirements & Restrictions: Older adults and individuals with disabilities.

John F. Kennedy Family Services Center

See in Category: Families

Senior Centers & Council on Aging (COA)

806 Massachusetts Ave Cambridge Senior Center Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: (617) 349-6220

www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/programsforadults/senio rscouncilonaging

Services: The COA provides information and referrals for seniors. Two senior centers that provide a variety of services and classes including:

- Senior good pantry
- Counseling and support groups
- Vision and blood pressure screening
- Breakfast and lunch service
- Men's group,
- Computer classes
- Educational and recreational offerings

Service Hours:

M 8:30 am - 8 pm T-T 8:30 am - 5 pm F 8:30 am - 12 pm

Other Locations:

North Cambridge Senior Center 2050 Massachusetts Ave. Cambridge, MA. 02140

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South Boston Neighborhood House & Senior Center

136 H St

South Boston, MA 02127 Phone: (617) 268-1619 ext. 301

csullivan@sbnh.org; www.sbnh.org/senior-services

Who to Contact: Carole Sullivan

Services: Reducing isolation by offering activities and services that maintain dignity, health, independence, and self-confidence for seniors. Enhancing physical, intellectual, and creative well-being through exercise, interaction, technology, and art classes.

<u>Programming includes</u>: yoga, weight lifting, exercise, dance, bowling and health seminars, bingo, games and movies, shopping, special events, holiday parties and trips.

Service Hours: M-F 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

Veronica B. Smith Senior Center

20 Chestnut Hill Ave
Boston, MA 02134
Phone: (617) 635-6120
agestrongcomission@boston.gov;
www.boston.gov/departments/elderlycommission/veronica-b-smith-senior-center

Services: The Veronica B. Smith Senior Center offers the following services and programs:

<u>Health and Nutrition Services:</u> Free preventative health care screenings such as vision, hearing, and podiatry are available along with free flu shots. Fitness programs such as weekly exercise, wellness, and line dancing classes, educational workshops, and seminars pertaining to health and nutrition are also offered.

<u>Direct Services and Programming:</u> A wide range of social services can be obtained at the Center, including special seminars and workshops on legal issues and government health benefits. Comprehensive programs targeted for seniors in the greatest economic and social needs are also in place, as well as on-site English as a Second Language classes and translation services. Medical escort services for non-English speaking seniors can also be accessed at the Senior Center.

<u>Public Information:</u> Senior Spotlight is a monthly newsletter published and distributed by the Veronica Smith Senior Center with a circulation base of over 600 community seniors and dozens of community locations such as nursing homes and elderly housing. Topics

include issues such as health benefits, upcoming programs and services available at the Center.

Service Hours: Everyday 8:30 am - 4 pm

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Other Groups

ABCD (Action for Boston Community Development)

See in Category: Education

Back On My Feet Boston

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bay State Community Services

1120 Hancock Street Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617-471-8400 TTY: 617-749-4534

Fax: 617-376-0619 www.baystatecs.org/

Who to Contact: Front Desk

Services: Bay State Community Services is a comprehensive social services agency that provides outpatient services, day programming, recovery center (peer support), recovery coaching, and child and family home based services. BSCS host the Norfolk County Family Resource Center.

Service Hours: M - Th: 8am - 7pm; F: 8am - 5pm; Sat: 9am-12pm; Open Access for walk-ins: M-F 9:30am - 11:30 am

Other Locations:

Braintree - Family-based services

74 Pond Street 781-843-7010

Norwood – DAE Programs only

19 Central Street 781-762-0060

Walpole - Center for Community Counseling &

Education

32 Common Street

508-668-3223

Plymouth

36 Cordage Park Circle, Suites 305 & 305A 508-830-3444

Community Correctional Program: Cambridge

Middlesex Community Counseling Centers

MCSO Cambridge, 40 Thorndike Street, Cambridge 617-494-4125

Community Correctional Program: MCSO Lowell

291 Summer Street 978-458-4973

A New Way Recovery Center

85 Quincy Avenue 617-302-3287

Boston Project Rebound Reentry Services

7 Balfour Street #3
Dorchester, MA 02125
Main Office: 857-217-5935
bostonprojectrebound@gmail.com;
bostonprojectrebound.org/

Services: Services include:

- Aftercare Support Program
- Peer Navigation Program
- Senior Peer Navigation Program
- Employment Training
- Veterans Services
- Recovery Coaching

Service hours:

M 9am-4pm

T 9am-5pm

W 9am-12pm

Th 9am-5pm

F 9am-5pm

Sat. & Sun. CLOSED

Closed on all federal holidays

Boston Rescue Mission

39 Kingston Street Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-338-9000 Fax: 617-482-6623

info@brm.org; www.brm.org/

Services: Boston Rescue Mission offers a variety of programs and resources that prevent and end homelessness and support the recovery, health, faith, and independence of those who have a history of substance abuse, incarceration, and homelessness. Programs offered include:

Meal Programs:

- Food Pantry Every other Wednesday.
 Located at 39 Kingston Street.
- Residential Meals meals served to residents in the Safe & Healthy program (2 meals per day) and the Residential Recovery Program (3 meals per day).

- Community Meals Weekday 3pm meals open to the public. Sundays 5pm at 39 Kingston Street.
- <u>Saturday Morning Outreach</u>: Saturday morning meal served on the Boston Common. No matter what the weather is like outside, the team brings food, coffee, water, and fellowship to the hungry.
- <u>Safe & Healthy Program:</u> An emergency shelter providing hot meals, showers, and refuge from the street 365 nights per year.
- Emergency Overflow Shelter (Winter months only): During the chilly winter months, our emergency shelter hosts people who don't have a place to sleep. Participants arrive in the evening, are screened for safety, and receive meals, shower facilities, and safe beds out of the cold. Guests leave in the morning, but may return the next evening if needed. This program generally runs from December into April.
- <u>Vocational Development:</u> Job retention and life skills training.
- Spiritual Development: All residents have the opportunity to meet with the spiritual development team at the Mission to pursue spiritual growth and development.
- <u>Safe Havens Veterans Program:</u> A 10-room short-term transitional housing program for veterans with current substance abuse and mental health issues located in Dorchester, MA. The Safe Haven program targets chronically homeless veterans who have had difficulty with traditional housing programs.
- <u>Residential Recovery Program</u>: Residential substance abuse treatment program that includes mental health services, employment assistance, and housing assistance.
- Outpatient Substance Abuse Counseling & Day <u>Treatment</u>: Outpatient substance abuse program.
- <u>Sober Living:</u> A safe, therapeutic and accountable transitional housing community offering the benefits of an active substance abuse recovery program

Service Hours: Open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year offering residential, shelter and meal programs. Shelter check-in time: 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Length of stay is night to night; Storage space: only for those enrolled in programs.

Bridge Over Troubled Waters

47 West Street Boston, MA 02111 Main: 617-423-9575 TTY: 617-423-9575 *355

National Runaway Hotline: 1-800-786-2929 www.bridgeotw.org/

Services: Bridge offers a comprehensive range of services to youth ages 14 to 24 in a positive and safe environment.

Street Outreach and Mobile Medical Van: Street Outreach is Bridge's daily "foot patrol" of trained outreach workers who make regular consistent contact with homeless youth on the street throughout a range of neighborhoods in Boston and Cambridge. The Mobile Medical Van (MMV) connects with the street outreach team each weeknight. See specific hours below. The Van provides medical attention, survival kits, clothes, food and referrals.

Runaway Program: Bridge is the local respondent for the national runaway hotline offering 24-hour access to a counselor and a safe overnight accommodation away from the streets for homeless youth ages 14-17 for up to 72 hours.

<u>Traditional Day Program (TDP):</u> Visit the second floor of the Bridge building for a free breakfast or lunch. You can shower, use the lockers, do your laundry, attend a workshop, and see a case manager.

<u>Medical and Dental Care:</u> Bridge offers weekly free medical and dental services staffed by healthcare professionals at the 47 West Street Facility.

<u>Counseling and Support Services:</u> Get help for substance abuse, family & peer relationships, survival needs and other crisis intervention services. Bridge counselors will support and listen to you.

Emergency Residence: Short-term transitional residence at the 47 West St. location for homeless youth ages 18 to 24. Youth commit to counseling, employment and continue their education. During the winter months, Bridge opens up the Warming Center, as an adjunct to

the ER, each night to youth who need overnight shelter and survival each day from November through April.

Education and Career Development Program: Classes for youth to attain their HiSet. Takes place M – F from 9am – 12pm and 1pm – 4:00pm. Flexible schedule, rolling admissions, guidance counseling for youth who wish to enter or continue college or vocational program.

<u>Transitional Living Program:</u> Long-term transitional residential program. Residents are required to maintain employment, continue their education, and meet weekly with a counselor.

<u>Single Parent Home:</u> Transitional living program for pregnant and parenting homeless young women and their children. Serves up to 10 families at any given time and may stay for up to 2 years.

Service Hours:

Intake: Mon. - Fri. 9am - 4:30pm

Mobile Medical Van Hours: Mon. - Fri., 5pm-6:30pm @ Boston Common, 7pm - 8:30pm @ Harvard Square

Requirements & Restrictions: Youth only, ages 14 to 24

Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee

11 Inman Street Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone (Reception): 617-868-2900 www.ceoccambridge.org

Services: Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee (CEOC) is an anti-poverty agency fighting to empower people and mobilize resources to fight poverty's causes and impacts. See specific services below:

- College Assistance
- Financial Education
- Food Pantry
- Free Tax Preparation
- Health Insurance Assistance
- Housing Assistance
- Public Benefits Assistance
- SNAP/Food Stamp Assistance

Service Hours: Food Pantry: Mon. & Wed. 4pm - 6pm, Tues. 12pm - 2pm, Thur. 11am - 1pm.

Requirements & Restrictions: Annual income must be \$75,000 or less in order to be eligible for tax services. Bring photo ID and bags.

Some services only available for Cambridge residents. See website or call Reception for more details

Languages: English, Haitian Creole, Spanish

Cambridge Multi-Service Center

362 Green Street Alice K. Wolf Center, 1st Fl. Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-349-6340

TDD: 617-349-6330 Fax: 617-349-6333 dhsp@cambridgema.gov;

www.cambridgema.gov/DHSP/programsforadults/cambridgemultiservicecenter/mscprograms

Services: The Center runs a transitional program for men who are clean and sober and meet a number of other requirements. This program accepts referrals from around the state but may consider walk-ins.

The Center also assists homeless men, women, and families find shelter, and provides additional help for people who are Cambridge residents or in Cambridge shelters, including:

- Housing search assistance workshop on Wednesdays
- Case management for men in transitional housing at YMCA
- Mental health counseling for specific groups by referral only – call to get more information
- Haitian and immigration services (only for Cambridge residents)
- Information and referrals

The Department of Human Services publishes an online Resource Guide of services available to homeless people in Cambridge, visit the website for more information.

Service Hours: M: 8:30am - 8pm; T-Th: 8:30am - 5pm; F: 8:30am - 12pm. New client walk-in hours: M - F 9am - 10:30am and 3:30pm - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Must live in Cambridge or in a Cambridge shelter. Some other restrictions may apply for specific services. Ask when calling for information on services.

Languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole

City Mission: Homelessness Prevention See in Category: Emergency Assistance

Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation
See in Category: Employment

EMERGE (Batterer's Intervention)

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Heading Home

The Schrafft Center 529 Main Street, Suite 100 Charlestown, MA 02129 Phone: 617-864-8140

Fax: 617-864-2541

info@headinghomeinc.org; www.headinghomeinc.org/

Services: Heading Home offers a variety of services available to women and families. These include:

Shelters & Emergency Services:

Dorchester and Roxbury Family Shelters: 8 Transitional shelters with capacity for 47 families.

Cambridge Shelter: Emergency shelter with capacity for 21 individuals.

Transitional Housing:

Medford Family Life Education Center: Transitional shelter with capacity for 8 single-parent families.

Transitional Apartments: 17 supported single-resident apartments for families receiving support services.

Permanent Housing:

Congregate Housing: Supported permanent housing provided for men and women with shared living spaces in Cambridge.

Scattered-Site Apartments: 21 supported permanent housing units for families located throughout Greater Boston.

Permanent Housing Partnership: Permanent housing and intensive services for individuals with disabilities, provided through partnerships with housing development corporations.

If you are a homeless individual looking for housing, please contact Dana Mendes, Individual Services Intake Coordinator at 617.864.8140, ext. 119 or download a copy of our application for permanent housing online.

Service Hours: Varies by program

Requirements & Restrictions: Different programs may have requirements; ask when applying.

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

612 Norfolk St Mattapan, MA 02126 Phone: 617-935-1086 hourhouseboston@gmail.com; www.hourhouseboston.org/ **Services**: Hour House provides life skills training, reentry counseling, family reintegration, job placement support, and mentoring. They also provide support services for family and community members who have been impacted by incarceration, including a women's support group and a monthly community conversation on trauma, therapy and re-entry.

Service Hours: M - F 8:30AM - 4:30PM

Institute for Health and Recovery – Project Promise
See in Category: Women

Margaret Fuller Neighborhood House

71 Cherry Street
Cambridge, MA 02139
Phone: 617-547-4680
Fax: 617-497-0166

info@margaretfullerhouse.org; www.margaretfullerhouse.org/

Services:

<u>Technology Center:</u> Provides daily computer access for internet/email access, with no limit on time for users within the given hours of operation. The Technology Center is open M – F between 9:30am – 5:30pm.

Emergency Food Pantry: Provides low to moderate income individuals a two week supply of food twice a month. The Food Pantry is open Wed: 5pm – 7:30pm, Thurs: 2pm – 5pm. and Fri/Sat: 9am – 12pm. The majority of the food insecure residents come from The Port community, but the Pantry is open to residents of Middlesex County or to those in dire need of food.

Leaders of Today Peace Academy: Designed to provide activities for children ages 4.8 to 12.9 that allow them to develop as leaders in their communities who are continually growing academically, socially, and emotionally. Allows children 13-17 years old to be youth counselors. Open 8am to 6pm during summer vacation (all of July and August) and school vacation weeks (one week in February, April, and December). Open 2pm to 6pm for regular after school programming. Cost is \$195 per week for full days (8am-6pm) and \$105/week for half days (2pm-6pm). Accepts vouchers.

Adult Enrichment: Provides a diverse array of programming for adults who wish to develop skills, find groups, or engage in discussions. If there is a program that is not available, interested adults can submit a proposal to the Adult Enrichment Coordinator to assist with its possible development.

<u>Community Advancement:</u> Aimed at young adults ages 16 to 35, this programming assists Cambridge residents with job searches and career preparation, re-entry, housing placements, and more to help better themselves economically and professionally.

Service Hours: Mon. - Fri., 9:00am - 5:30pm

Emergency Food Pantry Hours:

Wed. 5:00pm - 7:30pm Thur. 2:00pm - 5:00pm Fri. 9:00am - 12:00pm Sat. 9:00am - 12:00pm

See Services Description for hours of other programs.

Languages: English with translation software assistance

if needed.

Moving Steps Foundation

See in Category: Women

Massachusetts Suffolk County Sheriff's Department

20 Bradston St Boston, MA 02118 Phone: (617) 635-1000

www.scsdma.org/programs/re-entry-services/

Services: Massachusetts Suffolk County Sheriff's Department offers or partners with the following re-Entry programs and services:

<u>Boston Re-Entry Initiative:</u> A program for 17-30 year old males living within the Empowerment Zone who are most likely to recidivate. Inmates are given community mentors and case managers to assist them throughout their sentence and transition back into the community. Offenders also participate in a job skills workshop to provide them with employment and a resume.

Re-Entry Discharge Team – RED Team: The RED team follows an Inmate Discharge Plan to monitor an inmates progress along with the casework staff during incarceration. They provide resources in the library, do one on one reviews sixty-days prior to release, and facilitate referrals to programs and resources in the community.

<u>Community Supervision</u>: The objective of this program is to mentor and manage inmates in community settings with the goal of early reintegration into the community with no adverse effect to public safety. Community Supervision participants must have a home plan approved by field officers. While in the community, the client must maintain employment or attend school (part-time or full-time).

Community Works Program (CWP): The Suffolk Country Sheriff's Department, through the Community Works Program (CWP), send properly classified inmates nearing the completion of their sentences into communities, under the constant watch of an armed Sheriff's deputy, to provide labor for many city, state and town projects. Cleaning vacant lots, beautifying roadway intersections, painting street lamps, boarding and securing abandoned homes and shoveling senior citizen housing walkways are just some of the many innovative jobs the inmates complete. CWP is an essential part of vocational and job training services provided to offenders before release from the Suffolk County House of Correction.

ROCA: The goal of ROCA is to establish a link to incarcerated men so that, upon their return to the community they will have a connection to the agency and its resources which include ESOL, pre-GED, GED, and job preparation peacemaking circles, and leadership development. This program is for inmates ages 16-24 residing in Chelsea, Revere, East Boston, or Lynn, Massachusetts.

North End/West End Neighborhood Service Center (NSC)

1 Michelangelo Street Boston, MA 02113 Phone: 617-523-8125 Fax: 617-367-4859

mariastella.gulla@bostonabcd.org; www.bostonabcd.org/north-endwest-end-nsc.aspx

Services: North End/West End NSC offers services and programs that include:

- Case Management
- Food Pantry Project Bread, call for appointment
- MassHealth Application Assistance
- Food Stamp/SNAP Application Assistance
- Clothing Assistance
- Holiday Gifts
- Holiday Meals
- Fuel Assistance
- Utility Bill Advocacy
- ESOL Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced

In addition, North End/West End NSC offers the following services, unique to this location:

 <u>Translation and Interpretation</u>: Spanish, Chinese (by request), Italian, Turkish

- Housing Counseling, Advocacy, and Search
 Assistance: housing-related services including
 landlord/tenant mediation to resolve conflicts,
 application assistance for Section 8 vouchers,
 public housing, and rental/mortgage subsidies,
 communication and outreach to realtors and
 public housing officials, follow-up and advocacy
 services for clients placed in housing, and
 housing search assistance through partnerships
 with other organizations
- <u>Supermarket Shuttle:</u> shuttle services to 3 local supermarkets
- <u>Food Vouchers:</u> emergency food assistance through food vouchers to local supermarkets
- Hot Meals and Snacks: hot meals (twice a week) and snacks (once a week) primarily for the elderly, disabled, and homeless
- <u>Senior Services:</u> senior center, nutrition workshops, transportation and escorting, and recreational activities

Other Locations: <u>Boston Public Library, West End</u> Branch

151 Cambridge St. Boston, MA 02114 617-523-8125

Requirements & Restrictions: Low-income residents of Boston for most programs. Bring I.D. and proof of income for your first visit.

On The Rise, Inc.

341 Broadway Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-497-7968 Fax: 617-492-9814

info@ontherise.org; www.ontherise.org/

Who to Contact: Community Advocate

Services: On The Rise provides a Safe Haven for homeless women or women in crisis to access other agencies to address many issues, including:

- Childhood and adult abuse and assault;
- Domestic violence;
- Addiction;
- Housing;
- Address for receiving mail;
- Medical care;
- Mental health care;
- Legal and criminal issues;

• Education and training.

The Safe Haven is a safe place where women may go to attend to personal needs which may have been neglected during years of homelessness. These include a shower, meals, clothing, and some privacy for a nap. Safe Haven will provide connections to other resources as well.

Community advocates will accompany women to appointments in the community to provide support and assistance in navigating services.

On The Rise also sponsors other activities: cultural outings, weekly creative groups such as painting and writing, and activities like massage.

Service Hours: M/T/Th: 8am- 2pm; W/F: 8am - 4pm; Sat: 8am - 2pm (closed first Saturday of every month)

Requirements & Restrictions: Safe Haven is not a dropin program. Please call 617-497-7968 if interested in scheduling an intake. For homeless women or women in crisis only. There is no formal referral process.

Languages: English, Spanish, Haitian Creole

Out For Good, Inc.

432 Dudley Street Boston, MA 02119 Phone: (617) 980-8835 Fax: (617) 708-0296

Info@outforgoodinc.com; www.outforgoodinc.com

Who to Contact: Christopher E. Conway

Services:

- CORI sealing
- CORI checks
- Substance abuse counseling
- Mental health counseling
- Career counseling
- Notary public

Service Hours: M-F 9am-7pm

Other Locations: 1773 Dorchester Ave Suite 2c

Dorchester, MA. 02124

Parole Regional Reentry Centers

10 McGrath Highway Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617-376-6260 Fax: 617-376-6267

www.mass.gov/eopss/agencies/parole-board/regional-reentry-centers-overview.html

Services: Aftercare services will be made available to returning citizens who complete their sentences without supervision and to parolees in the areas of employment, mental health, substance abuse services, and vocational training.

Other Locations: Regional Reentry Center Locations:

Regions 1 and 2

10 Mayor McGrath Highway, Quincy 02169 (617) 376-6260

Region 4

340 Main Street, Suite 380, Worcester 01608 (508) 753-7252

Region 5

436 Dwight Street, Springfield 01103 (413)-784-1210

Region 6

499 Essex Street, 1st Floor, Lawrence 01840 (978) 687-6340

Region 7

231 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Brockton 02301 (508) 587-0987

Region 8

1204 Purchase Street, New Bedford 02740 (508) 999-4820

Region 9

188 Concord Street, 2nd Floor, Framingham 01702 (508) 875-0621

Prison Book Program

See in Category: Education

Prisoner Reentry Institute at John Jay College of **Criminal Justice**

524 W. 59th Street Room 600BMW New York, NY 10019

pri@jjay.cuny.edu; www.johnjaypri.org/

Who to Contact: Prisoner Reentry Institute

Services: The mission of the Prisoner Reentry Institute (PRI) at John Jay College of Criminal Justice is to spur innovation and improve practice in the field of reentry by advancing knowledge; translating research into effective policy and service delivery; and fostering effective partnerships between criminal justice and non-criminal justice disciplines.

The PRI works towards this mission by focusing its efforts on the following types of projects and activities:

- Developing, Managing, and Evaluating **Innovative Reentry Projects**
- Providing Practitioners and Policymakers with Cutting Edge Tools and Expertise.
- **Promoting Education Opportunities for** Currently and Formerly Incarcerated Individuals
- Identifying Opportunities and Building Collaboration Across Fields and Disciplines

ProCon.org: Voting Rights

See in Category: Administrative Issues

Roca, Inc.

101 Park Street Chelsea, MA 02150 Phone: 617-889-5210 Fax: 617-889-2145

chelsea@rocainc.com; www.rocainc.org/

Services: Roca's job is to help young men and women get off the streets, stay out of jail, get good jobs, and create a better future for themselves.

See website for Roca's programming, focused in education, life skills, and employment.

Other Locations:

Boston

845 Albany Street Boston, MA 02119 617-442-3101 boston@rocainc.com

Lynn

52 Andrew Street Lynn, MA 01901 781-780-9611 lynn@rocainc.com

Springfield

29 School Street Springfield, MA 01105 413-846-4301 springfield@rocainc.com

Holyoke

384 High Street Holyoke, MA 01040 413-437-7714

Roxbury Multi-Service Center

Phone: 617-989-0292 Fax: 617-989-0276 www.roxmulti.org/

Who to Contact: Carole Montgomery, Executive Director and Dr. Margaret Jackson, Clinical Director

Services: Roxbury Multi Service Center (RMSC) offers behavioral health and family stabilization and support services to families in the Greater Boston Area.

Our office is on the Orange Line; Bus #45 stop immediately in front of our office (Corner of Gaston and Blue Hill Avenue).

Service Hours: M, W, Th, F- 9 am-5 pm, T- 9 am-7 pm

Other Locations:

<u>Health Clinic:</u> 321 Blue Hill Ave. Dorchester, MA 02121 <u>Apartments:</u> 252 Columbia Rd, Dorchester, MA 02121

Requirements & Restrictions: None

Waiting Time: Referrals are responded to within a 24

hour period

Languages: English, Spanish, French, Cape Verdean,

Haitian Creole

Salvation Army Social Services

1500 Washington Street Boston, MA 02188 Phone: 617-536-5260 Fax: 617-236-0799

Myron.Smith@USE.SalvationArmy.org; www.salvationarmyusa.org/usn/plugins/gdosCenterSea rch?mode=query_2&lat=42.36&lng=-71.059&code=US&query=boston

Who to Contact: Captains Myron & Kimberly Smith

Services: Assistance may be given in areas such as: utility assistance, clothing/furniture assistance, food/grocery store vouchers, food pantries, soup kitchens, rental/mortgage assistance, counseling referrals, case management, substance abuse, homelessness (shelters, family housing, transitional housing, and housing for troubled teens), camps for children, and more. Call the appropriate local office for assistance and information on the services available in that location. A listing of Massachusetts locations can be accessed by visiting the website listed above.

When appropriate, referrals are given to other agencies that may better serve the client's needs (such as food stamps, employment resources, and housing services).

Service Hours: M/T/Th/F: 8:30 am - 4pm. Please call to schedule an appointment

Other Locations:

Boston Ray & Joan Kroc Corps Community Center

650 Dudley Street Dorchester, MA 617-318-6900

Roxbury

23 Vernon Street Roxbury, MA 02119 617-427-6700

Chelsea

258 Chestnut Street Chelsea, MA 02150 617-884-0260

Serves: Chelsea, East Boston, Revere

Cambridge

402 Massachusetts Avenue Cambridge, MA 02139 617-547-3400

Serves: Somerville, Cambridge

Lynn

1 Franklin Street Lynn, MA 01902 781-598-0673

Quincy

6 Baxter Street Quincy, MA 02169 617-472-2345

Requirements & Restrictions: None; decisions are made following interviews and assessments, on a case-by-case basis. In addition, each local Corps office provides services within a specified geographic area. Call the office in the appropriate area.

Somerville Homeless Coalition

Phone: 617-623-6111 TTY: 617-776-0750 Fax: 617-776-7165 Idavidson@shcinc.org; www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/

Who to Contact: Reception

Services:

<u>Passages Case Management:</u> This program provides a range of services including housing searches and placement, designed to move individuals from the streets and shelters into permanent housing and self-sufficiency.

Rapid Response Program: The Somerville Homeless Coalition's innovative prevention and re-housing program prevents families and individuals from

becoming homeless, or rapidly re-houses them with emergency assistance. Rapid Response offers case management support for those in crisis and provides financial assistance with back rent, start-up costs, and utility payments, all of which could keep families and individuals in their homes and off the streets.

*Most of these funds have restrictions. Please check with a staff member for eligibility and application process.

The Somerville Homeless Coalition also runs two temporary shelters and multiple food assistance programs. See the Directory listings for Somerville Homeless Coalition: Shelter Services and Somerville Homeless Coalition, Food Assistance.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Passages Case Management: must be homeless in Somerville or Arlington

Languages: English, Spanish

St. Francis House See in Category: Food

Successful Release

www.successfulrelease.com/

Services: The Successful Release team is on a mission to help former offenders lead successful lives after their release. Leveraging the internet and a nationwide network of similarly motivated organizations, Successful Release strives to provide helpful resources to help create a smooth transition from prison.

The website includes a list of companies that employ felons including specific information on the hiring process and each company's policy for hiring those with felony convictions. There are also various employment help guides and reentry resources.

Three65DAD INC. (365DAD)

See in Category: Families

Union of Minority Neighborhoods

42 Seaverns Avenue Jamaica Plain, MA 02130 Phone: 617-942-7577 Fax: 617-522-3351

www.unionofminorityneighborhoods.org/

Services: The Union of Minority Neighborhoods (UMN) is committed to fully engaging communities of color as active participants in our democracy. UMN trains,

organizes, and empowers people of color to effectively access many of the resources that make a difference in people's lives – from the Commonwealth's schools, to its workplaces, to its financial institutions, to its voting booths. UMN is working to ensure the collective power as people of color is heard and felt.

Call for information on specific meeting times and places.

Service Hours: M - F, 9am - 5pm

Wyman Community Reentry Program

201 River Street Mattapan, MA 02126 Phone: 617-534-6187

www.bphc.org/whatwedo/Recovery-Services/roadmapto-recovery/Programs-and-Services/Pages/Wyman-Community-Reentry-Program-.aspx

Services: The Homeless Services Bureau of the Boston Public Health Commission operates the Wyman Reentry Center, a 4-6 month residential substance abuse recovery program for men involved in the court system.

Services offered include:

- Substance abuse counseling
- Case management
- Criminal/legal advocacy

Referrals can come from state or county correctional facilities, drug courts, shelter, parole offices, or agencies providing services to homeless returning citizens.

Service Hours: Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Male
- Seeking a safe and sober environment upon release from court or incarceration
- Actively working on finding a job or job training
- 18 years of age or older
- Participation in the educational and/or support groups offered
- Established commitment to sobriety

Physical and Mental Health

AIDS Action Committee

75 Amory Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Client Services: 617-437-6200 info@aac.org; www.aac.org/

Who to Contact: Client or Stabilization Advocate

Services: Assists returning citizens with HIV with housing search and advocacy, rental assistance, legal services, case management, peer support, medical transportation, nutrition and food, medication adherence, check-in, support groups and mental health services. Will refer clients to health care detox, and substance abuse treatment. Other services include PrEP counseling and referral, needle exchange, opioid overdose prevention/Naloxone distribution and HIV, Hepatitis C & STI prevention, testing, and education.

Provides services and referrals to drug users, transgender people, and homeless youth who are not HIV positive.

All services within the AIDS Action Committee are confidential and free of charge.

TransCEND: Call 617-437-6200 for support and risk reduction services for the transgender community

Service Hours: Office hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm; Walk-ins are OK from 9am - 3pm

Call Client Services for appointments.

Other Locations:

Cambridge 359 Green St. Cambridge, MA 02139 617-437-6200

North Shore 583 Chestnut Street Suite 6 Lynn, MA 01904 857-313-6785

Requirements & Restrictions: For case management – living with HIV/AIDS. Must have a doctor's note with diagnosis on doctor's letterhead.

Waiting Time: Wait list for some housing services; wait

times vary

Languages: Spanish, Portuguese, Haitian Creole, English

Alcoholics Anonymous See in Category: Substance Use

Arlington Street Church Friday Night Supper

See in Category: Food

Asian-American Civic Association

See in Category: Education

Back On My Feet Boston

361 Newbury Street Boston, MA 02115 Phone: 617-221-9508 bomfboston@gmail.com or jennifer.hyde@backonmyfeet.org; www.backonmyfeet.org/

Who to Contact: Jennifer Hyde

Services: Members commit to running/walking with one of our six teams in the Boston area Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. After 3 mornings of participation they are able to receive team gear, including a pair of running shoes. After 30 days in the program, members with 90% attendance earn the opportunity to move into the second phase of the program called Next Steps, which provides educational support, job training programs, employment partnership referrals and housing resources. Members can earn financial assistance to remove barriers to employment and housing such as work supplies, transportation and security deposits.

All our group runs meet every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. New members and volunteers are always welcome!

- Team Hope @ 5:45 am outside of 8 Farnham Street. Boston
- Team Common Ground/Vets @ 5:45 am near the Park Street MBTA Station at Park / Tremont Streets, Boston

Requirements & Restrictions: After 3 days of participation members are eligible to receive team gear. After 30 days participation they are able to enter our Next Steps Program to be eligible for financial aid.

All interested members and volunteers must complete paperwork prior to attending their first run.

Potential members must be clean and sober to participate. Cannot accept level 3 sex offenders.

Barbara McInnis House (BHCHP)

Jean Yawkey Place 780 Albany Street Boston, MA 02118

Walk-in phone: 857-654-1605

Fax: 857-654-1112 www.bhchp.org/about/locations/barbara-mcinnis-house

Who to Contact: Walk-in clinic

Services: This is a short-term medical respite program for seriously ill homeless men and women – those individuals who are too sick for a shelter but not sick enough for a hospital. The program provides short-term medical and recuperative services that include dermatology, optometry, HIV related services, dental, and behavioral health testing.

Requires a referral from a social worker, an agency case manager or clinician who has appropriate medical information, or a DOC nurse, or some other medically-knowledgeable professional. If you do not have a referral, you may call/walk-in the Jean Yawkey Place to obtain one. See Jean Yawkey Place listing for more information.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must have a referral from a hospital, shelter, clinic, social worker, or other health care service provider. Patients cannot self-refer for admission. Can be given through walk-in clinic.

Bay Cove Human Services

66 Canal Street Boston, MA 02114 Phone: 617-371-3000 Fax: 617-371-3100

info@baycove.org; www.baycove.org/

Services: Bay Cove Human Services is a private, not-for-profit corporation that provides services to individuals and families who face the challenges of developmental and intellectual disabilities, mental illness, substance use disorder, homelessness and/or aging. Call the main office number to be directed to the appropriate program.

<u>Substance Use Services</u>: Bay Cove provides a continuum of services which offer effective treatments individually tailored to each person, including acute detoxification treatment; inpatient transitional support services; recovery homes for men and women; a shelter for homeless adults struggling with active addiction; and outpatient medication-assisted treatment.

Adult Day Health Services: Adult Day Health programs provide supports that enable participants to receive individualized health, wellness, and social services designed to help them remain in their home and community and live as independently as possible.

Child and Family Services: Bay Cove's Child & Family Services promote the physical, mental and emotional development of children. The Early Intervention (EI) program serves children under three years of age who are developmentally delayed, have a known disabling condition, or who are at risk of developmental delays due to biological or environmental factors. Our Small Wonders Nursery School serves children from 16-36 months of age and provides exceptional early childhood education for children with and without disabilities.

<u>Healthcare Integration Services:</u> Bay Cove's Healthcare Integration Services offer two specialized, integrated care coordination programs (One Care Health Home and Community Partner Program) with the overarching objective of helping individuals with complex behavioral health and long-term support needs navigate complex healthcare and social services systems

Housing and Homeless Services: Resources include proactive intervention programs for individuals with behavioral health issues, in an attempt to prevent homelessness before it starts; a homeless street outreach team; daytime and overnight shelters for specialized sections of the homeless populations, including one of the area's only shelters for individuals dealing with active substance use disorders; and transitional housing programs.

Long Term Support Services: These services range from family supports, which help identify and address the unique challenges faced in keeping a disabled family member in the family home; to individual supports for people with disabilities living independently in their community; to supervised residences and day programs that promote the development of skills geared toward helping individuals achieve greater autonomy.

Mental Health Services: Services include emergency psychiatric evaluations and diversionary services, specialized residential services, clubhouse, and peer-led recovery supports and care management that promotes improved integration of psychiatric and primary care.

Service Hours: M - F: 8:30am - 6pm. There are scheduled dosing hours on weekends.

Requirements & Restrictions: Certain programs may have restrictions. Call 617-371-3000 for more information.

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)

99 Bishop Allen Drive Cambridge, MA 02139

Phone (24-Hour Hotline): 1-800-841-8371 Phone (Office): (617) 492 8306 Fax: (617) 492 3291 info@barcc.org; www.barcc.org/

Services: The Boston Area Rape Crisis Center offers a hotline and free, confidential in-person counseling services for survivors of sexual assault and their friends and families (ages 12 and older).

Services include:

- Hotline by phone and web chat
- Medical advocacy
- Legal advocacy
- Counseling and support groups
- Case management
- Community services
- Professional training

Service Hours: Hotline is 24/7; Counseling services in the office during typical working hours and upon request.

Other Locations:

Family Justice Center 989 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA 02215

Waltham Office

24 Crescent Street Waltham, MA 02453

Requirements & Restrictions: Anyone 12 years or older welcome.

Languages: English, all languages made possible through a special language line

Boston Center for Independent Living, Inc.

See in Category: Disability

Boston Health Care for the Homeless; Jean Yawkey Place

Jean Yawkey Place 780 Albany Street Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 857-654-1600

Fax: 857-654-1107

info@bhchp.org; www.bhchp.org/jean-yawkey-place

Services: BHCHP seeks to provide or assure access to the highest quality health care for all homeless men, women and children in the greater Boston area. Services are provided at medical centers, shelters, and on the street.

Patient services at Jean Yawkey Place include primary care, dental services, family services, HIV care, pharmacy, podiatry, optometry, behavioral health, transgender program and substance abuse treatment. Some services are provided at special times, call for

more information.

Service Hours: Mon. - Fri. 7am to 4pm; Thur. open until 8pm for Transgender Program

Boston Public Health Commission: Father Friendly Initiative

Finland Building 774 Albany Street Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-534-9525

Fax: 617-534-5355

www.bphc.org/whatwedo/childrens-health/father-friendly/Pages/Father-Friendly.aspx

Services: Designed to assist fathers in becoming more involved with their families – before, during, and after the birth of their children by encouraging participants to become emotional, financial and nurturing resources for their children.

FFI is a case management service designed to support the full integration of dads in the family system, specifically targeting men who have child support, custody/visitation, or court-involved issues. FFI uses a holistic approach and offers a comprehensive case management program designed to accommodate the psychological, physical, and social support needs of men.

Services are packaged in a program which includes coordination of health care, ensuring that all men enrolled in the program have medical insurance, substance abuse referrals, anger management counseling, parenting skills, support groups, employment/education, and custody/visitation.

Additionally, FFI clients can participate in a 13-lesson culturally sensitive curriculum

Service Hours: Program is open M - F: 9am - 5pm. For intake programs, must contact program director.

Requirements & Restrictions: Father Friendly is open to all men but the target population consists of fathers and potential fathers.

Languages: English, Cape Verdean

Boston Public Health Commission: Healthy Baby/Healthy Child

774 Albany Street Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-534-5832 Toll-free: 1-800-711-1180

Fax: 617-534-5355

www.bphc.org/whatwedo/childrens-health/healthy-baby-healthy-child/Pages/Healthy-Baby-Healthy-Child.aspx

Services: The Healthy Baby/Healthy Child Program (HB/HC) is a community-based program designed to promote infant survival, positive birth outcomes, oral health, and family unity. The HB/HC program provides home visiting to pregnant and parenting families with a child under age of five who reside in Boston. All services are free, voluntary, and confidential. Public health nurses, public health advocates, case managers, and social workers help prepare parents via a strength-based model for healthy deliveries, successful parenting, and school readiness within the scope of their own culture and language. Families are linked to a range of supportive and health services. Call, email, or write for more information (contact information above).

Additional HB/HC Programs & Initiatives:

Father Friendly Initiative: Read the description of services under the BPHC's Father Friendly Initiative Directory listing.

Partners in Parenting: Partners in Parenting is a mentoring program that offers parenting support to pregnant and parenting clients. Clients are connected with volunteer partners from their community who serve as mentors, advocates and community liaisons. The partners provide support and coaching to build the clients natural supports and decrease social isolation.

Women Circles: Women Circles are offered in the spring and fall. The Circles are community-based health, social, and educational sessions for women. These sessions are designed to decrease social isolation and to promote community awareness, health, and mobilization in an informal and safe environment. The sessions are held at various locations throughout Boston.

HB/HC Food Pantry: The food pantry provides emergency food assistance to HB/HC clients and City of Boston residents. Hours of operation are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 10am to 2:45pm. The food pantry is a member of Project Bread's Food Source Hotline that coordinates and makes resident referrals (1-800-645-8333).

Summer Enrichment Program (SEP): The Summer

Enrichment Program is a diverse program operated one day per week for seven weeks from July through August. The program offers enriching educational and recreational activities to HB/HC clients. The goal is to reduce social isolation, provide health and wellness education and engage families in recreational activities. HB/HC Special Collaborations: MA Center for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome: The Massachusetts Center for Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)/Massachusetts Infant and Death Bereavement Program is located at Boston Medical Center. The SIDS Center is responsible for coordinating services to families throughout MA whose babies and young children (0 - 3 years) have died suddenly and unexpectedly due to SIDS and other causes of infant mortality. HB/HC receives referrals from the SIDS Center to provide culturally competent services during the first year of bereavement. The HB/HC public health nurses and social workers provide grief counseling, support, anticipatory guidance, and linkage to available resources.

Healthy Start in Housing (HSiH): The BPHC and the Boston Housing Authority formed a joint initiative to help high risk pregnant or parenting families with a child who has a complex condition requiring specialty care, secure and retain stable housing. The goals of HSiH are improved birth outcomes, and improved health and well-being of women and their families. Key strategies to achieve these goals are the provision of housing and intensive case management, aimed housing retention, and engagement in services and interventions geared toward the achievement of their identified goals.

Welcome Family: Welcome Family is a universal newborn (1 day to 8 weeks) home visit pilot program funded by the MA Department of Public Health. The home visit is free, confidential, and voluntary. The visits are conducted by multilingual Public Health Nurses. The goal is to improve population-wide health and wellbeing. Outcomes are aimed to 1) increase parenting skills, knowledge, and self-confidence; 2) improve maternal and infant health and well-being; 3) increase community connectedness for families with maternal, infant, and family services; and 4) improve coordination of community resources and supports.

Violence Intervention Advocate Program (VIAP): This program provides coordinated home-based services to

women who are pregnant or parenting a child under the age of 5 and are survivors of a gunshot or stabbing, or are the significant other or parent of a male survivor of gunshot or stabbing victim who present at the Boston Medical Center Emergency Room. The goal of this program is to improve the health and well-being of women and their families through intensive case management services.

Requirements & Restrictions: Individual seeking assistance must pregnant or have a child between the ages of birth and 5, and live in the City of Boston.

Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese, Somali, French, Creole

Boston Public Health Commission: Men's Health and Recovery Program

774 Albany Street, 3rd Fl. Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-534-2185

info@bphc.org; www.bphc.org/whatwedo/Recovery-Services/roadmap-to-recovery/Programs-and-Services/Pages/Men's-Health-and-Recovery.aspx

Who to Contact: Intake, 617-534-2185

Services: Men's Health and Recovery is an outpatient treatment program that provides recovery services (individual therapy, group therapy, and case management) for self-identified men who have substance use disorders in Boston. Staff offer expertise in the treatment needs of those with substance use disorders in a caring, diverse, culturally sensitive, and non-judgmental environment.

The Program provides: Individual substance abuse counseling; Recovery support services; Links to educational and vocational resources; Psychoeducational groups including Relapse Prevention, Spirituality, Men's Trauma, Early Recovery, and Peer Leadership.

Participants will have access to: one-on-one recovery coaching and recovery planning; access to our onsite Peer Recovery Center, which includes a variety of sober activities and additional support groups; and the opportunity to become trained as peer leaders and/or recovery coaches.

Service Hours: Walk-ins are welcome for enrollment (no appointment needed).

 Intakes: Mon. – Fri., 9am – 3pm (note: Wednesdays until 1pm). • Programs: Mon. – Fri., 8am – 4pm (note: Wednesdays until 2pm).

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be a self-identifying man 18 years of age or older, a resident of Boston or surrounding neighborhoods, have a history of substance abuse or active use with the intention of seeking treatment.

Languages: English (counseling & groups) and Spanish (counseling & groups)

Boston Public Health Commission: Mom's Project/Women's Health & Recovery

774 Albany Street, 4th Fl.

Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-534-7411 Fax: 617-534-3491

info@bphc.org; www.bphc.org/whatwedo/Recovery-Services/roadmap-to-recovery/Programs-and-Services/Pages/MOM'S-Project.aspx

Who to Contact: Intake staff, 617-534-7411

Services: The Mom's Project is an outpatient treatment program that provides recovery services (individual therapy, group therapy, and case management) for self-identified women who have substance use disorders in Boston. Staff offer expertise in the treatment needs of those with substance use disorders provided in a caring, diverse, culturally-sensitive, and non-judgmental environment. Services provided:

- Individual substance abuse disorder counseling
- Treatment planning
- Psychotherapeutic groups, including:
 - Relapse Prevention, Mindfulness, Anger Management, Neurobiology of Addiction, Spirituality & Recovery, Family Nurturing, Pathways to Reunification, Self-Esteem and Early Recovery Evening Group (Wednesday evenings 6:00 – 7:30pm).
- Case management services
- On-site primary care services
- On-site HIV and STI testing
- Drug screening if requested by outside providers
- Care-coordination
- Transportation assistance for eligible clients
- Light lunch and refreshments

Service Hours: Walk-ins welcome for enrollment (no appointment needed).

Intakes: Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm (Tuesdays until 12pm).

Programs: Monday - Friday 8am - 4pm (Wednesdays

until 1:30pm)

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be a self-identifying woman over the age of 18. Resident of Boston or surrounding neighborhoods with a history of substance abuse or active use with the intention of seeking treatment. Women are not required to have children to participate.

Languages: Services provided in English and Spanish.

Bowdoin Street Health Center

230 Bowdoin Street Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center Dorchester, MA 02122 Phone: 617-754-0100

Fax: 617-754-0230 www.bidmc.org/locations/bowdoin-street-health-center

Who to Contact: Call the main number

Services: Bowdoin Street Health Center offers comprehensive primary and specialty care with specialized expertise in the careful management of chronic disease, especially diabetes. The Center is also an innovator in transforming its practice into a Patient-Centered Medical Home, improving patient outcomes through stronger provider-patient partnerships in comanaging one's health. Bowdoin's approach includes a self-care program, a multidisciplinary care team, group medical visits, screenings for depression and home visits. Services include:

- Adolescent Case Management
- Adult Medicine
- Family Practice and Planning
- Geriatrics
- HIV Services
- OB/GYN
- Pediatrics
- Optometry (Eye care)
- Physical Therapy
- Mental Health and Counseling
- Nutrition Services
- Podiatry (Foot care)
- Community Health Programs

Service Hours: M - Th 8am - 7pm; F: 8am - 5pm; Most

Saturdays: 9am-1pm

Waiting Time: New patient appointments within two weeks

Languages: English, Spanish, Cape Verdean Creole, Haitian Creole, Polish, Portuguese, French, Vietnamese

Bridge Over Troubled WatersSee in Category: Other Groups

Cambridge Economic Opportunity Committee

See in Category: Other Groups

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

CASPAR, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Commonwealth Center for Consultation & Psychotherapy – Psychological Services

See in Category: Sex Offenders

Community Legal Services & Counseling Center

See in Category: Legal

Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center

398 Neponset Ave Dorchester, MA 02122 Phone: 617-282-3200 Fax: 617-533-2294

www.hhsi.us/locations/daniel-driscoll-neponset-healthcenter/

Services: Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center (DDNHC) provides comprehensive medical and behavioral health services to residents in Dorchester and the surrounding communities. DDNHC also has an on-site retail pharmacy, laboratory, and WIC Nutrition Program.

Services include:

- Family medicine
- Pediatrics
- Behavioral health
- Optometry
- Cardiology
- Nutrition counseling
- Women's health
- OB/GYN

- Family planning
- Urology podiatry
- Substance use disorder treatment.
- DDNHC also offers extensive HIV services and has a weekly food pantry.

Service Hours: M - F: 8:30am - 9pm; Sat: 9am - 4pm;

Sun: 10am - 3pm; Holidays: 10am - 3pm

Other Locations:

Harbor Community Health Center - Plymouth

10 Cordage Park Circle, Suite 115

Plymouth, MA 02360 Phone: 508-778-5470 Fax: 508-778-5471

Harbor Community Health Center-Plymouth provides medical, dental, and specialty care to residents in Plymouth and the surrounding communities.

Services include: primary care, dental, wellness program, financial counseling and health insurance enrollment assistance.

Harbor Community Health Center-Plymouth is a Veteran's Choice Program Partner.

Harbor Community Health Center – Hyannis

735 Attucks Lane Hyannis, MA 02601 Phone: 508-778-5420

Fax: 508-778-8747

Harbor Community Health Center-Hyannis provides medical and dental care to residents in Hyannis and the surrounding communities.

Services include: primary care, dental, social services and HIV dental case management, financial counseling, health insurance enrollment assistance, clinical and retail pharmacy.

Harbor Community Health Center-Hyannis is a Veteran's Choice Program Partner.

Languages: Interpreter services available.

Department of Mental Health and Forensic Services

1 Ashburton Pl Boston, MA 02108 Phone: (617) 573-1600

https://www.mass.gov/service-details/forensic-services

Services: Court-based forensic mental health assessments and consultations for people facing criminal or delinquency charges and civil commitment proceedings. Services provided:

Forensic Mental Health Services:

- Court based forensic mental health assessments and consultations who are facing criminal or delinquency charges and civil commitment proceedings.
- The Forensic Transition Team provides reentry services for DMH clients who are transitioning from prisons, jails, and other places of detention to the community.
- Jail diversion activities.

Check out DMH Forensic Mental Health Services at a Glance on www.mass.gov/service-details/forensic-services for more program information.

Adult Services:

- Adult Community Clinical Services
- Formerly Community Based Flexible Supports
- Respite Services
- Program of Assertive Community Treatment (PACT)
- Clubhouses
- Recovery Learning Communities (RLCs)
- DMH Case Management
- Homelessness Services

Child, Youth, and Family Services:

- Child/Adolescent Case Management
- Individual and Family Support Services
- Day Services
- Caring Together Services
- Clinically Intensive Residential Treatment (CIRT)
- Intensive Residential Treatment Programs (IRTP)
- Parent and Family Support Services
- Transition Age Youth
- School and Community Therapeutic Support
- Information and Referral
- Consultation and Education
- Juvenile Forensic Court Services
- Continuing Care Inpatient Services
- Massachusetts Child Psychiatry Access Program (MCPAP)

The Dimock Center

55 Dimock Street Roxbury, MA 02119 Phone: 617-442-8800

info@dimock.org; www.dimock.org/

Services: The Dimock Center provides the residents of Boston with convenient access to high quality, low cost health care and human services.

Health Center: Here, patients have a team of doctors, medical personnel and staff working in coordination to help them become and remain healthy and strong. Doctors and nurses, nurse practitioners and case managers, eye care specialists and dentists – our highly qualified experts all work together to ensure that patients and families have the resources they need, from birth through life. Healthcare services include: adult medicine, community care, dental, eye care, OB/GYN, pediatric services, patient info, and pharmacy. Hours vary by service.

<u>Behavioral Health</u>: Acute Treatment Services (ATS), Residential Services, Outpatient Services, Emergency Shelter

Child and Family Services: A sequence of classes are offered that start at the most basic level and prepare students for successful transition to post-high school education or training. In addition to classes, the program provides employment counseling, professional development, introduction to computers, and case management. Each student enrolled in classes will receive an academic assessment which is used to develop the student's Individual Learning Plan (ILP).

Other programs include:

- Early Head Start center-based and homebased services to expectant families and children birth to 3 years
- Head Start center-based services for children ages 3-5 years
- School Readiness center-based child care for children ages 4 months to 5 years
- Early Intervention services for children birth to 3 years with disabilities and/or developmental delays

Anyone interested should call 617-442-8800 x1219, for an intake appointment.

Service Hours: For Adult Education: Class Times M - F: 9:30am - 1:30pm, classes are given in 13-week cycles

Other Locations: Educational Facility:

1800 Columbus Avenue, Roxbury

Requirements & Restrictions: For Adult Education:

Applicants must be at least 18 years old.

Waiting Time: Open-enrollment

Disability Law Center

See in Category: Disability

Entre Familia

See in Category: Women

Fathers' Uplift

See in Category: Families

Geiger Gibson Community Health Center

250 Mount Vernon Street Dorchester, MA 02125 Phone: 617-288-1140

Fax: 617-288-3190

www.hhsi.us/locations/geiger-gibson-communityhealth-center/

Services: Geiger Gibson Community Health Center provides medical, dental, and behavioral health care to residents in Dorchester and the surrounding communities. Services include: primary care with sameday availability, dental, behavioral health, sexual health access and counseling, laboratory services, podiatry, optometry, social services, HIV services, Suboxone treatment, financial counseling, health insurance enrollment assistance, clinical and retail pharmacy. Geiger Gibson Community Health Center is a Veteran's Choice Program Partner.

Service Hours:

Health Center: Mon. - Thur. 10:30am - 7pm, Fri. 8:30am - 5pm, Sat. 9am - 4pm, closed on Sundays

Dental: Mon. - Thur. 7:30am - 9pm, Fri. 7:30am - 5pm,
Sat. 8:30am - 4pm, closed on Sundays

Pharmacy: Mon. - Thur. 9:30am - 6pm, Fri. 9am - 5pm,

Sat. 9:30am - 3pm, closed on Sundays

Languages: Translator services and language line available: Vietnamese, Mandarin, Portuguese, Spanish, Cape Verdean, Haitian Creole

GLBTQ Legal Advocates and Defenders (GLAD)

See in Category: LGBTQ+

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS)

See in Category: Legal

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center

632 Blue Hill Avenue Dorchester, MA 02121 Phone: 617-825-3400 Fax: 617-282-1450

contact@harvardstreet.org; www.harvardstreet.org/

Services: Harvard Street Health Center provides the following services:

- Adolescent Clinic
- Adult Medicine
- Behavioral Health
- Dental
- Laboratory
- Nutrition and a Food Pantry
- OB/GYN
- Pediatrics
- Pharmacy
- Veterans Center

Service Hours: M - W: 8:30am - 8pm; Th: 8:30am - 4:30pm; F: 9:30am - 4:30pm; Saturday: 9am - 3pm Other Locations: Behavioral Health Address &

Telephone:

895 Blue Hill Avenue Dorchester, MA 02124 **Phone:** 617-822-7129

Waiting Time: Walk-ins could have a 1-hour wait Languages: English, Spanish, French, Haitian Creole,

Korean, various West African

Health Law Advocates
See in Category: Legal

Hour House Boston, Incorporated See in Category: Other Groups

Institute for Sexual Wellness See in Category: Sex Offenders

International Foundation for Gender Education (IFGE)

See in Category: LGBTQ+

La Alianza Hispana

1000 Massachusetts Avenue, #101 Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-427-7175 Fax: 617-442-2259

info@laalianza.org; www.laalianza.org/

Services: La Alianza Hispana is organized into different service areas:

<u>La Alianza Hispana Aliancianos Eldercare Center:</u> This program is offered to anyone over 60 years old. The program was designed to improve the physical and emotional health of the participants. It also offers services that help to develop work skills.

La Alianza Hispana's Adult Day Health Program: This program provides culturally appropriate daily care for the elderly, and related support services for their families. La Alianza Hispana's Senior Social and Recreation Center offers Latino seniors a safe and culturally sensitive environment with programs designed to stabilize and improve participants' physical and emotional health.

Prenatal and Early Education Childhood Program: The Mother to Be/Parent-2-Parent program supports healthy child development and the building blocks of school readiness through parenting support, parenting education, literacy and school readiness training for parents' children, health/prevention education, and case management.

<u>The Greater Community:</u> Community building, leadership development, partnerships, events, education and promotion, research, and volunteer opportunities.

<u>Work Force:</u> This program provides computer classes and help with resume writing. It is open to all community members.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm **Requirements & Restrictions:** None

Languages: Spanish, English

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee 24 School Street, Suite 804

Boston, MA 02108 General Phone: 617-338-2345 Toll-Free (MA only): 1-800-342-9092

Fax: 617-338-2347 Intake Phone: 617-338-2345, 4 Intake- Toll-Free (MA only): 1-800-342-9092, 4

MHLAC@mhlac.org; www.mhlac.org/index.htm

Services: Mental Health Legal Advisors Committee provides referrals, brief information, advice and, in some instances, direct representation. Priorities include access to mental health and related support services, public and private insurance matters, rights for psychiatric in-patient and out-patient programs, disability discrimination on the basis of mental illness, right to refuse treatment, visitation/custody for parents with mental illness, civil rights of DYS-involved adolescents, and special education.

Staff will respond to calls after the caller leaves a message on the intake line during the hours listed below. Intakes are not done on a walk-in basis.

Staff may provide services for those in jail, only if mental health care is denied or if a person is placed in solitary confinement.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: No criminal

representation

Languages: Access to many languages via phone

interpreters

Multicultural AIDS Coalition

566 Columbus Avenue Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-238-2424 www.mac-boston.org/

Services: The Multicultural AIDS Coalition mission is to mobilize communities of color to end the HIV epidemic. Multicultural AIDS Coalition provides integrated HIV/STI testing – includes one-on-one counseling, screening for HIV, hepatitis C, syphilis, Chlamydia, and gonorrhea. Follow-up support services and navigation to treatment is provided.

Specific Programs Include:

<u>CONNECTED Boston</u> – Comprehensive prevention, screening, and care services for gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men. A Drop-In Center provides a variety of HIV and other health services as well as a safe space for the LGBT persons of color.

<u>Women Connecting Affecting Change</u> – A women led program that addresses needs of Black, Latina, and other women at high risk for infection. Services are provided at a Drop-In Center on Blue Hill Avenue in Dorchester. HIV/STI screening, one-on-one counseling, group counseling, peer-support is provided, and risk reduction services including access to syringe services are provided.

<u>Casa Iris</u> – A peer support, Drop-In Center for Latinos/Latinas offers support groups for Latinx individuals living with HIV, referrals to other health and social services, and individual peer support designed to help clients manage their health and thrive.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations:

Multicultural AIDS Coalition

566 Columbus Avenue Boston, MA 02118

MAC/Women Connecting Affecting Change

409 Blue Hill Avenue Dorchester, MA 02121 617-541-1050

Waiting Time: Clients can make appointments to received services or drop into our locations. Languages: Spanish, Some African Languages, English

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

See in Category: Hotlines

Network of Care (Massachusetts)

See in Category: Substance Use

New England Forensic Associates

See in Category: Sex Offenders

New England Index: Information on Disabilities Exchange

See in Category: Disability

On The Rise, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Out For Good, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Parole Regional Reentry Centers

See in Category: Other Groups

Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts

1055 Commonwealth Ave
Boston, MA 02215
Phone: 800-258-4448
customerservice@pplm.org;
www.plannedparenthood.org/planned-parenthoodmassachusetts

Services:

- Routine gynecological care
- Abnormal Pap Test Management
- Birth Control Options
- Essure
- Emergency Contraception
- Pregnancy Testing
- Abortion
- Sexually Transmitted Infections Testing and Treatment
- HIV Testing

- PrEP
- HPV Vaccinations
- Free condoms at all our health centers
- A sexual health counseling and referral hotline

Online and text chat service available: Individuals may chat online or text "PPNOW" to 774636 (PPINFO) to get answers about pregnancy, birth control, emergency contraception, STDs, and abortion. Standard message and data rates may apply.

Service Hours: Hours vary by location. Visit website for more information.

Other Locations:

Central MA Health Center:

470 Pleasant Street Worcester MA 01609

Western MA Health Center:

3550 Main Street Springfield MA 01107

North Central MA Health Center:

391 Main Street Fitchburg MA 01420

Metro West Health Center:

91 Main Street

Marlborough MA 01752

Requirements & Restrictions: Some appointments

require parental consent for minors.

Waiting Time: Varies. PPLM offers walk-in

appointments or you can call or book an appointment

online

Languages: Translation services are offered for most

languages.

Right Turn

See in Category: Substance Use

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Roxbury Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

Samaritans

See in Category: Hotlines

St. Francis House

See in Category: Food

The Cambridge Women's Center

See in Category: Women

The Dimock Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

The Federation for Children with Special Needs

See in Category: Disability

Therapy Matcher (Formerly "Social Work Therapy Referral Service")

Phone: 617-720-2828 Toll-free: 1-800-242-9794

info@therapymatcher.org; www.therapymatcher.org/

Services: Therapy Matcher is a free, confidential telephone referral service offered by the National Association of Social Workers, MA Chapter. Provides professional, personalized counseling referrals matched for location, specialty, and insurance or fee requirements.

Service Hours: Call and leave message, someone will return your call

Upham's Corner Health Center

415 Columbia Road Dorchester, MA 02125 Phone: 617-287-8000 Fax: 617-287-1500

info@uphams.org;

www.uphamscornerhealthcenter.org/

Who to Contact: Registration

Services: Health center and social services for adults and children. The health center provides a range of services including:

- Medical Care Family Medicine & Primary Care; Pediatrics (Children); Adult Medicine; Family Planning; OB/GYN & Midwifery; Prenatal Care; Pharmacy; Laboratory Services; HIV Rapid Testing service – confidential HIV testing; Podiatry (foot); Dermatology (skin); Eye Care; and Adult Day Health
- Pharmacy Please call 617-265-1310
- Home Care
- Nutrition, Women, Infants and Children (WIC) Program
- Behavioral Health and Social Services
- Dental Services
- Elder Service Plain

Service Hours: M – Th: 8:30am – 8pm; F: 10am – 5pm;

Sat: 9am – 12:30pm

Other Locations:

Teen Clinic and HIV & Women, Infant and Children's

Program

415 Columbia Road, Dorchester MA 02125

Tel: 617-287-0786 Tel: 617-825-8994 (WIC)

Dental & Eye Care

636 Columbia Road, Dorchester MA 02125

Tel: 617-825-9839

<u>Upham's Elder Service Plan (UESP) / PACE</u> Savin Hill 1140 Dorchester Ave, MA 02125 Dudley Square 36 Dearborn Street MA 02119 Jackson Square 125A Amory St, Boston, MA 02119

UESP/PACE Tel: 617-288-0970

Requirements & Restrictions: Dorchester residents

Waiting Time: 7-10 days

Languages: Spanish, English, Creole, Portuguese,

French, Vietnamese, and Arabic

V.A. Boston Healthcare System for Women Veterans

See in Category: Women

Victory Programs Inc.
See in Category: Housing

Whittier Street Health Center

1290 Tremont Street Roxbury, MA 02120 Phone: 617-427-1000 Fax: 617-989-3247

contact@wshc.org; www.wshc.org/

Services: Provides clinical services to all patients, regardless of ability to pay. Clinical services include: Adult/Family Medicine, Behavioral Health and Substance Abuse, Men's Health, OB/GYN, Optometry and Eye Care, Pediatrics/Adolescent Health, Podiatry (foot) Clinic, LGBTQ Clinic, Women's Health and more. There is also urgent care available during regular hours.

The center also provides programs that deal with issues related to poverty, violence, socioeconomic inequalities, domestic violence prevention, HIV/AIDS services, post-prison release/re-entry and public housing outreach.

Whittier Street Health Center accepts walk-ins. When the Center is closed, a 24/7 live answering service will attend to all calls and direct to a provider on call.

Service Hours: M-F: 8:30am – 8pm; Sat: 9am – 5pm

Other Locations: Whittier Street Health Center -

Satellite Clinic

278 Blue Hill Avenue

Roxbury, MA 617-858-2550

M-F: 8:30am - 5pm

Languages: English, Spanish, Swahili, Arabic, Bosnian, Krio, Portuguese, Yoruba, Russian, Farsi, Somali, Urdu, Haitian Creole

Women's Lunch Place See in Category: Women

Sex Offenders

Boston Release Network

PO Box 51275 Boston, MA 02205

Phone: 857-243-7979

BostonReleaseNetwork@gmail.com; www.bostonreleasenetwork.org/

Services: The Boston Release Network (BRN) is dedicated to the successful reintegration into the community of released persons who have committed a sexual offense. BRN is also a resource for information to persons with sex offenses who face problems in their community primarily due to registration issues. Those concerns include housing, employment and compliance with statutory mandates of registration laws.

Programs:

<u>Charlie Card</u> – A monthly "Charlie Card" is provided upon release. Cost: \$84.50 per client per month

<u>Fund-A-Phone</u> – An activated "smartphone" is provided to each returning citizen with BRN covering up to the first six (6) months of service. During this period, the client is encouraged to sign-up with other programs help continue to cover the \$30 monthly service bill. Cost: \$190 – \$240 per client

<u>Compensated Education</u> – Compensation is provided to clients who choose to attend approved reintegration classes provided by organizations with which BRN has developed a working partnership.

Release Pack – A secure, durable, waterproof backpack is provided upon release. Packs contain toiletries, undergarments, shower shoes, and a padlock. Cost: \$75 per client

Committee for Public Counsel Services (CPCS)

44 Bromfield Street
Boston, MA 02108
Main Office: 617-482-6212
Fax: 617-988-8495
ac@publiccounsel.net;
www.publiccounsel.net/pc/sorb/

Who to Contact: Assignment Coordinator at the

Alternative Commitment & Registration Unit

Services: Provides assistance on issues relating to the Sex Offender Registry and classification.

The website is designed to provide information for attorneys; however, it also contains information that former sex offenders may find helpful, including

overviews of the sex offender registration and notification act, civil commitment, lifetime community parole, and information on sex offender legislation, regulations and registration fees.

Commonwealth Center for Consultation & Psychotherapy – Psychological Services

403 Highland Avenue, Suite 211 Somerville, MA 02144 Phone: 617-666-5800 EXT 2 Fax: 617-666-5832 drifcusack@comcast.net

Who to Contact: John F. Cusack, Ph.D.

Services: The Center is a private mental health collaborative that provides comprehensive specialized outpatient assessment and treatment services to individuals who have engaged in sexually inappropriate/abusive/aggressive behavior. Weekly phase of the program can be completed in 12 – 24 months, followed by maintenance/check-in phase (monthly to quarterly).

The Center also provides psychological evaluations, psychotherapy/mental health counseling for individuals with no history of inappropriate/abusive/aggressive sexual behavior.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 6pm. Some evening appointments are available.

Requirements & Restrictions: Client must sign authorization for ongoing communication with parole or probation officer if on probation or parole.

Institute for Sexual Wellness

53 Winter Street Weymouth, MA 02188 Phone: 617-479-4501 Fax: 617-479-8109

info@instituteforsexualwellness.org; www.instituteforsexualwellness.org/

Services: The Institute for Sexual Wellness provides evidence-based comprehensive assessment, psychopharmacological and psycho-therapeutic sex offender treatment to individuals whose behaviors pose a high risk to themselves and/or others. Services offered include full clinical evaluations, dynamic risk assessments and treatment needs evaluation, interim evaluation, firesetting evaluations, forensic evaluation and consultation, group and individual therapy, as well as psycho-pharmacological therapy.

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Call the Institute for Sexual Wellness at (617) 479-4501 to schedule an initial appointment.

Service Hours: M-W: 9am-5pm, and flexibility as on a

needs-be basis **Languages:** English

Massachusetts Association for the Treatment of Sexual Abusers (MATSA)

P.O. Box 920811 Needham, MA 02492 Phone: 857-244-1413

MSRobin500@aol.com; www.matsa.info/

Services: This is a professional association of clinicians and other professionals in the field of sex offender evaluation and treatment. The MATSA Resource Directory, a list of treatment providers, is available at http://matsa.info/resource-directory/. Messages should be left on the answering machine.

New England Forensic Associates

22 Mill St. #306 Arlington, MA 02476 Phone: 781-643-0610 Fax: 781-643-1609

nefa@nefacorp.com; www.nefacorp.com/

Services: NEFA is a nationally recognized center for the evaluation and treatment of problematic sexual behavior.

NEFA provides:

- Individual and group therapy
- Outpatient Therapy
- Specialized Treatment Programs
- Psychological Evaluation
- Psychometric Assessment
- Employment and Human Resources Screening
- Professional Consultation
- Expert Witness Testimony

Service Hours: Office Hours: M – Th 9am – 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Client needs to be

accepted to treatment by a clinician

Waiting Time: Less than a month for appointments

Languages: English, Spanish

Registrants and Families Support Line

Phone: 800-773-4319 hotline@thesupporthotline.org; www.womenagainstregistry.org/page-1730789 Services: This support hotline or helpline is here to provide hope and encouragement to registrants and family members, women, mothers, grandmothers, sisters, daughters, children, friends, and others that are suffering collateral damage because a family member, friend, or loved one is on the sex offender registry. The support hot line is open to everyone that is suffering from the collateral damage of the sex offender registry. This is a service provided by Women Against Registry in collaboration with RSOL, and SOSEN and paid for by donations and membership fees paid to this web site.

The Support Line is not a substitute for professional counseling, treatment or consultation with an attorney. Any actions or lack of actions by the recipient after contacting the Support Line is the sole responsibility of the recipient. Neither RSOL, SOSEN nor Women Against Registry will be held responsible or liable in any regard. The Support Line DOES NOT support nor can we provide service to any person who is engaging in illegal activities and ask those calls be directed to: Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline 1-800-4-A-CHILD (1-800-422-4453).

Service Hours: 10am-10pm

Sex Offender Registry Board (SORB)

Main Office: (978) 740-6400 www.mass.gov/sorb

Who to Contact: Registration Unit 978-740-6503,

Classification Unit 978-740-65

Services: Website provides Board forms as well as summaries of information on registration requirements and fees, the requirement that sex offenders verify their registration every 30 days if homeless or living in a homeless shelter (registration is required annually inperson at live address, police department for level 2 and 3; by mail if level 1 or unclassified), and penalties for failure to comply with the various requirements. The site also lists recent changes in relevant Massachusetts General Laws and other information and regulations for sex offenders. The site also lists Level 3 and Level 2 (if classified after July 12, 2013) offender information including photos, searchable by last name, community, county, zip code, incarcerated or violators, and provides numerical counts for Level 2 and 3 offenders by city, town, or Boston neighborhoods.

The website provides information on reclassification hearings, as well as information on waiving the registration fee for individuals who qualify as indigent. The website provides an updated sex offender

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brochure. Staff at SORB can also answer questions and offer support for community based programs.

Service Hours: M – F: 8am – 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: Homeless sex offenders must verify registration every 30 days. Non-homeless sex offenders must verify registration annually.

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Shelters

Barbara McInnis House (BHCHP)

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Rescue Mission

See in Category: Other Groups

Bridge Over Troubled Waters

See in Category: Other Groups

Bristol Lodge Men's Shelter

27 Lexington Street Waltham, MA 02453 Phone: 781-893-0108 Fax: 781-647-3249

bl@mhsainc.org; www.mhsainc.org/mensshelter

Services: 45 bed emergency shelter for homeless men (18+). Maximum stay is 90 days, plus a 30-day waiting period before readmission. Small lockers available for storage space. Case management services are also available.

The shelter operates on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are in need of a bed, you must go through the screening process by calling 781-893-0108.

Service Hours: 4pm – 7:45am; Call at 9am to reserve bed. No intakes on weekends, no daytime accommodation.

Requirements & Restrictions:

<u>Dry facility</u>: Participants must remain sober and free of intoxicating substances of any type

<u>90-day time limit</u>: 90-day maximum stay, plus a 30-day waiting period before readmission

Waiting Time: No wait time, first-come first-served basis

Bristol Lodge Women's Shelter

205 Bacon Street Waltham, MA 02451 Phone (Registration): 781-893-0108 Phone (After 4pm only): 781-894-1225

BL@MHSAinc.org; www.mhsainc.org/womensshelter

Services: 12 bed emergency shelter for adult women (18+). Case management services also available.

Call 781-893-0108, Monday through Friday, starting at 9am to request a bed.

Service Hours: 4pm – 7:45am; Call 781-893-0108 at 9am to reserve bed. No intakes on weekends, no daytime accommodation.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Participants must remain sober and free of intoxicating substances of any type
- 90-day maximum stay, plus a 30-day waiting period before readmission

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

CASPAR, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Entre Familia

See in Category: Women

Father Bill's Place

38 Broad Street Quincy, MA 02169 Phone: 617-770-3314 www.helpfbms.org/help/

Services: Father Bill's Place is an emergency shelter for those in need. The main goal is to help people get stabilized and return to their community; Father Bill's Place does this through making referrals to community agencies, including those in mental health, substance abuse, housing, and employment. 3 meals a day can also be provided.

Service Hours: Check-In: line up at 4:00pm for 4:30pm;

Check-Out: 7:30am

Other Locations:

54 North Main Street Brockton 02301 508-587-5441

Requirements & Restrictions: Guests must prove tie or connection to the greater Quincy/Brockton/South Shore area; Must speak to assessment specialist; Male or Female, 18+; Sex offenders must register with Quincy/Brockton Police Department.

Waiting Time: Lottery system. No referrals are taken.

Languages: Languages are provided on an at-need basis

First Church in Cambridge See in Category: Faith-Based

Harvard Square Homeless Shelter (HSHS)

66 Winthrop Street
University Lutheran Church
Cambridge, MA 02138

Phone: 617-547-2841 Toll-free: 1-888-285-4038

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hshs@pbha.org; hshshelter.org/

Services: The Harvard Square Homeless Shelter serves the community of individuals experiencing homelessness in Cambridge and Boston. They provide guests with shelter, food, security, and a supportive environment of mutual respect. In addition to providing these fundamental needs, HSHS works individually with those who seek our assistance as they strive to attain their own goals and make the transition into independent living.

Call between 7:30am and 8:00am to enter the lottery for a 14-night bed at the following toll-free number: 1-888-285-4038.

Call back between 8:05am – 8:30am or 7pm – 9pm to find out if a 14-night bed was received.

Call between 9:00pm â€" 9:30pm to enter the lottery for a 1-night emergency bed (same night).

Call back after 9:40pm to find out if a 1-night bed was received (must be able to come in by 11:00pm).

<u>Length of stay</u>: Beds are either 14-night or 1-night beds. Service Hours: 7:00pm until 8:00am Sunday through Friday, Saturday until 9:00am. HSHS runs between November 1 and April 15.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Self-referral
- Dry shelter no drugs, no alcohol

Heading Home

See in Category: Other Groups

Hearth

See in Category: Housing

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

Pine Street Inn

444 Harrison Avenue Boston, MA 02118

General Information: 617-892-9100 info@pinestreetinn.org; www.pinestreetinn.org/

Who to Contact: Contact Triage as hours change depending on weather and locations

Services: Pine Street Inn provides street outreach, emergency services, supportive housing, job training,

and connections to employment. Service descriptions below, contact for help and information.

<u>Permanent Supportive Housing</u>: More than 900 tenants live in affordable housing across Boston and in Brookline, developed by Pine Street Inn since 1984. Twenty-four hour on-site staff provides support services to prevent a return to homelessness.

Contact: 617.892.8708 or 82 Green Street, Jamaica Plain, MA, M – F 8:30am – 4pm.

The Pine Street Inn also connects homeless veterans with housing opportunities and benefits that are specially available to those who have served in any branch of the U.S. armed forces.

Emergency and Transitional Shelter:

Temporary and Brief Emergency Shelter for Men: For men who have no option to stay with family or friends, Pine Street Inn provides temporary and brief emergency shelter at its Men's Inn, located at 444 Harrison Avenue, or at its Shattuck Shelter located at 179 Morton Street. All new guests must meet with Triage prior to admission to shelter and should be arranged in advance of discharge from the criminal justice system. All beds are assigned daily and there is no guarantee for a bed. These services are primarily only for temporary, brief night shelter except for cold or dangerous weather conditions.

Temporary and Brief Emergency Shelter for Women: For women who have no option to stay with family or friends, Pine Street Inn provides temporary and brief emergency shelter at its 363 Albany Street. All new guests must meet with Triage prior to admission to shelter and this meeting should be arranged in advance of discharge from the criminal justice system. All beds are assigned daily and there is no guarantee for a bed. These services are primarily only for temporary and brief night shelter except for cold or dangerous weather conditions.

Street Outreach: 115 unsheltered homeless men and women are served daily by workers on foot and by van. Pine Street is the only organization that provides nighttime outreach in Boston.

Job Training and Placement: 200 men and women annually complete training programs in food services and housekeeping or work with case managers who provide assessment, counseling, placement and job retention services for job-seeking homeless men and women.

Stabilization: A 50 bed post-detox program providing intensive treatment and support for homeless men with histories of chronic substance abuse.

Other Locations:

<u>Women's Inn at Pine Street:</u> 363 Albany Street, Boston <u>Shattuck Shelter:</u> 170 Morton Street, Jamaica Plain

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be homeless; Ages 25 and older only; Alcohol/drugs/drug paraphernalia/weapons are not permitted on premises. Unregistered sex offenders are prohibited from the premises.

Waiting Time: Depends on availability

Languages: English, Spanish

Project Hope

See in Category: Families

RESPOND, Inc.

PO Box 555 Somerville, MA 02143 Phone: 617-623-5900

info@respondinc.org; www.respondinc.org/

Services: 24 Hour Crisis Hotline: 617-623-5900

RESPOND provides emergency shelter and a range of support services and educational programs to thousands of survivors of domestic violence each year including adults, children and teens regardless of gender, race, religion, age or other characteristics. RESPOND staff work with survivors of domestic violence to address their immediate and long-term needs, providing emotional support, counseling, financial resources, information and referrals. Through RESPOND's programs, individuals and families in crisis develop the concrete tools necessary to regain control of their own lives – from parenting skills and housing search to financial literacy, and the hands-on experience of advocating for themselves. Services are free, confidential and currently offered in multiple languages.

Community Services:

RESPOND's Supportive Services are available to all victims and survivors of domestic violence. They include:

 24-Hour Crisis Hotline that provides emotional support, safety planning, resource referrals, and information on legal options, statewide shelter availability and community resources.

- Individual counseling and support groups, which help survivors define and meet their goals regarding safety, housing, employment, health care, housing issues, custody, and education.
- Access to safe shelter and housing remains a primary concern for all survivors of domestic violence. RESPOND developed its housing assistance program to address the unique needs of survivors and fill the gap left by antihomelessness agencies.
- Basic Assistance that helps program participants to access necessities such as food, clothing, medication, transportation and temporary shelter through the provision of gift cards for grocery, pharmacy and department stores, 911 emergency cell phones, and school supplies when no viable options are available.
- Legal Support that provides individuals with court accompaniment, assistance accessing legal aid services, and help with diverse legal issues including restraining orders, child custody, and immigration. Staff maintain a weekly presence in the Woburn and Malden District Courts and work closely with the victim witness advocate program run by the Middlesex County District Attorney's Office. SAFER (Survivors of Abuse Feeling Empowered for Re-Entry) Program designed to provide support and resources to detainees and inmates in the Suffolk County House of Corrections.
- Children's Services that help parents to meet their children's education, health care and outof-school needs. RESPOND also leads parenting groups, literacy activities, and works to improve prenatal care.
- High Risk Assessment Teams designed to minimize harm or lethality to survivors of high risk domestic abuse cases by providing a multidisciplinary approach to coordinate a community response including: immediate crisis interventions and long-term stabilization of survivors of domestic violence and identifying, monitoring and containing high risk offenders. RESPOND is the lead agency of the Somerville High Risk Assessment Team, Stoneham High Risk Assessment Team, Malden High Risk Assessment Team and Co-founder of the

- Cambridge, Arlington and Belmont Team, all of which cover a total of 15 municipalities.
- Outreach and Education Activities through which RESPOND addresses the root causes of domestic violence via community education and outreach initiatives designed to raise public awareness about domestic violence, educate the community to recognize signs of abuse and promote healthy relationships. Staff commonly provide training for law enforcement officials, healthcare professionals, local civic and religious groups, high school and college students and other human service providers.
- RESPOND has a Civilian Certified Domestic
 Violence Counselor embedded in five Police
 Department. This partnership allows RESPOND
 to work directly with victims identified through
 Malden, Melrose, Wakefield, Reading and
 Woburn PD contact (police calls) and allows us
 to offer information and support related to
 restraining orders and a variety of needs related
 to domestic abuse. On-site, the Certified
 Domestic Violence Counselor can refer to any of
 RESPOND's programs or another suitable
 resource in real time, in a safe, accessible
 environment.

Emergency Shelter:

Emergency Shelter has been the cornerstone of RESPOND's services since the agency's founding in 1974. Safe, confidential shelter remains a critically necessary last resort for survivors of domestic violence in grave danger with no other resources or available supports. RESPOND's emergency shelter location is kept confidential to ensure the safety of program participants. Services are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

RESPOND's eight-bedroom home is one of the few domestic violence shelters that is wheelchair accessible and ADA approved. Its spacious Children's Learning Center offers a safe, colorful play space and programs that promote learning, encourage parental involvement, and connect children and teens to local inand out-of-school enrichment activities. The average length of stay for residents is 4 months. RESPOND is proud to accept women and men (or any gender identity) into shelter as well as parents with teenage boys – a rarity in Massachusetts.

Service Hours: Business office hours M-F: 9am-5pm; Programs and Services staff available 24/7 via hotline

Requirements & Restrictions: RESPOND is a Domestic Violence Survivor service provider, not a batterer intervention program.

Waiting Time: None

Languages: English, Spanish, Amharic, Portuguese,

Haitian Creole

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Somerville Homeless Coalition

See in Category: Other Groups

Somerville Homeless Coalition, Shelter Services

Phone (Adult Shelter): 617-623-2546
Phone (Family Shelter): 617-776-6661
www.somervillehomelesscoalition.org/programs/shelte
rs/

Services:

Adult Shelter: The adult shelter has 16 beds for individuals (12 male, 4 female), set up dormitory-style with four beds per room. It is a "dry" shelter, meaning guests may not use drugs or alcohol while staying there. Guests are assigned to a case worker to assist them with accessing and obtaining permanent housing.

People may self-refer to the shelter by calling the shelter, 617-623-2546, to get on the waiting list, leaving a message that they are looking for a bed and provide their name, phone number. You must call every day to stay on the waiting list.

Guests may stay until they get into permanent housing, as long as they follow the rules of the shelter and work with their case manager.

<u>Family Shelter:</u> Opened in 1987 in East Somerville, our shelter serves five families at a time. Case management, housing search, referrals to community resources, and child-care activities are among the many services we offer.

Access to the Family Shelter is ONLY through the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD). Call 617-551-1700 or visit DHCD at 80 Everett Ave. in Chelsea to apply for Emergency Assistance (EA) Shelter Benefits.

Service Hours: Check-in: 4pm; Check-out: 8am

Other Locations:

<u>Adult Shelter:</u> 14 Chapel Street, Somerville, MA 02144 <u>Family Shelter:</u> 59 Cross Street, Somerville, MA 02145

Requirements & Restrictions: No walk-ins please.

Storage space is limited. Must be sober and clean. Must place earnings into a savings account. Mandatory drug tests, curfews, and chores.

Waiting Time: See above.

Languages: English

Southampton Street Shelter

112 Southampton St. Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-534-2881

www.bphc.org/whatwedo/homelessness/homelessservices/Pages/locations.aspx

Services: The male-only shelter, located on 112 Southampton Street in the Newmarket district of the South End, is a state-of-the-art facility that opened in June 2015. The shelter allocates beds on a first-come, first-served basis. At full capacity, the shelter holds over 400 nightly guests.

Men looking for shelter for the evening will be searched, screened, and given admission.

The shelter is open 24 hours a day, all year round. If no beds available, transport to another shelter will be provided.

St. Francis House See in Category: Food

The Network – La Red See in Category: LGBTQ+

Women's Lunch Place See in Category: Women

Substance Use

Adcare

14 Beacon Street, Suite 801 Boston, MA 02108

Boston Outpatient Services: 617-227-2622 Boston@adcare.com; www.adcare.com/

Services: Services include: Outpatient Substance Abuse Treatment, Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP), Individual Counseling, Group Therapy, and Family Counseling. Same day/next day appointments. Call the office to schedule a meeting.

Service Hours: M – F: 8:30am – 8pm **Other Locations**: <u>Outpatient Services</u>:

- 1419 Hancock St.
 Suite 201
 Quincy, MA 02169
 617-328-0639
- 95 Lincoln St.
 Worcester, MA 01605
 508-799-9000 x3056
- 88 Faunce Corner Rd.
 N. Dartmouth MA 02747
 508-999-1102
- 400 Bald Hill Rd.
 Suite 517
 Warwick, Rhode Island 02886
 401-732-1500
- 117 Park Ave.
 Suite 100
 W. Springfield, MA 01089
 413-209-3124

Requirements & Restrictions: Must be 18 or older.

AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Alcoholics Anonymous

Phone (English): 617-426-9444
Phone (Spanish or Portuguese): 617-623-1570
www.aaboston.org/

Services: Information on alcohol abuse and treatment.

Meetings and hotline available.

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 9pm; Weekends and

holidays: 12pm - 9pm
Other Locations:

Lowell, MA

Phone: (978) 957-4690

Worcester, MA

Phone: (508) 752-9000

Languages: English, Spanish, Portuguese

Bay Cove Human Services

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bay State Community Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Boston Public Health Commission: Father Friendly Initiative

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Men's Health and Recovery Program

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Mom's Project/Women's Health & Recovery

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Rescue Mission

See in Category: Other Groups

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

302 Eustis Street Roxbury, MA 02119

For Outpatient: 617-445-1123 x300

For Men: 617-445-7411 x111 For Women: 617-445-1123 x321 Fax (For Men): 617-541-0844 Fax (For Women): 617-541-1882

news@casaesperanza.org; www.casaesperanza.org/

Who to Contact: Doly Encarnacion, Behavioral Health

Practice Coordinator (For outpatient)

Services: Casa Esperanza offers integrated bilingual/bicultural treatment to adult men and women, and women with children, with a history of substance abuse. Services offered include:

- Substance abuse counseling and case management
- Anger management
- HIV Counseling
- Pro-Social activities
- Parenting Education
- "Thinking for a Change" group
- Substance abuse, mental health, and trauma groups

- Access to suboxone, vivitrol, and nicotine replacement therapy to manage cravings
- Supported Employment Services
- Recovery Coaching
- Reentry Case Management
- On-site primary care medical and psychiatry services

Service Hours:

Residential: 24 hours

<u>Outpatient Services</u>: Mon. – Fri., and Sat.: 8:30am – 8:30pm, by appointment only. Mon. - Fri. 9am - 12pm, walk-ins welcome.

Requirements & Restrictions: Must meet the following criteria-

- Have a history of chemical dependency
- Willing/able to participate in treatment and abide by program rules
- Have interpersonal skills necessary to function in group settings
- For outpatient services, must not have medical impairments or conditions that would prevent utilization of services, or is not stabilized on medications
- Have no severe suicidal, homicidal or acute mood symptoms/thought disorders which require a more intensive level of care

Waiting Time: Varies by program Languages: Spanish, English

CASPAR, Inc.

240 Albany Street Cambridge, MA 02139 Phone: 617-661-0600 Fax: 617-492-3939 www.casparinc.org

Services: CASPAR (Cambridge And Somerville Program for Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Rehabilitation) is a community-based non-profit organization founded in 1970 in response to growing community need for substance abuse treatment.

<u>FirstStep:</u> The FirstStep Street Outreach program offers life-saving alternatives to unsheltered homeless men and women who are affected by substance abuse, mental illness and medical complications associated with life on the streets.

Emergency Service Center: The Emergency Service Center (ESC) is one of three shelters in Massachusetts that accept homeless people who are actively using

alcohol and drugs. At the ESC clients receive medical and mental health care, nutritional food, personal hygiene supplies, clean clothes, counseling, case management, and employment, housing, and treatment referrals in an environment that is welcoming and safe. The ESC provides a 24-hour shelter, 365 days a year to residents of Cambridge and Somerville.

Residential Programs: Our residential programs are designed to help individuals maintain sobriety, while developing skills they'll need when they transition to the "real world."

Requirements & Restrictions:

- For residents of Cambridge or Somerville.
 May be eligible if resident of Cambridge or Somerville before incarceration.
- Services meant for people that struggle with substance abuse addiction.

Waiting Time: First come, first served basis

Languages: English, Spanish

Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Entre Familia

See in Category: Women

Gavin Foundation

70 Devine Way Boston, MA 02127 Phone: 617-268-5000 www.gavinfoundation.org/

Who to Contact: Barbara Samek, Clinical Vice President Services: The Gavin Foundation operates more than a dozen adult and youth programs independently or in collaboration with other agencies. See more information below and on the website.

Residential Programs

- The Charlestown Recovery House, Gavin House and Hamilton House are residential treatment programs for adult men seeking to recover from effects of alcohol and drug abuse.
- The Cushing House provides stabilizing residential treatment for substance abusing young men and women age 16-20 who can

- function in the community and who have family or guardians engaged in their care.
- The Graduate Centers provide longer term residential support in the recovery process.

Community Programs

- AAWOL is an in-depth study of AA's Twelve Steps to Recovery.
- Center for Recovery Services offers assessment and individual and group outpatient treatment for individuals struggling with substance use, abuse and addiction.
- Devine Recovery Center is a peer-to-peer community center for individuals in recovery, age 18 and up. The center's mission is to provide a place of support and recreation for persons in recovery from various types of addiction.
- Acute Treatment and Clinical Stabilization Services in Quincy (ATS/CSS) is a 64-bed healthcare facility that provides Acute Treatment Services (Detox) and Clinical Stabilization Services to adults struggling with alcohol and/or drugs, including heroin and prescription drugs.
- Re-Entry Program provides re-entry substance abuse screening, assessment, referrals and treatment for men and women leaving prisons and jails and on parole in the Boston and Greater Boston area.
- Total Immersion Program (TIP) provides an alternative to incarceration with clear limits and expectations on probationers.

Prevention Programs

The Walsh Center is a community center and gym that serves as a safe environment for kids and teens in the community to play sports, do homework, and be informed about avoiding substance abuse and peer pressure.

Collaboration Programs

- Access to Recovery (ATR) serves individuals in the Boston area involved with the criminal justice system and affected by substance use.
- Substance Abuse Program at the Boston Public Schools was established in partnership with the Counseling Intervention Center, Ostiguy High and Ed Options to provide critical counseling services to Boston Public School students.

William J. Ostiguy High School provides a safe, sober and supportive school environment in which youth in recovery can develop skills and strengths needed for personal, academic, vocational and community success.

Other Locations:

Gavin Foundation

13 North 6th Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Gavin Foundation

101 Pleasant Street, Suite 101 Worcester, MA 01609

Geiger Gibson Community Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Helpline, MA Substance Abuse Information and **Education**

Helpline: 1-800-327-5050 www.helplinema.org/

Services: Free and confidential referrals for alcohol and other drug abuse problems and related concerns.

Service Hours: M - F 8am- 10pm, S&S 8am-6pm Languages: Language interpreters available

Hope House

8 Farnham Street Boston, MA 02119

Phone (Addiction Services): 617-971-9360 Fax (Addiction Services): 617-971-9366 Phone (Outpatient Services): 617-971-9370 Fax (Outpatient Services): 617-971-9366 paul@hopehouseboston.org; www.hopehouseboston.org/

Who to Contact: Front Desk

Services: Hope House Residential Treatment Program is a 95-bed recovery home for male alcoholics and substance abusers located in Boston's Roxbury neighborhood. The Program consists of two main phases and an aftercare component:

The 21-day program – clients remain close to the program meeting with their Primary Counselor several times per week to develop a plan for the remainder of their treatment. Clients will attend several groups per day during the 21-day program to assist with identifying long term treatment needs and goals.

The work program – upon completion of the 21-day program clients will begin job searching. During the work program clients will begin to work on the

identified needs and goals from the 21 day program. Clients will develop community resources and supports that will assist with achieving and maintaining recovery. As a condition of Phase II, all clients with income must pay a program fee in the form of rent at \$119 per week or \$17 per day.

Aftercare Group – upon completion of the Program clients have access to a weekly Aftercare Group. This group provides peer support around the transition from treatment to more independent living situations, assists to identify roadblocks in the process, identify available community resources, and maintains a connection to the Hope House Treatment Program in the weeks following completion of the program.

Hope House also offers programs for outpatient services, housing needs, outreach efforts, and professional development. Contact Hope House for more information.

Requirements & Restrictions: Varies by program.

Institute for Health and Recovery – Project Promise
See in Category: Women

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

Toll-free and Confidential Help Line: 1-855-491-4567 www.ma-atr.org/

Services: Access to Recovery (ATR) is a government-funded program in Massachusetts that gives adults in early recovery from substance use disorders (SUDs) wider access to a full range of community services that can help them be successful in their recovery. ATR operates in four cities: Boston, Springfield, Worcester and New Bedford. ATR provides services through vouchers to help participants on the road to recovery. The 6-month program supports recovery with four types of services paid for via vouchers:

- 1. Individualized Recovery Coaching
- Basic needs purchases (e.g. transportation passes, clothing, hygiene products, government ID cards/driver's license, cell phones, gym membership,children's products like stroller, car seat, etc.)
- 3. Career Building Initiative (CBI) to help participants explore careers, become more employable, and to find a job. CBI participants are able to enroll in job readiness programs and occupational training programs focused on CORI (Criminal Offender Record Information)-friendly

jobs. Participants can receive Work Study Benefits (WSBs) of \$8 per hour for every session hour they attend during a training program.

4. *Care Coordination* though an ATR Coordinator to tie all the pieces together.

Service Hours: Help Line: Mon. - Thur. 9am - 4pm

(excluding holidays)

Other Locations:

In Greater Springfield, contact:

IHR (Institute for Health & Recovery)

155 Maple Street, Suite 304

Springfield, MA 01105

Fax: (413) 301-6173

ATR Coordinator: Jackie Segarra (617) 845-6403 ATR Coordinator: Paul Alves (413) 237-0049

For the Downtown Boston Office, contact:

IHR (Institute for Health & Recovery)

105 Chauncy Street, Suite #602

Boston, MA 02111 Fax: (617) 661-7277

ATR Coordinator: Patricial Exilus (617) 645-7668 ATR Coordinator: Raymond Joyner (617) 999-9055 Client Services Coordinator: Stella Stewart (617) 849-

6994 (New Intakes Only)

For the South Boston Office, contact:

Gavin Foundation 70 Devine Way

South Boston, MA 02127

Fax: (857) 496-0266

ATR Coordinator: Stephen Steele (857) 496-7339 ATR Coordinator: Rebecca Reilly (857) 496-734 ATR Coordinator: Kathy Curley (857) 496-7343

In New Bedford, contact:

Gavin Foundation 13 North 6th Street

New Bedford, MA 02740

Fax: (774) 328-9075

ATR Coordinator: Jenny Baker (508) 742-6640

In Worcester, contact:

Gavin Foundation

101 Pleasant Street, Suite #101

Worcester, MA 01609

Fax: (508) 459-9112

ATR Coordinator: John Abbott (508) 459-9645

Requirements & Restrictions: PARTICIPANTS CANNOT REFER THEMSELVES. ATR participants must already be

working with a professional in the recovery community before being referred to ATR. Referrals can come from a case manager (or some other staff person) in the recovery community who plans to work with the ATR participant during the 6-month program. Preference is given to authorized referral portals. The types of organizations usually making referrals include: drug courts; recovery homes/long-term residential treatment programs; medication-assisted treatment (MAT) providers (Suboxone, Vivitrol, Methadone); outpatient treatment providers; and, behavioral health providers.

Network of Care (Massachusetts)

admin@trilogyir.com; www.massachusetts.networkofcare.org/mh/services/in dex.aspx

Services: Comprehensive online directory to find resources and services to help with mental health, substance use, and social service needs.

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

New England Forensic Associates

See in Category: Sex Offenders

New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous

Phone: 1-866-NA-HELP-U (1-866-624-3578) www.nerna.org/

Services: This website and hotline contain information about Narcotics Anonymous in New England for those struggling with an addition to narcotics. NA meetings are held across Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and are searchable on the website by meeting time, location, language, age group, and more. Check the website or call the hotline for up to date information about current meetings.

Service Hours: Hotline is 24/7; Meetings as listed on website

Languages: English, Spanish. Literature is also available upon request in over 60 languages.

Out For Good, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Oxford House for Women

See in Category: Women

Parole Regional Reentry Centers

See in Category: Other Groups

Right Turn

440 Arsenal Street Watertown, MA 02472 Phone: (781) 646 3800 Fax: (781) 646 3188

info@right-turn.net; www.right-turn.net/

Services: Right Turn's mission is to transform lives impacted by addiction with creative arts therapies and proven, evidence-based, comprehensive, and personalized behavioral healthcare. See list of services and therapies below. Brochure available at www.rightturn.net/right_turn_brochure.pdf. Call for more information.

Clinical Services:

- Extended Care Housing Program for Men
- Intensive Outpatient Program
- Intervention
- Medication Assisted Treatment
- Outpatient Services
- Family Services

Complementary Therapies:

- Art Therapy
- Music Therapy
- Journaling
- Wellness
- Drumming
- Right Turn LIVE! Sober Cafe
- Alumni Community
- Del Fuegos Music Room & Studio
- Yoga

Rosie's Place

See in Category: Women

Salvation Army Social Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Victory Programs Inc.

See in Category: Housing

Wyman Community Reentry Program

See in Category: Other Groups

Support Groups

AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bay State Community Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC)

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Men's Health and Recovery Program

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bridge Over Troubled Waters

See in Category: Other Groups

Cambridge Sharing Circle

Phone: 617-642-1615 office@fmcquaker.org;

www.fmcquaker.org/community/committees-and-

groups/

Who to Contact: Patricia Wild

Services: Every Wednesday at 6:00 pm the formerly incarcerated and those who care about them meet for

dinner and sharing. For more information

contact office@fmcquaker.org with subject "attn.

Patricia Wild".

Service Hours: W: 6pm – 9pm

Languages: English

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Commonwealth Center for Consultation & Psychotherapy – Psychological Services

See in Category: Sex Offender

EMERGE (Batterer's Intervention)

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Gamblers Anonymous

Phone: 1-855-222-5542 isomain@gamblersanonymous.org; www.gamblersanonymous.org/ga/

Services: Hotline for referrals to meetings throughout

Massachusetts.

Service Hours: 24/7

Gavin Foundation

See in Category: Substance Use

Greater Love Tabernacle, Inc.

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

Hope House

See in Category: Substance Use

Hour House Boston, Incorporated

See in Category: Other Groups

International Foundation for Gender Education (IFGE)

See in Category: LGBTQ+

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Mothers for Justice and Equality

See in Category: Women

Moving Steps Foundation

See in Category: Women

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

New England Forensic Associates

See in Category: Sex Offenders

New England Region of Narcotics Anonymous

See in Category: Substance Use

Out For Good, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Parents Helping Parents/Parental Stress Line

See in Category: Families

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Roxbury Multi-Service Center

See in Category: Other Groups

The Network – La Red

See in Category: LGBTQ+

Three65DAD INC. (365DAD)

See in Category: Families

Tiffany Club of New England

See in Category: LGBTQ+

United Way's 211 Helpline

See in Category: Hotlines

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Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA)

10 Park Plaza Suite 3910 Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-222-3200

Toll-free: 1-800-392-6100 TTY: 617-222-5146 www.mbta.com/

Who to Contact: Customer Support Services

Services: The MBTA operates the greater Boston public transportation system. The MBTA no longer uses tokens. The system now uses a plastic CharlieCard or paper CharlieTicket.

Information on special rates for Seniors and Disabled/Handicapped, higher fares which may apply to longer distances, Commuter Rail passes or single rides, MBTA Boat tickets and passes, and the purchase of annual passes can be obtained at many subway stations or from the website. At locations where purchasing a ticket is not possible, a commuter may be able to pay on the bus or train; a surcharge may apply.

For travel information, schedules, comments, or complaints:

- Visit the website www.mbta.com
- Call toll free: 1-800-392-6100 (Deaf or Hard of Hearing: TTY 617-222-5146)

Schedules and maps can also be obtained at many subway stations.

Service Hours: See website for T, bus, and commuter rail hours

Languages: Website information offered in: Arabic, Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Portuguese, Russian, Spanish, Swedish

Massachusetts Dept. of Transportation, Registry of Motor Vehicles Division (RMV)

136 Blackstone Street (Main Office)
Boston, MA 02109
Phone (From area codes 339, 617, 781, and 857, or from outside Massachusetts): 857-368-8000
Phone (From all other Massachusetts area codes): 800-858-3926

TTY: 800-858-3926 www.massrmv.com

Who to Contact: Customer Assistance

Services: The Registry of Motor Vehicles provides licenses or permits required to own or operate a vehicle in Massachusetts. Documentation required for many transactions are:

- 1. A valid Social Security card or a valid passport.
- 2. Three pieces of identification which will establish date of birth, proof of signature and Massachusetts residency.

To replace a lost license or ID: Complete the appropriate form obtained at the RMV office or from the web site. The replacement fee is \$25. However, you may be able to renew your license now if you are within one year of your expiration date.

To renew a license: To renew your license, complete a Class D, M, or D/M License and ID Card Application. This form is available at any RMV branch or you may download it from the Download Forms section of the RMV website. Bring the completed form, the \$50 renewal fee, and required documentation to any RMV full service office or license express.

If your license expired less than 4 years ago, you will have to pass the vision test and present the documentation in (1) and, possibly, proof of Massachusetts residency.

To obtain a new Massachusetts ID: If you are 21 or older and do not hold a Massachusetts Driver's license, you can obtain a Massachusetts Liquor ID. The fee is \$25. If you are at least 16 years old, but under 21, and do not have a Massachusetts Driver's license, you can obtain a Massachusetts ID. The fee is \$25. You will have to present the documentation listed above in (1) and (2). Follow the instructions on the 'Obtaining a Massachusetts ID'

(http://www.massrmv.com/rmv/license/13bMAID.htm) webpage on the RMV website for specific instructions.

The Registry of Motor Vehicles allows staff from Parole Re-entry Centers (RRC) to substantiate documentation required to obtain a Massachusetts ID for individuals who have served time in Massachusetts facilities and who are in the DOC/HOC databank. Parole re-entry staff will then take the returning citizen to the RMV office and work with the registry staff until an ID is approved. There is a \$25 fee for the ID.

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The Quincy Parole Board's Regional Re-entry Center can be contacted at 617-376-6260. The Center covers Brighton, Dorchester, Cambridge, Charlestown, Chelsea, East Boston, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Hyde Park, Roslindale, Roxbury, West Roxbury, Brookline, North End, South End, Somerville, Everett, Revere, Winthrop, Malden, and Milton.

Call the RMV at 857-368-8000 (for those outside Massachusetts or in area codes 339, 617, 781, or 857) or 800-858-3926 (for all other Massachusetts area codes not listed above)

Service Hours: M - F: 9am - 5pm

Other Locations:

Revere

9c Everett Street, Revere, MA

Open M – F: 8am – 5pm

Watertown, In the Watertown Mall

550 Arsenal Street, Watertown, MA

Open M – W and F: 9am – 5pm and Th: 10am – 6pm

Roslindale

4210 Washington Street, Boston, MA

Open M - F: 9am - 5pm

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

Straight Ahead Ministries

See in Category: Faith-Based Organizations

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Bay State Community Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Boston Rescue Mission

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Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Geiger Gibson Community Health Center See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Harvard Street Neighborhood Health Center See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

HomeStart, Inc.

See in Category: Housing

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

Massachusetts Department of Veterans' Services

600 Washington Street. 7th Floor Boston, MA 02111 Phone: 617-210-5480

Fax: 617-210-5755

MDVS@vet.state.ma.us; www.mass.gov/veterans/

Who to Contact: Local Veterans' Services Officer

Services:

<u>Financial and Medical Assistance:</u> Under Chapter 115 of Mass. General Laws, the Commonwealth provides a program of financial and medical assistance for indigent veterans and their dependents.

Bonuses and Annuities: A one-time bonus payment for service during wartime and an annuity in the amount of \$2,000 for certain veterans and their spouses, as well as Gold Star Parents.

<u>Mission Direct Vet:</u> Mission Direct Vet is a jail diversion program that provides services and treatment to veterans as an alternative to incarceration.

<u>Tax and Motor Vehicles</u>: Veterans are allowed certain tax exemptions and motor vehicle benefits such as license plates, excise tax exemptions, and vehicle registration exemptions.

<u>Pension Program:</u> The Pension Program provides elderly veterans or eligible spouses with assistance in applying for VA Non-Service Connected Pensions and/or Chapter 115 benefits.

<u>Family Benefits:</u> State and federal veterans' benefits are available to the dependents (spouse, children, and parents) of eligible veterans.

<u>Guard and Reserve:</u> An assortment of information, questions, and answers that may help recently called-up Guard and Reserve members and their families.

<u>Federal Benefits and Services:</u> The federal government offers benefits, services, and programs for veterans and their families, as well as members of the Reserve Component.

<u>Financial Education Resources:</u> Online resources to help veterans, service members, and families with finances.

The federal Veterans' Administration for benefits information can be reached at 1-800-827-1000. They also have a web site with useful information at www.va.gov. For VA health eligibility, call 1-877-222-8387.

Service Hours: Monday-Friday, 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM Closed on state holidays

New England Center and Home for Veterans

17 Court Street Boston, MA 02108 Phone (Services): 617-371-1800

Fax (Services): 617-371-1800
Fax (Services): 617-371-1771
Phone (Case Management): 617-371-1824
info@nechv.org; www.nechv.org/

Services: Located in Downtown Boston and offering services throughout the region, NECHV supports Veterans with innovative services that enable success, meaningful employment, and dignified independent living.

<u>Veterans Training School (VTS):</u> With the goal of assisting Veterans obtain and retain competitive employment, the VTS team helps Veterans develop the skills necessary to re-enter the civilian workforce with confidence. The VTS team provides:

- Employment Services: skills assessment, goal setting, job matching, resume writing assistance, certified returning citizen employment specialist
- Employment Support: transportation, interview preparation, professional dress
- Education and Training: computer sciences, professional skill building, vocational workshops, life skill courses

<u>Supportive Services:</u> The Center provides a community of support. It provides an accommodating and supportive community that interrupts the downward

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cycle of hopelessness that can so often accompany being without a home. The Center seeks to mitigate and eliminate the disruption and disability that homelessness creates. It provides a home, meals, and connection to the community, resources, a sense of identity and a path to a better future.

Human Services Programs:

- Veteran 360 Programs
- Supportive Services for Veteran Families (SSVF)
- Veteran Recovery
- Veteran Case Management
- Women Veterans Support Program
- Senior Veteran Wellness Program

Housing Program:

- Emergency Housing
- Transitional Housing
- Separate Female Transitional Housing
- Permanent Housing On-Site
- Housing Advocacy
- Safe Haven

Medical Care:

- Boston Healthcare for the Homeless

Service Hours: Services open 24/7, Office hours are M – F: 9am – 5pm

Requirements & Restrictions: The Center welcomes any person who has served this county in uniform regardless of military branch, time served, or discharge status.

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, IRIS

Phone, VA Benefits: 1-800-827-1000 24/7 Crisis Hotline: 1-800-273-8255 (Press 1) 24/7 Crisis Hotline (TTY): 1-800-799-4889 www.iris.custhelp.com/

Services: The Inquiry Routing & Information System (IRIS), maintained by the U.S. VA, contains a list of toll-free numbers for contacting the Department related to various veterans' issues. Visit the website link for a complete listing of toll-free phone numbers. IRIS is also a secure messaging system that can be used to message inquiries to the VA.

V.A. Boston Healthcare System for Women Veterans
See in Category: Women

Veterans Legal Services

P.O. Box 8457 Boston, MA 02114 Office Phone: 857-317-4474 Fax: 844-621-2797

www.veteranslegalservices.org/

Services: Veterans Legal Services is a non-profit organization offering free legal advice and representation to homeless and low-income veterans in the Boston area.

Veterans Legal Services serves over 500 clients per year at legal clinics located in service centers. Legal issues handled are primarily in the following areas: Family Law/Domestic Relations, Landlord/Tenant, Public Housing, CORI/Criminal Records, Consumer Debt, Public Benefits, State and Federal Veterans' Benefits. Veterans Legal Services does not handle the following: Labor, Dept. of Children & Families Cases, Fee Generating Matters, and Criminal Law.

Service Hours: M - F 9am - 5pm

Other Locations: Services are available through the following legal clinics for low-income veterans only. Please call our office for eligibility screening and to check clinic dates and times.

<u>Bedford Veterans Affairs Medical Center</u>- By appointment only. Approximately every 6 weeks. 200 Springs Road, Building 80, Bedford, MA.

<u>Chelsea Soldiers' Home</u>- Walk-in. Most alternating Mondays, 10:30 a.m., 91 Crest Avenue, Chelsea, MA.

New England Center & Home for Veterans- Walk-in. Most Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. 17 Court Street (Government Center), Boston, MA.

Norfolk County Veterans Treatment Court- For veterans participating in the Veterans Treatment Court only. Usually the first Tuesday of each month. 631 High Street, Dedham, MA.

Weather Cancellation Policy- Clinics are not held if Boston Public Schools are closed due to inclement weather.

WilmerHale Legal Services Center of Harvard Law School

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AIDS Action Committee

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bay State Community Services

See in Category: Other Groups

Boston Public Health Commission: Healthy Baby/Healthy Child

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Boston Public Health Commission: Mom's Project/Women's Health & Recovery

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Bristol Lodge Women's Shelter

See in Category: Shelters

The Cambridge Women's Center

46 Pleasant Street Cambridge, MA 02139

Office: 617-354-6394

Helpline: 617-354-8807 info@cambridgewomenscenter.org; www.cambridgewomenscenter.org/

Services: The Women's Center offers extensive FREE services to women. They provide direct services in a number of areas and will help point women to other local programs if needed. They have a wide array of support groups, classes, and workshops; two computer labs; and special offerings for survivors of child sexual abuse. In a comfortable house, women and their children can come in 10am-8pm weekdays and 10am-3pm Saturdays. Visitors can use a phone, the kitchen, which includes food donations, a library, and more. They offer an extensive information, resources, and referral system, as well as provide crisis intervention and peer support counseling for women in crisis though a Helpline and in-person at the Center.

Service Hours: M - F: 10am - 8pm; Sat 10am - 3pm

Requirements & Restrictions: The Center is for women, and those who identify and live as women, and children (boys up to 14 years accompanied by mother or caretaker).

Languages: English; volunteers speak other languages as well, and we have a Spanish/English language exchange and an ESL class.

Casa Esperanza, Inc.

See in Category: Substance Use

Casa Myrna

See in Category: Domestic Violence

Daniel Driscoll-Neponset Health Center

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Entre Familia

209 River Street Mattapan, MA 02126 Phone: 617-534-2922

Fax: 617-534-7971

www.bphc.org/whatwedo/Recovery-Services/roadmap-to-recovery/Programs-and-Services/Pages/Entre-Familia.aspx

Who to Contact: Intake coordinator

Services: Residential program for the treatment of

substance use disorders.

Service Hours: 24/7

Requirements & Restrictions: Women who are interested in entering Entre Familia Program must be pregnant, post-partum, have custody of their children or in the process of gaining custody if child(ren)'s in in the custody of the department of children and families.

Institute for Health and Recovery - Project Promise

255 River St Mattapan, MA 02126 Phone: 617-414-0504

Fax: 617-534-2057

jenniferquintana@healthrecovery.org; www.healthrecovery.org/projects/project-promise/

Who to Contact: Jennifer Quintana

Services: A day treatment program serving pregnant and parenting women and their children, located at the SPARK Center, a model childcare program offering services for children and families whose lives are affected by medical, emotional and/or behavioral challenges. Promise serves pregnant /postpartum women and their children with counseling and recovery services to support parent/child.

Moms and children will receive intensive case management, peer mentoring, and will participate in trauma-informed group, dyadic, and individual treatment supporting recovery, healthy relationships, and parenting. Childcare for children up to age 5 and transportation assistance is available.

Service Hours: The day program will run for four hours a day, three days each week, with an approximate length of stay of 3 – 4 months.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Women 18 years or older
- Women who are pregnant or parenting a child under 12 months old
- Women who meet criteria for a Substance Use Disorder (DSM-5 Criteria)

La Alianza Hispana

See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

Massachusetts Access to Recovery (ATR)

See in Category: Substance Use

McGrath House

699 Massachusetts Ave Boston, MA 02118 Phone: (857) 317-6191 Fax: (857) 350-4401

Services: McGrath House is a 33-bed Community-based Residential Reentry Program for female returning citizens. Residents receive gender-specific evidence-based case management and in-house clinical services that emphasize successful reentry.

Requirements & Restrictions: Women referred by county sheriff's departments, the Massachusetts Department of Correction, the Massachusetts Parole Board, or the Massachusetts Probation Service.

Mothers for Justice and Equality

184 Dudley Street Suite 109LL Boston, MA 02119 Phone: 617-516-8086 Fax: 617-708-1026

info@mothersforjusticeandequality.org; www.mothersforjusticeandequality.org/

Who to Contact: Monalisa Smith

Services: MJE was founded by mothers who had lost children to community violence. Our founders sought to share their voice and vision to the fight against violence.

- You Matter: Personal Leadership Training, the core of MJE's educational programming
- Youth Peer Leadership program
- Workforce Readiness Initiative, provides coaching and mentoring (provided by past participants) as well as job search assistance, resume and interview prep. Mothers are

expected to secure employment and/or continue education within 12 months of enrolling in the program. Much of our current staff are past program participants and we have strong community relationships allowing us to place both adults and youth in jobs outside of the agency.

- Financial Literacy curriculum involves working with incarcerated individuals at the Suffolk County House of Corrections to expand our impact to address the needs of young adult incarcerated men coming back into the community
- MJE is leading parenting trainings for parents of youth attending The Mildred School as well as offering our Youth programming at The Mildred School and Codman Academy for Education Programs are organized under the Civic Leadership Academy, utilizing MJE's You Matter Curriculum. Classroom education is provided to groups at our main Roxbury location twice annually and at strategic partner organizations monthly throughout the year. You Matter curriculum is also incorporated into our year-round Youth Peer Leadership program.
- MJE responds to emerging needs by designing specific modules for unique populations, such as a new Homeless Teen Mothers program in partnership with area shelter services.
- Empowerment breakfasts, Corner Café Voter Engagement, an annual Mothers of Courage Award Ceremony

MJE provides services at our main location in Roxbury and also within the Suffolk County House of Corrections, in area affordable housing complexes, and at partner sites within our communities.

Waiting Time: None Languages: English

Moving Steps Foundation

15 Peckham Hill Rd Sherborn, MA 01770 Phone: 617-817-9489

atabet@movingstepsfoundation.org; www.movingstepsfoundation.org/

Who to Contact: Adrianne Tabet, Executive Director

Services: Moving Steps Foundation is a women's dance and performance organization with roots at the South

Middlesex Correctional Center in Framingham. Membership is open to formerly incarcerated women and women in addiction recover. Since attaining 501 (c)(3) status, programs have expanded to include a touring dance/performance group, company member led workshops at prisons, recovery facilities and colleges and universities in the Boston area. We offer dance/theater/story telling training, mentorship and membership in a creative, expressive and artistic community.

Service Hours: Rehearsals are usually at the Dance Complex in Cambridge on Sundays. Feel free to call for information 9am -7pm on most days.

Requirements & Restrictions: Moving Steps is open to women only.

Dance and performance experience are not required and there are no age restrictions.

An open spirit and a desire to develop and bring responsibility, collaboration, cooperation and personal agency to all areas of life are important to successful membership.

Waiting Time: None

Languages: English, Spanish

New England Center and Home for Veterans

See in Category: Veterans

On The Rise, Inc.

See in Category: Other Groups

Oxford House for Women

22 Laval St. Hyde Park, MA 02136 Phone: 617-276-3251 Fax: 617-276-3227

www.oxfordhouse.org/userfiles/file/

Services: Oxford House for Women is a sober house that is independent and that provides a peer supportive environment of women who are in recovery from drugs or alcohol.

Requirements & Restrictions:

- Recovering individuals will need to fill out an application and may then be interviewed by current house residents.
- Must have four months clean/sober time.
- Must have income (work, SSI, unemployment, other).

• Medications considered addictive or narcotic are not allowed.

Waiting Time: Varies depending on vacancies.

Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts See in Category: Physical and Mental Health

RESPOND, Inc.

See in Category: Shelters

Rosie's Place

889 Harrison Avenue Boston, MA 02118 Phone: 617-442-9322

Fax: 617-442-7825

info@rosiesplace.org; www.rosiesplace.org/

Who to Contact: Front Desk

Services: Rosie's Place is a multi-service agency for women, and a sanctuary for poor and homeless women. In addition, the staff advocates assist women with numerous problems, from understanding a letter from a government agency, to filling out an application for low income housing.

Meals/Dining Room: Breakfast is served M-F from 7:30am-8:15am. Lunch and Dinner served M-F from 11:30am-1pm and from 4:30pm-7:30pm. On weekends, Brunch is served 10:30am-12:00pm and Dinner is served 3:30pm-5:00pm.

Advocacy Food Pantry: A self-select pantry for women. Photo I.D. required. Operates Tue-F 9:00am-12:00pm and M-F 4:30pm-6:30pm or when they reach 80 guests in the morning or 40 guests in the evening. Limit: one time per month.

<u>Housing</u>: Emergency overnight shelter is available for 20 women for 21 days each and is based on a lottery. The shelter opens at 7:30am M-F and the lottery occurs at 8am on the dot. On the Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, the shelter opens at 10 am and the lottery occurs at 10 am. It is recommended that you arrive 15 minutes early for lotteries.

Rosie's Place provides access to laundry facilities (must call ahead to schedule a time); showers and shower bags; lockers – when available, there is a locker lottery every Thurs at 1:15pm.

Clothing: See an advocate during hours of operation.

<u>Adult Education</u>: English, Spanish, pre-literacy, and computer classes, and job counseling are available at no cost.

<u>Access to other services</u>: Outside agencies provide services at Rosie's. These include

- Mental Health Counselor: Tuesday 8am-12pm and Thursday 8am-4pm
- Legal Services: Monday and Tuesday 9:30am-11:30am, sign up in lobby starting at 9am
- Credit Counseling Services: Thursday 1pm
- Health/Wellness: Wellsness center is open M/T/F 8:30am-12:30pm and W/Th 9am-12pm
- AA meetings: Wednesdays 3:30pm,in 2nd floor workspace
- HomeStart housing search assistance Tuesdays and Thursdays at 1pm

Rosie's also runs a CORI clinic at our Norfolk location 10 John Square at 9am, and Consumer Debt clinic with attorneys from Ropes and Gray at our main location at 9am on Thursdays.

Service Hours: Hours vary by program. Call Front Desk for details or see above descriptions

Requirements & Restrictions: Women and anyone who self-identifies as a woman.

Target population: homeless and low-income women

Waiting Time: Varies

Languages: English, Spanish, Haitian Creole, Portuguese, Cape Verdean Creole, and Chinese. Language Line available for other languages.

V.A. Boston Healthcare System for Women Veterans

150 South Huntington Avenue Boston, MA 02130 Phone: 857-364-4027 Fax: 857-364-4427

Carolyn.MasonWholley@va.gov;

www.boston.va.gov/services/women/index.asp

Who to Contact: Coordinator

Services: These programs are part of the federal Veterans' Administration Healthcare System:

Women Veterans Call Center and Chat: The WVCC staff is trained to provide women Veterans, their families, and caregivers about VA services and resources. The call is free, and you can call as often as you like until you have the answers to your questions. The Call Center is available Mon. – Fri. 8am – 10pm ET, and on Saturdays from 8am – 6:30pm ET. There is also a chat function available during the same hours. Contact: 1-855-829-6636

<u>Trust House</u>: Trust (Transitional Residence Utilizing Support and Treatment) House is a therapeutic residential program that offers secure and affordable housing along with a communal atmosphere in a treatment-focused setting in Jamaica Plain. The residence is home for seven women veterans and two house managers. Each resident participates fully in the daily operations of the house (including food shopping, cleaning, gardening, laundry, and cooking). The TRUST House specializes in the treatment of women with PTSD as well as depression, substance abuse, anxiety, dissociation, and homelessness. Contact (For all mental health and substance abuse services): 800-865-3384 Ext. 61778

Women's Comprehensive Primary Care and Gynecology: High quality and convenient health care for women veterans all throughout the greater Boston area. Services include:

- Care for acute and chronic illness
- Gender-specific primary care (based on your stage of life):
- Birth control counseling and prescriptions
- Routine breast exams and pap smears
- Menopause management and counseling
- Preventive services
- Coordination of care including referral to: specialty clinics, mammography, bone density, ultrasound, menopause treatment

Contact: 800-865-3384 Hours: Mon. – Fri. 8am – 4pm

If VA Boston Healthcare System is unable to provide a needed service, they will assist you to find the care you need elsewhere.

Service Hours: Varies by program

Other Locations:

<u>Soldier On</u>: House on the Northampton VA campus in Leeds, MA that is especially for women veterans. The program provides resident veterans with treatment and recovery from drug and alcohol addictions along with medical services.

Northampton VA Medical Center 421 North Main Street, Leeds, MA 01053-9764 413-584-4040, Ext. 2288

<u>Veterans Inc.</u>: Two housing programs in Worcester that offer alcohol and drug-free environments coupled with case management.

6 Sheridan Street, Worcester, MA 01610 508-791-3286 www.veteransinc.org

Women's Dorms at Chelsea Soldiers' Home: The Chelsea Soldiers' Home has a private and secure dormitory wing specifically for female veterans who can live in an independent setting and who require minimal assistance with the activities of daily living. For eligibility requirements and to apply, contact the Soldiers' Home.

Chelsea Soldiers' Home 91 Crest Avenue, Chelsea, MA 02150 617-884-5660 www.mass.gov/che

Lt. Pamela D. Donovan Memorial Residence for Women: A newly-renovated dormitory at the New England Shelter for Homeless Veterans. Renovated in 2007, the 16-bed dormitory has new floors, ceilings, tiling, bathroom facilities, and television room.

New England Center for Homeless Veterans 17 Court Street, Boston, MA 02108 (617) 371-1800 info@nechv.org, www.nechv.org

Requirements & Restrictions: For female veterans, V.A. eligible. If unsure of V.A. status, call for information. Walk-ins are not encouraged. Call for more information and directions.

Women's Lunch Place

67 Newbury Street Boston, MA 02116 Phone: 617-267-0200

Fax: 617-267-6803

info@womenslunchplace.org; womenslunchplace.org/

Services: The Women's Lunch Place provides a safe, comfortable daytime place, nutritious food and services for women who are homeless or poor, plus an overnight shelter. The services are provided in the spirit of respect and friendship, fostering a community committed to meeting women's needs as they themselves define them.

Services provided include:

 Food: Breakfast from 8am – 10am; Lunch from 12pm – 2pm from Monday to Saturday

- Basic necessities: Personal care items, showers, laundry facilities, nap room
- Shelter: There are 11 beds available, and the lottery for the beds occurs at 7:15 am M-Sat.
- Wellness: On-site morning medical care, cultural outings, arts therapy and celebrations
- Resource Center: Resource Center equipped with telephones, internet access, mail, Fax, Xerox, office supplies, and volunteers that can assist with employment. Mon. – Sat. 8:30am – 1:30pm.
- Individual Advocacy Program: Issues include but are not limited to: reading room, housing, employment, substance abuse, mental health, custody, immigration, benefits applications, housing stabilization, partner violence, shelter access, mail services, and referrals to legal assistance

Service Hours: Shelter: M - Sat: 7am - 2pm, Lottery at 7:15am

Requirements & Restrictions: Anyone that identifies as a woman is welcome and their children (though services are for adult women only).

Women's Transition Program, SMOC 7 Bishop Street

2nd Floor Framingham, MA 01702 pportunity Center): 508-620-26

Phone (Opportunity Center): 508-620-2690 Fax: 508-620-2310

www.smoc.org/women-transition-program.php

Who to Contact: Opportunity Center

Services: Located in the Opportunity Center, the Framingham Women's Transition Program offers a safe and supportive environment where female returning citizens can get the support they need to make a successful transition to life in the community. Program participants are assigned a case manager who will assist them in developing an Individual Service Plan (ISP) designed to meet their personal goals. For more information call the Opportunity Center at 508-620-2690.

Requirements & Restrictions: To be eligible for services, an individual must meet one of the following criteria:

Recently released from a Massachusetts
 Correctional facility (within the past 6 months).

 Currently incarcerated at a Massachusetts Correctional facility (will be released within the next 6 months).

• Currently on Probation or Parole.

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Public Email Address: Revise? Yes No		
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