



## THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER of the *Detroit Continuum of Care*

**CAM** (313) 305-0311 **Hours:** M-F 9:00am - 6:00pm, Sat 10:00am-3:00pm, Sun Closed

### CAM Changes

#### Are you homeless and need a safe place to stay tonight?

CAM can help by referring you to a local shelter program based on your needs. Go to any of the locations listed below to get started. If possible, go to the one that best applies to you.



Updated August 2, 2021

Masks are required at all locations. Masks will be provided for free if needed.

#### FAMILIES & YOUTH

Southwest Solutions Housing Resource Center **\*\*starting August 2\*\***

1600 Porter St, Detroit, MI 48216  
Monday-Friday 9am-6pm  
DDOT Route 1, Trumbull/Porter Stop

#### SINGLE ADULTS

NOAH Project **\*\*starting August 9\*\***

23 E Adams Ave, Detroit, MI, 48226  
Monday-Friday 9am-6pm  
DDOT Route 4, Woodward/Adams Stop

#### VETERANS

Healthcare for Homeless Veterans (HCHV)

4646 John R. St, Red Tower 2nd Floor, Detroit, MI, 48201  
Monday-Friday 8am-4:30pm  
DDOT Route 4, Woodward/Adams Stop

For questions, updates on your case and assistance on Saturdays please use the CAM Phone Line: **313-305-0311**  
Staff available Monday-Friday 9am-6pm and Saturday 10am-3pm

In August, **CAM** will be transitioning back to in-person services for the following populations at these locations:

#### ■ Families & Youth **8/2**

- Southwest Solutions Housing Resource Center, Detroit Mi, 48216
- M-F, 9am - 6pm

#### ■ Single Adults **8/9**

- NOAH Project
- 23 E Adams Ave, Detroit Mi 48226
- M-F, 9am - 6pm

#### ■ Veterans

- Healthcare for Homeless Veterans
- 4646 John R. St, Red Tower 2nd Floor, Detroit, MI 48201
- M-F 8am - 4:30 pm

Lines are open Saturdays from 10am - 3pm.

**Please call 313-305-0311 for assistance.**

Masks required at all locations.

Download the PDF version [here](#)

### Flood Damage in Rental Properties

It is the landlord's responsibility to move debris to the curb, clean and sanitize flood-damaged areas in their properties and ensure that the hot water tank and furnace are working properly.

July 20, BSEED began inspections and issue fines for \$250 a day to landlords who fail to respond.

*Because Detroit received a Disaster Declaration from the President:*

- Landlords may be reimbursed

# Flood Damage in Rental Properties

## LANDLORDS

- Are obligated to clean and sanitize flooded areas
- Should make sure hot water heater and furnace are working

**Starting July 20,**  
BSEED will inspect and levy  
**\$250 daily fines** for landlords  
who don't comply



- for clean-up costs and repairs
- Renters may be reimbursed for property lost in the flood
- Personal items may be reimbursable through FEMA funding.
- Take photos of damages and save any receipts you have for cleaning out your basement.

More information available [here](#).

## 2021 Advance Child Tax Credit Payments



### 2021 Advance Child Tax Credit Payments

Payments start July 15

#### Filed already?

You don't need to take any action now if you've filed a 2020 tax return.

#### Haven't filed yet?

File your tax return as soon as possible. For people not required to file a tax return and who didn't file in 2019 or 2020, quickly register using the IRS Non-filer Sign-up Tool. You may qualify for the Child Tax Credit and Economic Impact Payments.

■ Eligible families can receive advance payments of **up to \$300 per month** for each child under age 6 and **up to \$250 per month** for each child age 6 and above.

■ Payments begin July 15 and will be sent monthly through December 15 without any further action required.

■ You can benefit from the credit even if you don't have earned income or don't owe any income taxes.

■ The tax credit includes advance payments for 2021 only.

The American Rescue Plan Act Advance Child Tax Credit provisions include:

■ The maximum Child Tax Credit increased to \$3,600 for children under the age of 6 and to \$3,000 per child for children between ages 6 and 17.

■ The credit includes children who turn age 17 in 2021.

■ Taxpayers may receive part of their credit in 2021 before filing their 2021 tax return.

Eligible taxpayers who don't want to receive advance payment of the 2021 Child Tax Credit will have the opportunity to unenroll from receiving the payments.

[IRS.gov/childtaxcredit2021](https://www.irs.gov/childtaxcredit2021)



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File your tax return as soon as possible. For people not

## COVID-19 Resources

### COVID Emergency Rental Assistance (CERA)

Rental and Utility Assistance is available for residents in Detroit, Highland Park, and Hamtramck. Read more about eligibility requirements [here](#) & apply [here](#). For assistance navigating the application, call **866-313-2520**. Landlords can also apply.

### Funeral Assistance

If you paid for funeral expenses after January 20, 2020, for an individual whose death may have been caused or likely the result of COVID-19 you can apply for up to \$9,000 for funeral assistance.

Start the process by calling FEMA's COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Line at **844-684-6333**; TTY 800-462-7585, Monday-Friday, 9 AM - 9 PM ET. No online applications

required to file a tax return and who didn't file in 2019 or 2020, quickly register using the IRS Non-filer Sign-up Tool. You may qualify for the Child Tax Credit and Economic Impact Payments.

Wayne Metro offers free virtual tax preparation assistance. [Link](#)

- Help those experiencing homelessness access the expanded child tax credit and stimulus payment [here](#).
- [View a pdf of free filing resources here](#).
- Poverty Solutions at UofM created a website to learn about accessing child tax credit [here](#) and the stimulus [here](#).

\*If you haven't received a previous stimulus payment, you may be eligible for a [Recovery Rebate Credit](#). To claim the rebate, you must file a 2020 tax return. Details are available [here](#).

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## LIHTC Training Date Change

**August 25, 2021**

Each year, CEDAM hosts the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) training to help CEDAM members and other affordable housing developers and stakeholders prepare strong affordable housing project applications. The new date of the LIHTC training is August 25, 2021. Join CEDAM and our partners as we discuss the significant change to the 2022-23 Qualified Allocation Plan (QAP). During the event we will:

- Discuss changes to the QAP, including the updated scoring system
- Hear from equity investors about the status of the equity market
- Connect with funders, developers, and other affordable housing stakeholders
- Answer your LIHTC application questions

The training will be hosted in-person in Lansing, with an option to tune in virtually through our Zoom livestream. Registration information coming soon!

Go to the CEDAM [site](#) for updates.

accepted. Multilingual services available.

For more information please go to this [link](#)

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## Emergency Housing Vouchers (EHV)

The American Rescue Plan allocated \$5 billion to target specific populations to allow individuals and families to choose and lease safe, decent, and affordable housing. It is expected that individuals are housed quickly. Detroit CoC was awarded 160 vouchers from MSHDA and DHC. For information about Detroit's EHV program, please click [here](#).

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## Vaccine Resources - [Link](#)

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## Masks for Homeless Service Providers & Clients

Please complete this [form](#) to request masks and we will contact you to schedule a pickup day and time.

## Upcoming Conferences & Webinars

### SOGIE 101

**Tuesday, July 26, 2021, 1pm**



*Everyone has a unique sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression, or S.O.G.I.E. This training provides an introduction to these social identities along with best practices to enhance interpersonal and professional relationships with folks who identify as LGBTQ+ or have diverse/expansive*

S.O.G.I.E. Register [here](#)

# National Virtual Conference on Ending Homelessness

September 21-24, 2021

Register today for the National Alliance to End Homelessness's (NAEH) National Virtual Conference on Ending Homelessness.



The virtual conference will cover best and innovative practices in the field, address emerging challenges, and explore how to adapt to the increase in funding now and in the future. The four-day conference will include plenary sessions, networking, and workshops covering a range of topics including homelessness, housing, healthcare, and how to advance racial equity.

For more information and to register, click [here](#).

## NOW HIRING



Covenant House's doors are always open to all young people who need housing and help, regardless of their race, religion, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression. Our trauma-informed services help bridge the gap between potential and progress, and we also advocate for systemic

change through public policy, while promoting awareness of critical issues related to youth homelessness. Now accepting applications for:

**Shift Lead - Residential Advisor** - Click [here](#) to read the full posting and [here](#) to apply.

**Street Outreach Worker** - Click [here](#) to apply.

**Case Management Coordinator** - Apply [here](#).

## Resources & Information

### Emergency Broadband Assistance

The Emergency Broadband Benefit Program is an Federal Communications Commission (FCC) program that provides a temporary discount on monthly broadband bills for qualifying low-income households. Eligible households receive:

- Up to a \$50/month discount on broadband service and associated equipment rentals
- Up to a \$75/month discount if household on qualifying Tribal lands
- A one-time discount of up to \$100 for a laptop, tablet, or desktop computer (with a co-payment of more than \$10 but less than \$50)

**More information [here](#)**

### 2021 HIC & PIT Reports

The most recent Housing Inventory Count (HIC) and Point-in-Time (PIT) reports are

Detroit-Wayne  
Integrated Health  
Network's (DWIHN)  
**24-Hour Helpline:**

now available on HAND's [website](#).

Check for more updates on HAND's [news page](#).



**(800) 241-4949**

- DWIHN.** Take a Self Mental Health Screening [here](#)
- State of Michigan Mental Health [resources](#)
  - Virtual Support Groups - [link](#)



To submit a resource, article, event, or other CoC-related information for the upcoming newsletter click [here](#) to access a submission form. For general feedback, contact [kimberly@handetroit.org](mailto:kimberly@handetroit.org). View past newsletters [here](#).

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