



COMMUNITY RESOURCES

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Housing Assistance

****NOTE: PSC Extends Moratorium on Utility Disconnections Through Oct. 1**

On Thursday, the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC) voted 2-1 to continue to stay a portion of its June 26 order, extending the moratorium on utility residential customer disconnections and refusal of service for nonpayment until October 1.

The additional time will allow PSC staff to collect more data and information from utilities on their disconnection plans and collections, and monitor further the spread of COVID-19 in the state.

The governor originally ordered a moratorium on utility disconnections back in March, but in June the PSC lifted the temporary moratorium on utility disconnection for nonpayment. However, the PSC in July reinstated the moratorium through Sept. 1 as COVID-19 cases continued to rise in Wisconsin. Thursday's decision further extends that to Oct. 1.

In light of the extension, the PSC is still strongly urging customers to seek a payment plan with their utility or apply for energy assistance to avoid a large debt and possible disconnection when the moratorium ends.

Sunshine Place Eviction Prevention Fund

- Sunshine place has funds to help with eviction prevention or utilities.
- *Guidelines*
 1. Household must have sufficient income to pay rent/utilities.
 2. Available to anyone in Northeast Dane County
 3. Available to those effected by COVID-19 (loss of income or limited hours due to pandemic)
 4. Household have utility bill or landlord contact information respectively
 5. Assistance is provided for rent or utilities once every twelve months, but again, preference is given to first time fund users.
 6. Average grant is up to \$300.
- Contact: Janelle Vreudgenhil
- 18 Rickel Road
- (608) 825-3225

County Resources

- TRC & Dane County CARES: <https://www.tenantresourcecenter.org/danecountycares>
- WRAP (Wisconsin Rental Assistance Program): <https://www.cacscw.org/wrap/>

Community Action Coalition

- Helps chronically homeless with disabilities move towards self-sufficiency. They offer long-term case management to help participants get back on their feet.
- Contact: Angie Alcorta
- (608) 212-0267
- <https://www.cacscw.org/get-help/housing-support/dane-county/>

United Way of Dane County 2-1-1

- Helps to identify nearby emergency food options.
- Dial 2-1-1 24/7 to speak with someone
- Chat with someone online
- Visit their [website](#)

Tenant Resource Center

- The Tenant Resource Center can provide assistance with negotiating rent due dates with landlords and well as funds to pay for rent, utilities, storage, gas, groceries, buses, and communication devices.
- <https://www.tenantresourcecenter.org/>
- 608-257-0006 and ask to speak with a Housing Counselors

Porchlight, Inc

- Offers apartments and well as the DIGS program, which coordinates eviction/homelessness prevention
- <https://porchlightinc.org/>
- *MUST BE REFERRED FROM COORDINATED ENTRY HOMELESS SERVICES*
- Rent assistance: Call (608) 252-8522 on Tuesdays between 8:30am – 9:00am.

Further Resource lists -

- Housing Navigation Services: <http://housingnavigation.org/>
- Homeless Services Consortium of Dane County: <https://www.danecountyhomeless.org/get-help>

- Utility assistance, first month's rent assistance, apartment application fees: Call (608) 252-8522 on Thursdays between 8:30am – 9:00am.
- Bus tickets, medication vouchers, gas vouchers, help obtaining an ID, travel expenses: Call (608) 252-8522 on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 8:30am.

Homeless Services Consortium of Dane County

- Operates Coordinated Entry Homeless Services
- Conducts screening over the phone at (608) 826-8019 or [online](#)
- <https://www.danecountyhomeless.org/coordinated-entry>