Shelters and Transitional Housing for Single Men

Shelter and Transitional Resources Overview

Definitions
- Emergency shelter
  o Immediate shelter for one night or longer
- Transitional Housing
  o Longer duration of housing, but not permanent
  o Can have waitlists
  o May require applications, have an interview, or rent
  o May have rules and regulations to remain in program

Shelter Referral Help
Dial: 211
https://211colorado.communityos.org/cms/node/142
- Call or search the online webpage to see what shelters have availabilities for the night
- After hours, contact your local sheriff’s department for possible motel vouchers or shelter referrals

Cold Weather Resources

Severe Weather Shelter Network
- Provides access to the Severe Weather Shelter Network which provides shelter for single men, women and couples w/o children when overnight temperatures are 32°F or colder and wet, or 20°F or colder and dry.
- Walk-in to JCDHS or partner organization to register:
  o Jefferson County Dept. of Human Services
    303-271-1388
    900 Jefferson County Pkwy, Golden, CO 80401
    Hours: M-F 9 – 3:30pm
  o Mean Street Ministries
    303-232-2500
    1380 Ammons St., Lakewood, CO
    Hours: M-F 9:00am – 3:00pm
  o The Action Center
    720-407-6670
    8745 W 14th Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215
    Hours: M, Tu, W & F: 9:00 a – 2:00 pm, Thurs: 11 am – 3:30 pm

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Ask Navigation for an additional list of daytime shelters if needed.

If you notice any changes or inconsistencies with our resources, please inform Navigation to help us stay current.
• Call the hotline each morning to find out if the severe weather shelters will be open that night (hotline number given at registration); if shelter is open, either call shelter line or walk in to JCDHS or a partner organization to be added to that night’s roster.
  o Roster is first come, first served.
  o Guests are picked up at warming sites at 7:00pm and dropped off at 7:00am
  o A hot evening meal and quick breakfast with coffee are provided
• Restrictions:
  o Must pass a background check; no violent offenses against persons in the last year
  o Individuals or families may be eligible for a motel voucher if shelter space is unavailable
  o Individuals with physical disabilities that would prevent them from sleeping on the floor are not eligible and will be referred to other shelter options
  o No pets allowed

Jefferson County

The Action Center
720-407-6670
8745 W 14th Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215
http://theactioncenterco.org/
• Residents stay up to 45 days in shelter program, therefore limited availability and no waitlist
  o Intake time for shelter is in the mornings only Monday – Friday, 9:00am – 12:00pm
  o Clients must phone daily to see if there are any rooms available in the shelter program
    ▪ Messages cannot be returned for shelter availability and rooms cannot be promised
• Must pass background check with no history of violence or sex crimes; must be able to work or be currently working; must be able and willing to complete at least one chore daily; must be able to live within a diverse populations; must be able to participate in scheduled meetings, groups and workshops; must create and follow a plan to become self-sufficient; must abstain from drugs and alcohol while in the program; must be stable on medications.
• Program Service Hours: M, Tu, W & F: 9:00am – 2:00pm, Thurs: 11am – 3:30pm

Center of Hope
303-935-7746 – main
303-935-1276 – 24/7 shelter hotline
875 S Sheridan Blvd, Lakewood, CO 80227
http://www.centerofhopedenver.org/
• 1-3 day emergency shelter for men only (separate shelter for women available); hot meals and clothing with shelter stay
• Walk-in during business hours or call to schedule an intake
  o Hours: Monday – Saturday, 8:00am – 4:00pm
• No sex offenders or no one taking mood and/or mind altering medications will be accepted. Religious focus.

Family Tree Housing & Family Services
303-467-2604
3805 Marshall St. #201, Wheat Ridge, CO 80003
http://www.thefamilytree.org/es/homelessness-services/104
• How to get in: Call number above to do a phone screening, be placed on the wait list and receive referrals for immediate housing. If no one answers when calling, keep calling back until you reach a live person, don’t leave a message. They also accept walk-ins.

• Notes: Located in Jefferson County but serves all areas. Must be homeless & in a shelter before starting program. Independent apartment for singles. Wait list is 6-18 months long. Spanish speaking services.

• Hours: 9:00am - 4:00pm, Monday - Friday

**Denver County**
*Do not necessarily need to live in Denver County for services*

**Colorado Coalition for the Homeless**
303-293-2217 main
303-312-9679 Community Resources program
2100 Broadway, Denver, CO 80205
[www.coloradocoalition.org](http://www.coloradocoalition.org)

• Community Resources helps homeless individuals access services they need to end their homelessness. *This is not a shelter directly,* but the first step for someone needing to connect with other Coalition programs and resources in the community.

• Assistance with: housing, short-term case management, referrals to other agencies, payeeships, benefit applications and advocacy.
  - Arrive by 7:30am Monday – Thursday to sign up for an appointment
  - It would be helpful to bring ID, SS card and income verifications when signing up

**Denver Rescue Mission**
303-297-1815 – main
303-294-0157 – Lawrence St. Shelter
303-953-3900 – STAR program
1130 Park Ave. West, Denver, CO 80205
[https://www.denverrescuemission.org/](https://www.denverrescuemission.org/)

• Lawrence Street Shelter – offers emergency shelter for men including 200 beds and up to 100 additional cots during inclement weather. Daily chapel and Sunday church services offered for all, but not required to enjoy a meal and/or a bed.
  - Hours of Operation: Monday – Sunday, 6:00am – 12:30pm (lottery sign in), 1:00pm (lottery), 7:00pm – 8:00pm (dinner), 8:00pm – 10:00pm (unclaimed bed check-in)
  - Call or walk in to sign up for the lottery between 6:00am – 12:30pm at the Community Center (2222 Lawrence St, Denver). Lottery results posted at 1:00pm. Those not called in the lottery may begin lining up at 6:00pm for transportation to the Peoria shelter or may check in-person after 8:00pm for an unclaimed bed space at downtown shelter. Walk-ins accepted until 10:00pm or full.

• STAR Transitional Program at The Crossing – 6090 Smith Rd., Denver, CO 80216
  - Safe, affordable housing units available while working toward program goals. These include attaining stability and permanent housing through case management, emphasis on education and career goals, structure, healthy lifestyle and youth development.
o At least one STAR Transitional Program adult must have income of at least $500 per month to qualify for the program

- New Life Program for Men
  o Must be at least 18 years old, free of sex offenses and current violent charges, physically able to do chores, stocked with 30-day supply of any prescribed non-narcotic medication(s), willing to submit to random drug and alcohol testing, serious about a life change and open to the message of Christ.
  o First 30 days of program are spent in Lawrence Street Shelter in downtown Denver. From there, candidates transfer to The Crossing in northeast Denver or to Harvest Farm near Fort Collins.
  o Program candidacy may last 30 to 120 days; New Life Program can take 12 to 27 months to complete; Post-graduate programs available.

New Genesis
303-831-4910
1680 Sherman St., Denver, CO 80203
http://newgenesis.org/
- Shelter for single men, 18 years or older; acts as a sober living facility
  o Walk-in any day for shelter Intake: 4:30pm – 9:00pm
    ▪ Must have a photo ID and proof of income
- Notes: Residents must be working 32 hours a week or looking for work and attend required classes. Able to accommodate people who work nights as well as days.
  o Zero tolerance for drugs, alcohol, theft, and violence; no sex offenses.
  o Wake up time at 5:30 am, must leave by 7:15 am and can return by 4:30 pm.
  o Cost: $63 a week, fees due on Tuesday

The Salvation Army – Crossroads
720-305-4640
1901 29th St. (29th & Brighton Blvd), Denver, CO 80216
http://www.intermountain.salvationarmy.org/intermountain/crossroads
- Emergency survival shelter for homeless men that provides showers, laundry facilities, hygiene items, and medical assistance. All receive a safe place to sleep, a warm dinner, and breakfast before leaving in the morning.
- Stepping Up – an optional caseworker managed transitional program that is available to every client that includes developing a personalized action plan, working to develop skills and resources, and support self-sufficiency and stabilization.
- How to Get In: For emergency, walk in between 3pm-6pm (cold weather) or 4pm-6pm (warm weather). If walking in later than 6pm, must have paperwork that you were referred from another agency, such as a hospital or jail.
  o To rent a bed, you must be able to pay the fee of $49 a week – waitlist may apply
  o To receive a transitional room, you must work 30 + hours a week and you can walk in and ask to speak to Pastor Scott about the “Stepping Up” program.
- Cost: $49 to rent a bed in a dormitory style room with a locker, bed availability varies. For “Stepping Up” the cost is 25% of your income, not to exceed $400.

Samaritan House – Catholic Charities
303-294-0241
2301 Lawrence St., Denver, CO 80205

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Navigation Services
303-432-5130 ● navigation@jcmh.org
Offers emergency shelter, in addition to a transitional housing program

How to Get In: Call every morning at 8 am to see if there is going to be a lottery for an open bed in the transitional program. If there is, get there by 9am to sign up and the lottery will be picked at 9:30am.

Notes: Separate facilities for single men. The transitional program has zero tolerance policies with increased levels of freedom as you progress through the program. Working toward gaining an income is a requirement.

Urban Peak
303-974-2900
1630 Acoma St., Denver, CO 80223

Overnight shelter for runaway and homeless men, women and transgender individuals ages 15 up to 21 years old.
- Services: meals, showers, counseling, case management, vaccinations, HIV and pregnancy testing, health screening
- Individuals under 18 must obtain guardian permission within 24 hours of accessing the shelter

Other Counties

Do not necessarily need to live in these counties for services

Boulder Shelter for the Homeless
303-442-4646
4869 N. Broadway, Boulder, CO 80304

- Open October 1 through April 30 for winter sheltering
  - Hours of operation: 5:00pm – 10:00am (no services available 10am-5pm daily)
  - Intake is from 5:00pm – 7:00pm daily, unless other arrangements are made
- Transition Program, year-round
  - Transition Program residents work with case managers to determine what has led them to homelessness and what steps they can take to overcome their situation.
  - Residents must live drug and alcohol free, pay a weekly program fee, and abide by a budget and savings plan. Maximum stay of 9 months
  - To qualify for the program, residents must have sustainable income that can be verified and an obtainable transition plan.
  - Anyone desiring to enter the Transition Program needs to schedule an intake appointment with a shelter case manager, via the phone number above.
- Morning services at the shelter include: Breakfast, showers, access to laundry facilities, mail and phone messages from 6:00am – 8:00am, 7 days/week, year-round
- Boulder County Cares (BCC) is a street outreach program of the Boulder Shelter that helps the homeless in need. If you see a homeless person in need from October 1 to April 30, 7:00pm – 10:00pm, please call BCC cell phone at 303-358-7036 to request assistance.
  - For more info about BCC, call 303-468-4317
Cold Weather Care
303-847-9072
12505 Colorado Blvd, Thornton, CO 80241
http://www.coldweathercare.org
- Providing shelter and support to individuals and families in Adams County during cold weather seasons. Located at multiple volunteer church locations.
- Guests arrive at the host church between 6 and 7pm each evening, and leave at 7am daily (Saturdays at 8:30am) to get their kids to school, go to work or go out searching for jobs and housing.
- CWC offers assessment, service planning, referrals and advocacy. Works with guests to identify their own unique barriers to stable housing and develop an action plan to help guests move toward securing sustainable and permanent housing and work.
- For more information on entering the program call or email info@coldweathercare.org.
  - No dangerous felonies or sex offenders. No drugs, alcohol nor weapons should be brought. Must have a valid photo ID. Must be homeless.

Comitis Crisis Center
303-341-9160
2178 N. Victor St, Aurora, CO 80040
http://www.milehighbehavioralhealthcare.org/
- Emergency adult shelter ages 18+ including meals, personal hygiene kit, showers, referrals and case management services, healthcare screenings by MCPN, etc.
- Call for more information; accept walk-ins for services.

Mental Health Concerns

Colorado Coalition for the Homeless – Beacon Place
303-629-1667
3636 W. Colfax Ave., Denver, CO 80204
http://www.coloradocoalition.org/what_we_do/what_we_do_housing.aspx
- Transitional housing (up to 2 years) for homeless residents, primarily single adults living with mental illness.
  - Property includes: a computer room, TV area and communal kitchen. Meals, housekeeping and laundry services are provided.
  - Some space is reserved for disabled veterans and for those in need of respite care after a hospital stay.
  - 24-hour on-site case management and support services for all residents.
- Notes: Background check required. Waitlist is up to 6 months long.
- Cost: May vary depending on veteran status and if male/female; call to inquire.

Karis Community
303-355-5546
1361 Detroit St., Denver, CO 80206
http://kariscommunity.org/
- How to Get In: Applicant is interviewed by the executive director or program coordinator. If it is determined is a good fit, the client participates in a dinner with the community on Monday or
Tuesday at 5:45pm. At dinner, the applicant has the opportunity to socialize with current members; they will ask questions to gain a better understanding of the applicant, and the applicant can ask any questions arising for them after the initial interview. The applicant is instructed to call at 10:00am to find out the community decision.

- Criteria: 21+ years old, primary struggle is a mental health diagnosis, able to pay monthly rent (do not accept Section 8), able to work, volunteer or attend school at least 20 hours a week, currently working with a therapist to assist in addressing mental health issues, if on medications working with a psychiatrist, available all Thursday evenings to participate in community dinner and meetings, available to attend 3 community dinners each week, able to provide own breakfast and lunch, available to attend two in-house support groups each week, able to complete a monthly chore, take medication independently, keep general upkeep of room for cleanliness, and ultimately remain able to continue working on goals for healthy coping and life skills.
- Cost: $576/month single rooms, $469/month shared room, $200 damage deposit with first month’s rent

**Ex-Offender Program**

**Charity’s House Ministries**
303-291-0275
3022 Welton Street, Denver, CO 80205
http://charityshouseministries.org/

- 16 bed faith-based program for recently released ex-offenders (not including sex nor violent offenders). Must work or be seeking employment. If not working you must be willing to be given assigned work or to look for employment, presenting verification of at least 5 job interviews a week. You must agree to money management services until $500 or more is saved, trainings, and random drug and alcohol screenings. You will be discharged if you are absent overnight without staff being notified
- What they offer: safe and clean household, Biblical training, financial counseling, employment assistance and referrals, career training classes, mentoring, stress management classes, drug and alcohol classes, etc.
- Cost: $240/mo. For sliding scale fee option, call to see if qualified
- How to Get In: Fill out and submit the 14 page application found on the website (http://charityshouseministries.org/CHApp-Men.pdf)
  - Mail or hand deliver to 3022 Welton Street, Denver, CO 80205, or fax to 303-291-0274.
  - If you cannot print a copy but can come to the office, they will provide an application and help you complete it.

**Drug and Alcohol**

**Open Door Ministries – LightHouse**
720-920-9541 or 303-820-2201
1530 Marion St., Denver, CO 80218
http://www.odmdenver.org/LightHouse

- A boarding home that provides a safe, caring and sober environment for men struggling with addictions and other issues. They offer optional activities like meals, Bible studies, church services and prayer meetings.
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Must be willing to find employment and pay rent.
Must agree to maintain a safe, drug free and sober living environment when they sign the lease.
Residents are encouraged to participate in Open Door programming, but not required.

Call to find out about openings or more information.

Oxford House
Phone number depends on location
Multiple locations in the Denver Metro area
www.oxfordhouse.org

On the website, go to “Houses” > “Vacancy Search” and search in Colorado for openings and local phone numbers to contact

- Transitional housing for men and women – self-run, self-supporting addiction recovery.
- Length of Stay: A recovering individual can live in an Oxford House for as long as he or she does not drink alcohol, does not use drugs, and pays an equal share of the house expenses. The average stay is about a year, but many residents stay three, four, or more years. Zero tolerance for relapse.
- Majority are single rooms with shared common space, costing around $400-500 monthly.
- How to Get In: complete a standard “Application for Membership” and be interviewed by the residents of the house he or she want to live in.
- Notes: Participants must be working and cooperate with house rules such as being clean, sober, and sharing chores.

Providence House
303-860-8404 x22
801 Logan St., Denver, CO 80203
http://providencenetwork.org/

- An 18-month program designed to empower single men and women who are seeking life-long recovery, self-sufficiency and spiritual growth.
- Call the number above for a recording that will announce openings and scheduled orientations. Orientations and interviews are held only when there are openings.
- Resources Offered: Job training, life-skills development, individual and group counseling, case management, goal setting and accountability support, and community activities.
- Notes: Next step after detox, Christian-based, for men who struggle with addiction and alcoholism (or dual-diagnoses). Must maintain sobriety.

Step 13
303-295-7837
2029 Larimer St., Denver, CO 80206
www.Step13.org

- Men’s residential recovery program in downtown Denver that offers residents the opportunity to overcome addiction and become productive citizens. Program requires sobriety, work and personal accountability.
- Services highly motivated men who are suffering from the disease of addiction who are willing and able to work full-time.
  - Residents cannot be receiving any government or third-party assistance.
  - Residents may not be on any mind-altering prescription medications (other medications must be disclosed at time of application)
Residents may not have any criminal history involving death, sex crimes, crimes against children, arson or weapons.

Applications must be able to pass a breathalyzer test, as well as a urinalysis test that is negative for all substances, excluding THC (because of the amount of time it stays in the system) and benzodiazepines (as long as this is because of alcohol detox purposes).

- No initial cost to enter Step 13. Once admitted, men are required to pay $10/day in fees.
  - In-house work is provided to help men get off to a good start
  - While in program, men must purchase and prepare their own food. A supply of food is available to help men start in the program.
  - Men must leave the facility for work each morning by 7:30am and not return before 4pm

- Applications are taken between 8:00am and 12:00pm, Monday – Thursday, either in-person or by calling in. All applications are for same day intakes and applications must be able to enter the program at 2:30pm on the day an application is submitted.

Victory Outreach Denver Southwest – Christian Recovery Home
303-937-7460
3502 W. Walsh Pl, Denver, CO 80219

- Faith based, 12 bed, substance abuse recovery program
  - Length of Stay: 12 month commitment
  - How to Get In: Call and if there is an open bed, attend an intake
  - Resources Offered: Bible study, classes based on a church curriculum, contracted work 2-3 days a week, meals, clothing

- Conditions: Must be able to work; working 2-3 days a week pays program fees. No sex offenders. No psychotropic medications.

*Ask Navigation for an additional list of Substance Use Treatment resources as needed.*

Information for People with Pets

Cat Care Society
303-239-9680
5787 W 6th Ave, Lakewood, CO 80214
http://www.catcaresociety.org/

- Temporary care program for people who are unable to care for their cats, due to a home foreclosure, temporary homelessness, or an extended hospital stay. Provide shelter, food, and medical care for up to 30 days for the cat(s) of people who are struggling due to one of these situations.
  - CCS has limited spots for temporary care cats, and participation in the program is subject to space and availability. Call to verify space is available.

- Shelter hours: Tues – Fri: 12pm – 5:30pm; Sat: 11am – 4:30pm; Sun: 12pm – 3:00pm

Cat Cradle Cattery
303-424-2424
4363 Kipling St, Wheat Ridge, CO 80033
http://www.catcradlecattery.com/

- Can take cats temporarily for only $8/day which includes food.
• Hours: Mon – Fri: 8am – 12pm, 4pm – 6pm; Saturday: 8am – 12pm; Sunday: closed

The Denver Stray Project – Denver Dumb Friends League
303-751-5772
2080 Quebec Street, Denver, CO
http://www.ddfl.org/pet-surrender/surrender-process/
• If you are a resident of Denver and have a pet that you need to surrender, please bring it to Dumb Friends League (DFL) at 2080 Quebec Street.
• In Pet Surrender, they offer compassion and understanding to owners who relinquish their pets and a warm welcome to the animals that are being entrusted to their care
  o Call to schedule an appointment
  ▪ What to bring to the shelter:
    • Pet records – a copy of vaccination and vet records
    • Behavior information – be prepared to discuss your pet’s daily habits and behaviors
    • Safe transportation – be sure that dogs are on leashes and cats or other small animals are in carriers
  o DDFL will ask for a $30 donation to be put toward the cost of your pet’s care
  o If you are disabled and/or don’t have transportation to take the pet to the shelter, a Denver resident may contact Denver Animal Protection at 720-913-1311 for assistance regarding an owner surrender pet.
• Hours: Monday–Friday, 9am–7pm; Weekends: 9am–5pm
• Non-Denver County residents: contact local animal shelter or animal control agency.

Foothills Animal Shelter
303-278-7575
580 McIntyre St., Golden, CO 80401
www.foothillsanimalsshelter.org
• Pet surrender for Jefferson County residents (must provide ID); accept out-of-county surrenders, but a larger fee will be charged
• How to surrender:
  o Bring animal to the shelter along with proof of residency and the animal’s medical records during normal open hours. Enter through “Intake” door, past the main doors.
  o At time of drop-off, you will sign waiver releasing ownership rights to the pet
  o You will be asked to give as much information about your pet as possible.
  o Once you surrender your pet, it will undergo behavior testing and they will determine best course of action for the pet’s placement.
• Surrender fees – help to cover initial cost of care for your pet
  o Jefferson County
  o Out-of-county
    ▪ Dogs or cats (over 6 months of age) – $100, Puppy or kitten (under 6 months of age) – $80, Litter of puppies or kittens – $100 (w/mother $120), other animals – $100.
• Hours of operation: 11am – 7pm on weekdays, and 10am – 6pm on weekends

MaxFund – No Kill Animal Shelter and Adoption Center
1005 Galapago St, Denver, CO 80204 (dog shelter) – 303-595-4917
720 W. 10th Avenue, Denver, CO 80204 (cat shelter) – 720-266-6081
https://www.maxfund.org/

- Shelter Hours: Mon, Wed, Thur and Fri: 10am – 4pm (cat shelter is 11am-4pm), Saturday 11am – 5pm, Sunday 12pm – 5pm; Closed on Tuesdays
- Notes: Can relinquish animals for $45, call to ensure there is space in the shelter.
- Call for any additional information and/or requirements.

**Rocky Mountain Feline Rescue**

303-744-6076
http://rmfr-colorado.org/relinquish-cat

- Can only take in cats as space opens up. They will make sure the cat is a good fit for the shelter and if accepted, they will set up an appt. to bring in the cat.
- No required fee, but consider leaving a donation for the care of the cat

*Ask Navigation for additional list(s) of animal assistance resources as needed.*