



# Shelters - Youth Navigation Services



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If you notice any changes or inconsistencies with our resources, please inform Navigation to help us stay current.

## Shelter Referral Helpline

Mile High United Way

[www.unitedwaydenver.org](http://www.unitedwaydenver.org)

Dial 211

Call to see what shelters have availabilities for the night

## Cold Weather Resources

### For all Cold Weather Shelters, Conditions Must Be:

- Below 32° F and snowing or raining
- Or below 20° F and dry

### Severe Weather Shelter Network (SWSN)

- SWSN provides shelter for single men, single women, and couples without children who are homeless on life threatening winter nights. SWSN works alongside community organizations to provide this shelter starting October 1st and going through April 30th.
- Anyone who is interested in staying in a shelter site must register with SWSN. Registration Sites help individuals with the screening and registration process for access to the shelter for the season. Registration cannot be done over the phone or online. Each guest must visit a partner location in person to register.
- Registration Sites
  - South Region Partners
    - Giving Heart, 4358 S Broadway, Englewood 80113
      - Hours: Tues. 10 am – 3 pm, Thurs. 11 am – 2 pm
  - Central Region Partners
    - Mean Street Ministry, 1380 Ammons St, Lakewood 80214
      - Hours: Mon-Thurs 9 am – 12 pm
    - The Action Center, 8755 W 14th Ave, Lakewood 80215
      - Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed and Fri 9 am – 4 pm, Thurs 11 am – 5 pm
    - Jeffco Human Services, 900 Jefferson County Parkway, Golden 80401
      - Hours: Mon-Fri 7:30 am – 5:30 pm
  - North Region Partners
    - Mission at the Rising 7500 W. 57th Avenue Arvada, CO 80002
      - Hours: Mon-Fri 9 am – 12 pm
    - The Community Table 8555 W. 57th Avenue Arvada, CO 80002
      - Hours: Mon-Fri 9 am – 12 pm

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These resources are primarily for teens and pregnant youth.

An **emergency shelter** offers immediate shelter for one night or longer.

A **transitional housing program** generally offers housing for longer durations. There are generally wait lists to get into transitional housing programs. Most of these programs require residents to complete an application, interview, and pay monthly rent.

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### **Cold/Severe Weather Shelter Referral Hotline (2-1-1)**

- 8AM to 5PM Monday through Friday
- After hours, contact local sheriff's department for possible vouchers
- Go in person to one of these agencies during business hours if the weather is predicted to meet conditions listed above to see about availability at a temporary shelter in a neighborhood church.
- If a snowstorm is predicted, shelter can be obtained for up to three nights in a row.
- Men will be separated from women and children.
- Background check will be run, people with violent offenses within the last year are not eligible to stay.
  - **Family Tree:** 303-467-2604, 2805 Marshall St., Wheat Ridge, CO 80033
  - **Jeffco Action Center:** 303-237-7704, 8745 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Ave., Lakewood, CO 80215

### **Shelter Resources**

#### **National Runaway Switchboard**

1-800-RUNAWAY (786-2929)

Click link below to live chat or send email:

[www.1800runaway.org](http://www.1800runaway.org)

- 24-hour crisis line and online chat, Spanish services available
- Provides education, information, nonjudgmental support & solution-focused interventions to runaways, teens thinking of running away & those who know someone who has run away.
- Message Relay & Conference Calls
  - Leave message for parents, receive messages, and place conference calls to talk things out.
  - You can leave a message for the child in your life with us, and when they contact NRS, we will deliver it.
  - When you and the child in your life are ready to talk, we can serve as a neutral mediator on a three-way call.

#### **Urban Peak**

303-974-2908 (shelter hotline) 303-974-2900 (main number) 303-974-2928 (drop-in center)

1630 S. Acoma St., Denver, CO 80223 (shelter address)

2100 Stout St., Denver, CO 80205 (drop-in center)

[www.urbanpeak.org/](http://www.urbanpeak.org/)

- Emergency shelter and drop-in center for homeless and runaway youth.
  - Call for shelter availability, best to call earlier in the day.
  - Overnight *emergency shelter* for youth ages 15-20.
  - Services at the shelter: three meals a day, showers, counseling, case management, vaccinations, HIV and pregnancy testing, health screening, clothing, hygiene products, and resource referrals.
  - Services at Urban Peak's Drop-In Center: showers, a hot breakfast Monday through Friday, lockers, and laundry services.
  - Owns and operates three transitional housing apartment complexes which offer support through individualized case management services.

#### **Comitis Crisis Center**

720-859-7100

2178 Victor St., Aurora, CO 80045

<https://comitiscrisiscenter.org/comitis-crisis-center>

- 24-hour crisis hotline, walk-in services, and emergency shelter for runaways and homeless 18 and older.
  - Access to emergency housing, food, and clothing.
  - Community outreach, problem prevention, referrals, and education.
  - Resource and case management; drop-in and day services offered.

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### **Kearney Street Program (Denver Area Youth Services)**

Referral contact: Sally Gerdes, 303-698-2300 / [sgerdes@denveryouthservices.org](mailto:sgerdes@denveryouthservices.org)

1530 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Ave. Denver, CO 80204

<https://www.denveryouthservices.org/services>

- Transitional/Residential program for teen girls and teen moms
  - Need referral from Social Service case worker and must have an open case through social services or Division of Youth Corrections.
  - Provides coaching for education and employment, independent living skills training, and support groups
  - Services for adolescent mothers include childcare and parent education classes.

### **Hope House**

303-429-1012

[info@hopehousecolorado.org](mailto:info@hopehousecolorado.org)

6475 Benton Street (building A), Arvada, CO 80003

<https://www.hopehousecolorado.org/>

- Hope House is a faith-based program provides teen mothers up to a week of respite care, up to nine months of transitional housing, or up to two years of comprehensive programming.
- Community program offers case Management, GED, higher education support parenting classes, counseling, life skills & career resources
- Must be between age 15-20 years old, parenting your child, and a U.S. citizen or documented resident.
- Call for additional information.

### **Treasure House - Open Door Ministries**

303-830-2201

1567 Marion Street, Denver, CO 80218

<https://www.odmdenver.org/>

Hours of Operation: Mon-Friday, 8:00am – 3:00pm

- Treasure House is a two-year faith-based transitional housing program for moms and their children, three years and younger. We focus on our residents pursuing healthy parenting skills, sobriety, exploring their faith journey, and pursuing education and employment goals.
- Apply online here: <https://form.jotform.com/211526880057153>
- Call for openings.

### **Mile High United Way - Bridging the Gap**

303-433-8383

[www.unitedwaydenver.org](http://www.unitedwaydenver.org)

- Offers eligible young people 36 months of housing assistance through the Family Unification Program (FUP) housing voucher.
  - Individuals ages 18-24 are eligible to apply, if they have spent at least one day in foster care on or after their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday.
  - They must be homeless, or in the process of becoming homeless, couch surfing, in a transitional living program, or living in overcrowded or dilapidated housing.

### **Attention Homes - Runaway and Homeless Youth Program “The Source”**

303-447-1207 (shelter), 303-447-1206 (office)

3080 Broadway Ave., Boulder, CO 80304

<http://www.attentionhomes.org/>

- Program to help homeless youth living on the streets or in unstable living conditions transition to a long-term housing and/or family reunification.

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- Residential treatment program, daytime drop-in center and overnight emergency shelter.
- Youth ages 12-20 eligible for overnight emergency shelter, 7 days a week from 5:00PM-8:00AM.
- Ages 12-24 welcome to drop-in for services, 7 days a week from 12:30PM-5:00PM
- Help youth build behavioral, emotional and career related pathways to success while becoming self-sufficient.
- If there is an open social services case not able to provide shelter to youth.

### **Bannock Youth Center (Volunteers of America)**

720-217-3884

455 Bannock St, Denver, CO 80204

<http://www.voacolorado.org/gethelp-denvermetro-ryes-youth>

**Hours of Operation:** Mon-Friday, 9am-5pm

- Youth and Young Families Program provides case management and permanent housing support for homeless youth and their families. Single males, single male parents, and LGBTQ welcome.
- Also offers support with education, independent living skills, and parenting skills.
- Eligibility
  - Income and vital documents for all household members
  - Must be between 16-24 years of age
  - Must be homeless (verified-i.e. staying at a shelter)
  - Referral from local shelters and direct service providers

### **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.
- Provides 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.
- Hours: Thursday-Monday, 12:00PM-6:00PM. Closed Tuesday and Wednesday.

#### **The Denver Stray Project – Denver Dumb Friends League**

303-751-5772

2080 Quebec Street, Denver, CO

<https://www.ddfl.org/pet-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.
- 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.
  - DDFL will ask for a \$30 donation to be put toward the cost of your pet's care.

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- 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's surrender pet.
- Hours: Monday–Friday, 9:00AM–7:00PM; Weekends: 9:00AM–5:00PM
- Non-Denver County residents: contact local animal shelter or animal control agency.

### **MaxFund – No Kill Animal Shelter and Adoption Center**

1005 Galapago St, Denver, CO 80204 (dog shelter) – 303-595-4917

720 W. 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Denver, CO 80204 (cat shelter) – 720-266-6081

<https://maxfund.org/>

- Dog and cat shelter hours: Mon, Wed, Thur and Fri, 10:00AM-5:00PM; Sat 11:00AM-5:00PM; Sun 12:00PM-5:00PM
- Can relinquish animals for \$45, call to ensure there is space in the shelter and to make an appointment.
- Call for any additional information and/or requirements.

### **Rocky Mountain Feline Rescue**

303-744-6076

2390 S. Delaware St., Denver, CO 80223

<http://rmfr-colorado.org>

- Can only take in cats as space becomes available. 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 please consider leaving a donation for the care of the cat.
- Hours: Monday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday 12:00PM – 5:00PM

### **Foothills Animal Shelter**

303-278-7575

580 McIntyre Street, Golden, CO 80401

[www.foothillsanimalshelter.org](http://www.foothillsanimalshelter.org)

- Pet surrender program for Jefferson County residents.
  - This is not temporary care, and your pet will be placed for adoption. You must provide proof of residence. Out of county surrenders accepted based on capacity. A higher fee will be charged for out of county surrender.
  - Please bring your pet and their documentation to the office during regular hours. Enter through the "Intake" door.
  - You will be asked to sign a waiver releasing ownership, asked about your pet's behavior, and your pet will undergo a behavioral test to determine the best course of action for your pet's placement.
  - In-county Surrender Fees: [Dogs and puppies- \$60] [Cats and Kittens- \$40] [Rabbits and ferrets-\$20] [Small mammals-\$25] others vary.
  - Out of county surrender fees: [Dogs and puppies- \$120] [Mother dog with litter/pregnant dog- \$160] [Cats and Kittens- \$100] [Mother cat with litter/pregnant cat- \$120] [Others- \$50-\$100]
- Foothills Animal Shelter has partnered with Human Service Agencies and our Animal Control Partners to bring services to the citizens of Jefferson County. Simply put, it is the right thing to do to make lives better for pets and people.
  - PorchLight, A Family Justice Center (FJC)
    - FJC provides comprehensive legal, emotional and critical supportive services for survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, child abuse, abuse of at-risk individuals, elder abuse, and human trafficking. Located in Lakewood, Colorado, the FJC is a safe,

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- caring environment that provides one-stop services and support. Key local government agencies, law enforcement, community, social and legal service providers, and District Attorney's Offices are located on-site at the FJC to make it easier for victims and survivors to get help. We have an office at the center so we can provide care and resources to the animals belonging to clients of the center.
- Foothills Animal Shelter provides clients with pet food, animal supplies, vaccinations, and spay/neuter services. We will also provide short-term housing when requested.
  - Colorado Safe Parking Lot Initiative (CSP)
    - CSPI is grassroots, all-volunteer nonprofit organization working to create a statewide network of safe, legal parking locations for individuals and families sheltering in vehicles because they are experiencing homelessness. Safe overnight parking is available for individuals experiencing homelessness and living in a passenger vehicle in Jefferson County's two lots, located in Golden and Arvada. Safe lot guests have access to bathroom facilities, housing navigation and other services.
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  - Protective Custody Program
    - Jefferson County Animal Control and the cities of Lakewood, Arvada, Wheat Ridge, Golden, Edgewater, Sheridan, and Westminster Animal Control Agencies partner with us to provide Protective Custody Services. Our Animal Control Partners pick up and transport animals to Foothills Animal Shelter when the owners have been evicted, hospitalized, died, become homeless, or are experiencing domestic violence and need to flee an unsafe situation.
    - Foothills Animal Shelter provides ten days of boarding services at no charge to the families in crisis.