

Finding Housing Resources

- **NC Housing Search** is a free search-engine and customer phone center for people looking for available rental housing. Visit [NCHousingSearch](#) or call 877-428-8844.
- **Find HUD housing resources:** Go to the HUD (US Dept. of Housing and Urban Development) web site at www.hud.gov On the top of the screen click [WhatWeDo](#), then you will access the housing, fairness and rental assistance page. There are three major kinds of federally subsidized housing listed on this page:
 - **Privately owned subsidized housing:** Under rental assistance click on [Search for an Apartment](#) and click on North Carolina. Select an area by city, county or zip code to get a list of all the privately owned Section 8 properties in your community. Call the property for additional information.
 - **Housing Choice Voucher Program** (also known as Section 8 tenant based rental assistance): Under rental assistance click on [Housing Choice Voucher Fact Sheet](#) to learn more about this federal government program for assisting very low-income families, the elderly, and the disabled to afford decent, safe, and sanitary housing in the private market. Many PHAs have preferences for persons with disabilities. If interested in applying for a voucher, contact the [Local PHA](#) and inquire if wait lists are open for Section 8 or Mainstream Vouchers. If wait lists are open, make application for the programs. If wait lists are closed, ask how you can be informed of when wait lists are opened.
 - **Senior Citizens Resources:** Under housing click on [Senior Citizens](#) to obtain more information about housing options for clients, an aging parent, relative, or friend.
- **Find Rural Housing resources:** Go to the USDA (US Dept. of Agriculture) web site a [Rural Housing Assistance](#). In the middle of page click [Multi-Family Housing Rentals](#) then search by state and county. This will bring up the list of USDA developments in each county with additional links to project specific information. Call the property for additional information.
- The **North Carolina Housing Coalition** web site has links to different housing resources. These resources are available at www.nchousing.org/need_help/housing_location/
- **The NC Dept. of Health and Human Services housing resources:**
 - **Senior Housing Options:** Click on the following link for a list of independent housing options for North Carolina seniors, [Elder Locator](#).
 - **Housing and Home Improvement Assistance:** Assist adults and families with access to a higher standard of living by utilizing one or more federal, state and local home improvement funding sources. To locate NC agencies that may be able to assist click [here](#).
 - **Targeting Program:** The Targeting Program is a partnership between NC Housing Finance Agency and NC Department of Health and Human Services to provide access to affordable housing for people with disabilities and/or experiencing homelessness with very low incomes. Properties developed with using the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) are required to participate in the Targeting Program. This means that LIHTC properties must set aside between 10 percent and 20 percent of their units and make them available for eligible participants as identified by DHHS. Participants are referred from local service providers and

communities to DHHS once they have taken a short training and become an approved referral agency. Click on [Targeting Program and Key Rental Assistance 101 \(Video\)](#) to learn more.

- **Money Follows the Person:** A state project that helps Medicaid-eligible North Carolinians who live in inpatient facilities move into their own homes and communities with supports. To learn more about the program click on [MFP Fact Sheet](#). To apply for the program click on [MFP-Application](#).
- **NC Independent Living Rehabilitation Program:** The Independent Living Rehabilitation Program (IL) provides an alternative to living in a nursing home or other facility for eligible individuals to live a more independent life. More information is provided in the [IL Program Brochure](#).
- **NC Transition to Community Living Initiative (TCLI):** The Transitions to Community Living Voucher provides rent assistance to assist people with behavioral health disabilities either be diverted from, or transition out of restrictive settings, so that they can live in the community of their choice. The voucher, combined with supports that help tenants live independently, makes up the housing portion of a broader program known as the Transitions to Community Living Initiative. The voucher operates as a partnership between the NC Department of Health and Human Services and the state’s network of mental health management organizations. TCLV not only provides rent assistance but can also help pay for security deposits and certain costs incurred by property owners. Click on the [DHHS TCLI webpage](#) to learn more.
- **NC Health Opportunities:** DHHS is addressing the conditions in which people live that directly impact health, known as “social determinants of health,” or SDOH. The initial focus is on housing stability, food security, transportation access and interpersonal safety. Click on the [healthy-opportunities webpage](#) to learn more.
- **Fair Housing for Tenants with Disabilities: Understanding Reasonable Accommodations and Reasonable Modifications** provides information about protections provided to persons with disabilities through fair housing laws. This resource is available at [RAGuide](#).
- **United Way’s NC 2-1-1** connects North Carolina residents in all 100 counties with trained call specialists who can help people find food, housing, and utility assistance, healthcare services, education and employment assistance, disaster services, and more in their community. The service is free, confidential and available 24/7/365 in any language by **dialing 2-1-1 or visiting [NC 2-1-1](#)**.