

“Who’s Knocking At Your Door”

- A Quick Guide to Common Crises

Homeless & In Need of Shelter

During the daytime hours (8:30 - 4:30):

- Samaritan Inn - has apartments that provide short-term emergency shelter for families - Contact: (973) 827-8911
- Interfaith Hospitality Network - provides short term emergency shelter for families & single women through area congregations - Contact: (973) 579-1180 www.scihn.org
- Sussex County Division of Social Services - can provide motel rooms for single men and for single women and families if shelters are full. If they have no income, they can apply for general assistance (GA) for singles and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) if they have children. Clients need to go **in person** to Social Services to apply for benefits M-F between the hours of 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Social Services is located at 83 Spring Street, Newton (the old Shelby’s building a.k.a. Cochran Plaza). (973) 383-3600

During the evening hours (after 4:30 p.m.):

- Samaritan Inn – (973) 827-8911 or (877) 827-8411- volunteers/staff phone screen and place someone who is homeless in motels until the next business day when they are directed to Social Services.

In Need of Heating Assistance

- ❖ NORWESCAP – Home Energy Assistance Program (HEA) – 1-888-454-4778 (toll-free number)/local numbers for Franklin office – (973) 383-6020 & (973) 209-7549. Clients have to apply for this benefit and the program is based on income guidelines. Try this referral first to see if a client is eligible.
- ❖ Sussex County Division of Social Services – (973) 383-3600; this is the second option for heating.
- ❖ People Help – (973) 729-1745 ***Clients have to be referred by an agency in order to access these funds. You can call on behalf of a client in need.*** People Help will assist clients financially with an emergency need once a year, approximately \$150.00 per person. The funds are mailed directly to the vendor or service and not to the client unless the need is food, for example. Such needs include heating.

In Need of Money (for transportation, car repairs, food, etc.)

- Sussex County Division of Social Services – clients can apply for food stamps, help with transportation, assistance with back rent, back utility and/or security deposit for housing. Social Services also has a food pantry on site. (973) 383-3600
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- Salvation Army – (908) 851-9300

In Need of Transportation

- Sussex County Transit – (973) 579-0480 press 1

In Need of Food

Sussex County Division of Social Services, Newton-(973) 383-3600

Sparta Presbyterian Church - (973) 726-7255

Harvest House Lunch Program- (Sussex Baptist Church, free lunches served M-F @ 11:30 a.m.) (973) 764-8500

Holy Counselor Lutheran Church- (973) 827-5251

Salvation Army Food Pantry- (973) 827-2973 or (973) 383-6020

Sussex Help Center, Sussex - (973) 702-1922

WIC (Women Infant Children) Program- (973) 579-5155 (pregnant, nursing and postpartum women who have children up to the age of 5 who are income eligible can receive nutritious food for themselves and their children, also baby formula, etc. WIC can also help with healthcare referrals, immunization information and support for the mothers.

You can also call 2-1-1 for additional local food pantries for people in need.

Manna House Lunch Program- (Newton Presbyterian Church, free lunches served M-F 11:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m.) (973) 579-6517

Harvest Home Food Company (SCARC)- (973) 827-4076

Bodhi Monastery – (973) 940-0711

Samaritan Inn, Franklin – (973) 827-8911

Partnership for Social Services, Franklin- (973) 827-4702

In Need of Clothing

Harvest Home Clothing Company (Newton site) – (973) 383-7000; Ogdensburg site (973) 827-5138; Wantage site (973) 702-8530
Partnership for Social Services, Franklin – (973) 827-4702 Beehive Thrift Store, Newton – (973) 383-1228
Thrifty Mouse Thrift Store, United Methodist Church, Sparta – (973) 729-9121 Call 2-1-1 for further options.

Is Asking for Help with Substance Abuse

- Center for Prevention and Counseling – Provides alcohol and other drug evaluations, counseling (including adult intensive outpatient treatment), life skills counseling, early intervention counseling, treatment referral, intervention, information and prevention programs to adolescents, adults and families. Offers up-to-date, free listing about 12 step meetings in the county. Services available M-F from 7am to 9pm, Sat.- by appt. Website: at www.centerforprevention.org (973) 383-4787
- Sunrise House – Was awarded funding from the County of Sussex to help indigent clients of Sussex County for inpatient, detoxification, and outpatient counseling treatment. (973) 383-6300
- Freedom House – Operates both a man’s halfway house program and a women’s halfway house program (women have to have children, although they do not have to be with them currently to apply for program) (908) 537-6043
- Newton Memorial Hospital – Provides outpatient substance abuse counseling and groups. (973) 579-8675
- Saint Clare’s – Provides detoxification and residential substance abuse treatment. (973) 316-1896
- Capitol Care – Provides treatment for substance abuse and also for mental health. (973) 426-1440
- Partnership for Social Services – provides counseling for substance abuse issues. (973) 827-4702

Needs Help with Medical, Dental Care and/or Prescriptions

- Neighborhood Community Health Center (Newton site- dental only) – (973) 383-7001
 - (Plainfield site – both medical & dental) – (908) 753-6401
- Newton Health Clinic – (973) 579-8650
- NJ Prescription Assistance Program – (888) Rx for NJ
- Partnership for Prescription Assistance – (888) 477-2669
- Sussex County Division of Social Services – (973) 383-3600
- Sussex County Division of Senior Services (PAAD) – (973) 579-0555
- S.C. Prescription Savings Program – (800) 633-0037
- Together Rx Access – (800) 444-4106
- United Way of Sussex County (for discount prescription cards) – (973) 579-3040

Mental Health or Counseling Options

- Center for Mental Health (973) 383-1533 24-hr. Emergency hotline – (973) 383-0973
- Project Self-Sufficiency (Family Success Center, etc.) (973) 940-3500
- Center for Prevention and Counseling (M-F from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Sat. by appt.) (973) 383-4787
- NAMI, Sussex – (973) 823-0122
- Partnership for Social Services (973) 827-4702
- Saint Clare’s Intensive Family Support Services – (973) 702-2741
- Value Options (children) – (877) -652-7624

Needs Help with Immigration Issues

- El Refugio – (973) 383- 5099
- American Friends (Newark) – (973) 643-1924

Domestic Abuse & Sexual Assault

- DASI 24-hour helpline 973-875-1211 for access to emergency safe house, supportive crisis counseling, information & referrals and activation of the Sussex County Sexual Assault Response Team (SART). Collect and anonymous calls accepted.