SEARCHING FOR HOUSING IN DC?

The District Government has these resources for you.

OFFICE OF THE TENANT ADVOCATE
2000 14th Street NW, Suite 300 N
Washington, DC 20009
(202) 719-6560 • ota.dc.gov

Rent Payment Assistance
Who: Low-and moderate-income residents who meet certain criteria are eligible.
What: Participants pay a portion of their rent based on a percentage of the family’s income (on average about 30 percent), and DCHA pays the rest directly to the landlord.

Public Housing
Who: Very low-income families, seniors and disabled persons who meet certain income criteria are eligible.
What: They can receive financial assistance to live in safe, well maintained and affordable rental homes. Priority is given to those who are in greatest need.

Emergency Housing
Who: Rental housing tenants displaced by fires, floods or government closures.
What: They can receive certain emergency housing and relocation expenses (for example, hotel accommodations and financial assistance).

Housing Assistance and Community Service
Who: Rental housing tenants who need assistance in landlord disputes or legal matters.
What: They can receive advice on resolving disputes with landlords, legal issues, tenant and landlord rights and responsibilities, as well as legal and technical assistance.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
64 New York Avenue NE, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 671-4200 • dhs.dc.gov

Homeless and Homeless Prevention Services
Who: Individuals and families who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.
What: They can receive emergency, temporary, transitional and other services to help them transition into or maintain permanent affordable housing.
How: Visit http://dhs.dc.gov/service/homeless-and-homeless-prevention-services to get details on the list of available services.
FIRST-TIME HOME BUYER PROGRAMS

Home Purchase Assistance Program (HPAP)
Who: Individuals who meet income, credit and other requirements are eligible.
What: They can receive up to $80,000 in loans and up to $4,000 in closing cost assistance to help purchase their first home.
How: Visit the HPAP page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/home-purchase-assistance-program-hpap.

Program for District Government Employees
Who: District government employees employed in good standing for one year. Teachers, police officers, fire fighters and emergency medical technicians are eligible at the time of hire.
What: They can receive matching down payment funds up to $5,000 and a deferred loan of up to $20,000 to help purchase their first home. First responders can also receive $10,000 for down payment assistance in the form of a recoverable grant and a matching funds grant for up to $15,000.
How: Visit the District Government Employees Assistance Housing Program (EAHP) page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/employer-assisted-housing-program-eahp.

Program for Unionized District Government Employees
Who: District government employees covered by certain collective bargaining agreements are eligible.
What: They can receive $3,000 to $26,500 in down payment and closing cost assistance.
How: Visit the Negotiated Employee Assistance Housing Program (NEAHP) page at dhcd.dc.gov/service/negotiated-employee-assistance-home-purchase-program-neahp.

HOME REPAIR PROGRAMS

Home and Roof Repairs, and Accessibility Upgrades
Who: Individuals who meet income residency, credit and other requirements are eligible.
What: They can apply for loans or grants ranging from $15,000 to $75,000.
How: Visit the Single Family Residential Rehabilitation Program page at dhcd.dc.gov/SFRRP or contact one of the Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) at http://dhcd.dc.gov/node/1050852.

Aging in Place and Home Accessibility Upgrades
Who: Older adults and disabled individuals who meet income criteria are eligible.
What: They can receive up to $10,000 in grants for home modifications that promote aging in place and/or improve home accessibility.
How: Contact the Safe at Home Program, (202) 638-0050, safeathome@homecarepartners.org; funded by DHCD and the DC Office on Aging (DCOA), 500 K Street NE, Washington, DC 20002.

Foreclosure Assistance
Who: District homeowners who have fallen behind on their mortgage payments due to unemployment or under employment and meet certain other criteria.
What: Can receive Lifeline Assistance of a one-time payment of up to nine months mortgage delinquency combined with ongoing Mortgage Payment Assistance (up to $60,000/24 months).

Help with Delinquent Property Related Expenses
Who: District homeowners who have experienced a qualifying hardship and fallen behind on their mortgage, real property taxes, condo/hoa fees or other property eligible/related expenses. Must meet certain other criteria.
What: Can receive one-time Restore Assistance of up to $60,000 for delinquent mortgage, real property taxes, condo/hoa fees and other property related expenses.