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Monthly News & Updates

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URGENT NEWS!!!



HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM (SECTION 8)

The Detroit Housing Commission will be accepting PRE-APPLICATIONS for the WAITING LIST on February 3, 2020 thru February 5, 2020

All applicants must apply online at www.hcv2020waitlist.com

Applicants must be 18 years of age or a legally emancipated minor at the time of pre-application.

YOU MUST APPLY WITH AN EMAIL ADDRESS IN ORDER TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATIONS FROM DHC.

Download DHC flyer: [DHC Flyer 2020](#)

2020 Waiting List Opening MELVINDALE HOUSING COMMISSION ACCEPTING PRE-APPLICATIONS FOR HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER WAITING LIST LOTTERY

The Melvindale Housing Commission (MHC) will open its waiting list lottery for the Housing Choice Voucher (Section 8) Program and begin accepting pre-applications on Thursday, February 20, 2019 at 12:01 a.m. EST through Tuesday, February 25, 2020 at 11:59 p.m. EST. Pre-applications will be accepted online at <https://melvindales82020.hdswaitinglist.com/> - and will NOT be accepted at the Housing Commission's office, nor by fax or by mail.

[Pre-applications accepted ONLINE ONLY](#)

Returning Citizens: Peer Support Group

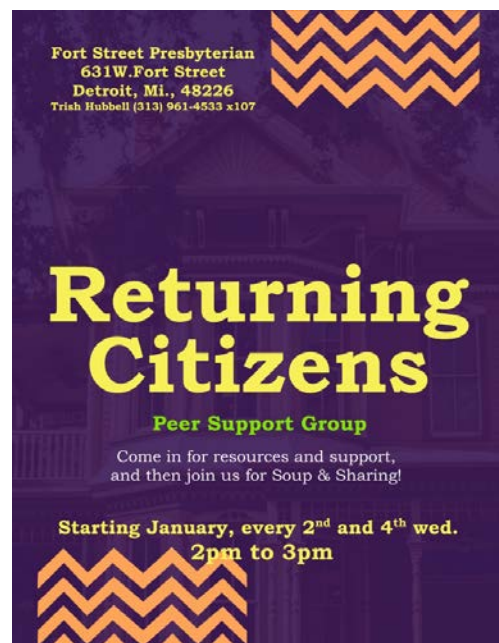
Come in for resources and support, and then join us for Soup & Sharing!

Starting January, every 2nd and 4th Wednesday

2pm - 3pm

Fort Street Presbyterian
531 W Fort Street
Detroit, MI 48226

Trish Hubbell 313-961-4533 ext 107



Billing Medicaid for Supportive Housing Services Two-Part Webinar Series + Office Hours

Learn about the current role of Medicaid in supportive housing and community integration. The Affordable Care Act and Medicaid expansion have enabled states to extend coverage of health and related services to a broader segment of vulnerable populations. For supportive housing providers, this two-part webinar series outlines general steps in becoming a Medicaid billing agency with a self-assessment for agencies considering this possibility. Part 1 and Part 2 are offered together and can only be purchased as a pair.

Part 1: July 22, 2020

Part 2: July 29, 2020

Office Hours: July 30,

[Click Here: Register for July 2020](#)

Friday, February 21st | 9:30am - 11am

Detroit CoC
information session

Learn how to connect those experiencing homelessness to supportive services.

@ Southwest Solutions HRC
1600 Porter Street
Detroit Michigan 48216

Presented by Coordinated Assessment Model (CAM), The Homeless Action Network of Detroit (HAND) & The City of Detroit's Homelessness Solutions team

RSVP HERE: [HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/J9PEA2A5MJ08G8XW8](https://forms.gle/J9PEA2A5MJ08G8XW8)

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Guidance Center)
2900 Conner, Detroit

Featuring a Presentation by
Elissa Green, Community Management
Associates, Inc

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**"Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)
& Project-Based Voucher (PBV)
Programs"**

Note: The remaining general membership meetings for 2020
will be back at the **SALVATION ARMY HEADQUARTERS**
16130 Northland Dr, Southfield



Special Thanks to the Lumineers

February 7 HAND was invited by the Lumineers to have a table at their [North American Tour 2020](#) at Little Caesar Arena (Detroit).

The group will donate a portion of the tickets and souvenir bottle sales to HAND at the completion of their concert tour.

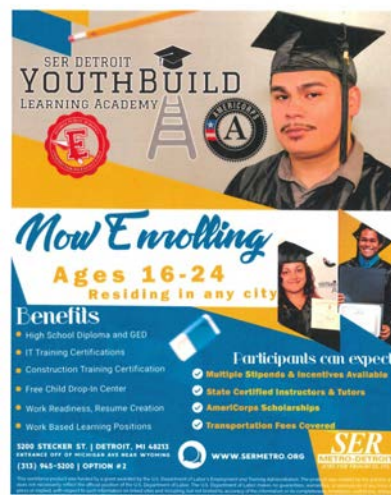


SER Detroit YouthBuild Learning Academy

Now Enrolling
Ages 16-24 Residing in Any City

5200 Stecker St
Detroit, MI 48213
(Entrance off of Michigan Ave Near
Wyoming

(313) 945-5200 Option #2



The advertisement for SER Detroit YouthBuild Learning Academy features a young man in a graduation cap and gown. The text includes 'SER DETROIT YOUTHBUILD LEARNING ACADEMY' with a logo, 'Now Enrolling' in a stylized font, 'Ages 16-24 Residing in any city', and a list of 'Benefits' such as High School Diploma and GED, IT Training Certifications, Construction Training Certification, Free Child Drop-in Center, Work Readiness, Resume Creation, and Work Based Learning Positions. It also lists 'Participants can expect' including Multiple Stipends & Incentives Available, State Certified Instructors & Tutors, AmeriCorps Scholarships, and Transportation Fees Covered. Contact information at the bottom includes '5200 STECKER ST | DETROIT, MI 48213', 'ENTRANCE OFF OF MICHIGAN AVE NEAR WYOMING', '(313) 945-5200 | OPTION #2', and 'WWW.SERMETRO.ORG'.



Opportunities are now live for [Google's Computer Science Summer Institute \(CSSI\)](#) Summer 2020! High school seniors are encouraged to apply by Friday, February 28th at 11:59 pm PT. The Detroit session will take place July 7th - July 27th at the [Google Detroit office](#).

CSSI aims to provide students with an interest in computer science an opportunity to learn what their future careers may hold and inspire them to complete their work toward a technical degree. We encourage students to develop their technical skills, while also building important personal networks and friendships with a diverse group of students who share their passion! Students can expect:

- a specially-designed, project-based curriculum to help prepare for their CS studies
- daily development sessions to help them prepare for future job opportunities interaction directly with Google Engineers exposure and insight into Google's internship programs and technical career opportunities

To apply, students will need to do the following: Complete the general application, [found here](#). This will include a high school transcript and answers to two essay questions. Participate in Google's Online Challenge after the general application closes. Students will receive further instructions after the general application closes.

If you have any questions about the program that aren't answered, please feel free to reach out to CSSI@google.com. Thank you in advance for your interest!

Detroit's CAM Access Points, including the 2 new Access Point locations, which are currently being "tested" on a temporary basis and are being advertised as "temporary winter sites".

If you do not have a safe place to sleep tonight and are in

Access Points
 HUD programs based on your needs. Go to any of the locations listed below to get started. If possible, go to the one that best matches your situation.

Families with Children & Unaccompanied Youth (Ages 18-24)

ACCESS POINT	INQUIRY	EMERGENCY SHELTER
Northwest Solutions	Monday - Friday	Hours 11 - 7
Shelby County Center	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday
East River Street		

Single Adults & Unaccompanied Youth (Ages 18-24)

ACCESS POINT	INQUIRY	EMERGENCY SHELTER
NOV - Toronto Center	Monday - Friday	Hours 11 - 7
2400 1st Avenue	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

ACCESS POINT

NOVA Project	Monday - Thursday	Hours 11 - 7
211 Adams Avenue	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

Veterans

ACCESS POINT	INQUIRY	EMERGENCY SHELTER
Shelby County Veterans Resource & Referral Center (SCVRC)	Monday - Saturday	Hours 11 - 7
200 Poplar Street	8 am - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

ACCESS POINT

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200 Poplar Street	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

Temporary Winter Sites--All Individuals & Families

ACCESS POINT	INQUIRY	EMERGENCY SHELTER
Shelby County Center	Monday & Friday	Hours 11 - 7
2400 1st Avenue	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

ACCESS POINT

East Community Social Services	Monday & Friday	Hours 11 - 7
12000 Grandview Avenue	12 pm - 5 pm	Monday-Friday

need of emergency shelter, please visit one of the Access Points listed on the attached flyer. At the Access Point, you will meet with a CAM staff member who will help determine alternatives to emergency shelter or provide a referral to emergency shelter. Please note that shelter space in Detroit is limited and is never guaranteed.

New Lead Safe Housing Rule Trainings and Resources Available



HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) is pleased to announce the launch of training and resource web pages to help users review federal lead regulations and the Lead Safe Housing Rule (LSHR) Amendment for pre-1978 housing. The goal of these pages is to support Public Housing Agencies (PHAs), grantees, and owners respond to cases of elevated blood lead levels in children less than 6 years old living in a federally assisted housing unit.

Lead Safe Housing Rule Training OLHCHH offers two webinars, geared towards different program types, that provide:

- A review on rules and requirements concerning lead safe work practices
- A description and discussion on the scope, requirements, and key definitions of the LSHR amendment
- An overview of available resources

[View the Lead Safe Housing Rule Training page.](#)

Lead Safe Housing Rule Resources Users can access resources discussed in the webinars that are organized by programtype: Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA), Public Housing, and Project-Based Assistance (PBA). View the Lead Safe Housing Rule Resources page.



New Housing and HIV Data Integration Toolkit

The "Sharing and Integrating HIV Client Data Across Provider Organizations to Improve Service Coordination" toolkit was designed to help organizations interested in sharing data across the HIV and housing sectors to improve care coordination and outcomes for people with HIV who experience housing instability. It was developed as a way to share lessons learned with others who are considering replicating similar efforts and highlights critical decision points and activities to consider in sharing data across service providers.

[Link below:](#)

The toolkit was produced by the RAND Corporation, with support from the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Special Projects of National Significance (SPNS) Program, HUD's Office of HIV/AIDS Housing (OHH), and the Minority HIV/AIDS Fund.

CoC Info Session

Thanks to all who attended the CoC Info Session on Friday, February 21.

Special thanks to the events facilitators, Coordinated Assessment Model (CAM) and City of Detroit and the event host Southwest Solutions.

Next CoC Info Session date is currently in the works.



Additional Resources

USICH recently released this webinar on Criteria and Benchmarks for Achieving the Goal of Ending Veteran Homelessness (link below).

<https://www.usich.gov/tools-for-action/criteria-and-benchmarks-for-achieving-the-goal-of-ending-veteran-homelessness>



United States Interagency
Council on Homelessness

When: March 10

Michigan Prepares for Coronavirus

USICH just recently announced a webinar about infectious disease preparation for homeless service providers that we want to share with you to help prepare in case the Coronavirus spreads to Michigan.

Trauma-Informed Care + Affordable Housing = Housing Stability

Don't Miss this Webinar

Infectious Disease Preparedness for Homeless Assistance Providers and Their Partners

Presenters:

- Dr. Barbara DiPietro, National Health Care for the Homeless Council
- Dr. Jay Butler, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Hedda McLendon, King County Department of Community and Human Services

March 10, 2020

3:00 - 4:30 PM ET

[Click Here to Join the Webinar](#)

Additional Coronavirus Resources:

Infectious Disease Toolkit for CoCs, Department of Housing and Urban Development

The toolkit consists of three documents that provide information for CoC leadership, homeless service providers, and partners to utilize when planning for and responding to infectious diseases. Each are entitled: Preventing and Managing the Spread of Infectious Disease -

- [- for People Experiencing Homelessness](#)
- [- within Shelters](#)
- [- within Encampments](#)

Steps Healthcare Facilities Can Take Now to Prepare for Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[Access National Healthcare for the Homeless Council's Resources on Influenza](#)

[Visit the HUD Exchange Disease Risks and Homelessness Page](#)



Michigan Homelessness Advocacy Day

March 11, 2020

#EndMIHomelessness

The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness invites you to

Homelessness Advocacy Day in Lansing!

Wednesday, March 11 from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

Join us as we advocate for improved policy to prevent and end homelessness! We'll provide the talking points, materials, and lunch. You bring your personal stories, enthusiasm, and passion.

This year we will be educating policy makers on our 2019-2020 legislative priorities

1. Increasing Access to Affordable Rental Units
2. Decreasing Barriers to Affordable Rental Units
3. Strengthening Funding for Homeless Services and Affordable Housing Opportunities

Lunch is included in the \$20 registration fee. Current MCAH Members receive a 50% discount! Not sure if you're a member? Contact Laurel at lburchfield@mihomeless.org to learn more about our membership program.

Please register online at : <http://bit.ly/2020HomelessnessAdvocacyDay>.

Individuals who have experienced homelessness are strongly encouraged to attend and share their stories!

We need your feedback!

Below are two opportunities to share your voice as we work to move things forward in our CoC.

2020 Governance Charter Revisions

Deadline: Tuesday, March 24, 2020 by 11:59pm

Draft of the Charter can be found here with rationale for each revision in the comments on the right hand side. Please enter your feedback here.

[Click Here to Provide Public Comments](#)

Detroit CoC Training Survey

Deadline: April 3, 2020 by 11:59pm

We would like your input as we strive to plan training opportunities for the Continuum for 2020 and coming years. Please let us know what trainings you would like to see.

Responses will be collected on a rolling basis but are due by *11:59pm on April 3rd* to be considered for development in 2020.

[Click here to tell us what Trainings you'd like to see!](#)

ATTENTION: WAYNE COUNTY RESIDENTS

MSHDA's HCV/PBV Program is partnering with the Peterboro Arms LDHA/LP, Coalition On Temporary Shelter (COTS), KMG Prestige Inc. and Community Management Associates, Inc. to make available supportive housing units with rental subsidies for 38 units (24-2BR/Apt, 14-3BR/Apt).located 26 Peterboro, Detroit, MI. Units available with mobility and hearing/visual features.

The Project Based Voucher (PBV) waiting list is established by MSHDA. The waiting list for the PBV rental assistance program will remain open indefinitely.

You may qualify for assistance at Peterboro Arms Apartments, if your income falls within the allowable limits (30% of area median income) for Wayne County, you have at least one dependent and no more than five dependents for a total of 6 household members. You must also meet at least one of the following Supportive Housing Categories:

- Homeless Category 1 – literally homeless
- Homeless Category 2 – at risk of homelessness within 14 days
- Homeless Category 4 – fleeing or attempting to flee domestic violence

Coalition on Temporary Shelter (COTS) is now accepting inquires. Please call: **313-446-8999 - Monday – Friday between the hours of 8:30am and 4:30pm** and leave your contact information. Staff at COTS will contact you with a time and place for a group meeting to determine your eligibility for placement on the PBV waiting list.

NOTE: Proof of legal identity (birth) and proof of a valid social security number will be required for all members of the household.



Deadline: Multiple (Please see newsletter)

Announcing the Activate Fund + Upcoming Events at Co.act Detroit!

[Click Here to View Full Newsletter](#)

Grant applications are now open for **the Activate Fund**, a \$1.5 million investment from the Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation to support nonprofit organizations' capacity through two key programs.

To help you write your best applications, we will be holding a number of information sessions and office hours!

Nonprofit Fundamentals Grant

Nonprofit Enterprise at Work (Washtenaw) Info Sessions

- March 9: 9AM to 10:30AM

Co.act Detroit (Wayne) Info Sessions

- March 10: 5:30 to 7PM
- March 18: 9 to 10:30AM
- March 21: 10 to 11:30AM|

Oakland University (Oakland) Info Sessions

- March 12: 7:30AM to 9:30AM

Advancing Macomb (Macomb) Info Sessions

- March 19: 1 to 2:30PM

Collaboration Pilot Grant

- Info Sessions at Co.act Detroit
 - March 11: 9 to 10:30AM
 - March 16: 5:30 to 7PM
 - March 21: 12:30 to 2PM

Featured Events

First Fridays: Coffee and Conversation - Friday, March 6, 8:30–10AM

Mindfulness in the Workplace and Beyond - Thursday, March 19, 6–7PM

Upcoming Events

Drop-In Work Day - Friday, March 13, 9AM–4PM

CultureSource Sustainable Fundraising for the Arts Series: The Art of Small Talk
Thursday, March 19, 12

Mindfulness in the Workplace and Beyond - Thursday, March 19, 6–8PM

Co.Lab Connect - Tuesdays and Thursdays

NEW Nonprofit Start Up Series: It's Your First Board - Thursday, March 26, 9AM–12PM

Drop-In Work Day - Friday, March 27, 9AM–4PM

Co.act Conversation Series - Boundless Possibilities:
Unlocking the Full Potential of the Nonprofit Sector with Vu Le
Tuesday, March 31, 9–11AM

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