



QUICK START HOUSING AND  
SERVICES INFORMATION FOR

## Lawrence County

This information is provided through a partnership with PHFA and the Regional Housing Coordinator Program of the Self-Determination Housing Project. It is designed to help individuals identify and contact local resources to help with housing and services issues. Updates or corrections may be provided to your local Regional Housing Coordinator (listed below).

### FREE to search FREE to List local housing in PA



## LOCAL HOUSING PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION

### Regional Housing Coordinator:

RHCs work with state agencies, service providers, and housing professionals to improve access to housing for people with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians.

### **Self-Determination Housing Project**

Kevin Huwe  
261 Old York Rd., Suite 321A  
Jenkintown, PA 19046  
[khuwe@sdhp.org](mailto:khuwe@sdhp.org)  
Ph: 610.873.9595 Website: [www.sdhp.org](http://www.sdhp.org)

### Access Modification Program:

This program provides resources to enable eligible persons with disabilities make their home more accessible.

### **Lawrence County Community Action Partnership**

241 W. Grant St.  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Ph: 724.658.7258 Website: [www.lccap.org](http://www.lccap.org)

### Builders Association:

Voluntary association of area builders; may have housing information or contacts for developers.

### **Lawrence County Builders Association**

Amy Kunselman  
1435 Devil's Elbow Rd.  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Ph: 724.658.4432  
Website: [www.lawrencecountybuilders.com](http://www.lawrencecountybuilders.com)

### Fair Housing Resources:

U.S., PA and local organizations offer info about fair housing and respond to complaints.

### **PA Human Relations Commission**

Pittsburgh Office: 412.565.5395  
Website: [www.phrc.state.pa.us](http://www.phrc.state.pa.us)

### **HUD Fair Housing Enforcement**

Pittsburgh Office: 412.644.6428

**Habitat for Humanity**

Organization builds “simple, decent, and affordable” housing using volunteer labor and supplies. Houses are sold at no profit.

**Lawrence County Habitat for Humanity**

138 W. Washington St.  
New Castle, PA 16101

[habitat@aol.com](mailto:habitat@aol.com)

Ph: 724.652.3438 Website: [www.lchfh-pa.org/](http://www.lchfh-pa.org/)

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**Housing Coalition or Local Housing Options****Team:**

Coalitions of housing and service providers organized to resolve local housing issues, including housing for people with disabilities.

**Lawrence County Community Action Partnership**

Stephanie Papach  
241 W. Grant St., PO Box 189  
New Castle, PA 16103

[spapach@lccap.org](mailto:spapach@lccap.org)

Ph: 724.658.7258 ext. 1211

Website: [www.lccap.org](http://www.lccap.org)

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**Housing Trust Fund:**

Potential local source of funds for affordable housing. Funds are distributed as follows:

**Lawrence County Planning Department**

Amy McKinney  
430 Court St.  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Ph: 724.656.2144

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**Landlord Association:**

Voluntary association of area landlords may offer information about available rentals.

**Western Pennsylvania Landlord Association**

PO Box 9353  
New Castle, PA 16107

[Lawrence@proassoc.org](mailto:Lawrence@proassoc.org)

Ph: 724.614.7712

Website: <http://new.palandlords.com/>

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**Public Housing Authority:**

Housing authorities in PA are operated at the county or local level. Most offer low-income, public housing units and vouchers to subsidize rent for eligible households.

**Lawrence County Housing Authority**

481 Neshannock Ave., PO Box 988  
New Castle, PA 16103

Ph: 724.656.5100

Website: [www.lawrencecountyha.com](http://www.lawrencecountyha.com)

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**Rural Housing Office:**

USDA Rural Housing Service operates rental housing, home purchase/repair loans, and other housing programs.

**Crawford Area Office**

14699 N. Main St., Extension  
Meadville, PA 16335

Ph: 814.336.6155 ext. 4

Website: [www.rurdev.usda.gov/pa](http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/pa)

## LOCAL SERVICE PROVIDER CONTACT INFORMATION

### **Local Lead Agency:**

PHFA encourages housing providers to partner with these Local Lead Agencies to establish a referral system for targeted rental units. LLAs serve as a clearinghouse to provide qualified referrals for available units in a timely fashion

### **Lawrence County Community Action**

Kathy Presnar  
[kpresnar@lccap.org](mailto:kpresnar@lccap.org)  
Ph: 724.658.7258

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### **Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs)**

ADRCs (also called LINKs) promote communication and training for agencies working with older adults and adults with disabilities.

Website: [http://www.anrinfo.org/link/lawrence-county/resources\\_supportive.shtml](http://www.anrinfo.org/link/lawrence-county/resources_supportive.shtml)

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### **Area Agency on Aging**

AAAs provide info and services for older adults and their caregivers. Services vary by agency.

### **Challenges Options in Aging**

Misty Miller and Melissa McClymonds  
Shenley Square, 2706 Mercer Rd.  
New Castle, PA 16105  
Ph: 724.658.3729  
Website: [www.ccpgh.org/page.aspx?pid=369](http://www.ccpgh.org/page.aspx?pid=369)

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### **Arc**

Arc works to include all children and adults with developmental and intellectual disabilities, working for inclusion in every community.

**None**

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### **Center for Independent Living (CIL)**

Each CIL provides 4 core services, including advocacy, information, and referral, peer mentoring, and independent living skills.

### **Disability Options Network**

101 South Mercer St., Suite 102  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Ph: 724.652.5144  
Website: [www.disabilityoptionsnetwork.org](http://www.disabilityoptionsnetwork.org)

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### **Community Action Agency**

Community Action Agencies help individuals and families work toward self-sufficiency while strengthening communities.

### **Lawrence County Community Action Partnership**

PO Box 189, 241 W. Grant St.  
New Castle, PA 16101  
Ph: 724.658.7528 Website: [www.lccap.org](http://www.lccap.org)

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### **Mental Health—Housing Specialist**

The MH Housing Specialist provides housing support so peoples with mental illness and co-occurring disorders can be integrated into community living.

Joe Venasco  
[jvenasco@co.lawrence.pa.us](mailto:jvenasco@co.lawrence.pa.us)  
Ph: 724.658.2538

**Homelessness Prevention Agency**

This agency provides case management, rental assistance, and transitional/emergency housing.

**Lawrence County Community Action Partnership**

PO Box 189, 241 W. Grant St.

New Castle, PA 16101

Ph: 724.658.7258 Website: [www.lccap.org](http://www.lccap.org)

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**Nursing Home Transition Team**

A collaborative effort using federal, state, and local resources and partnerships to move people from nursing homes back to their community or to help keep people in their community.

Website: [www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/nht/](http://www.dhs.pa.gov/citizens/alternativestonursinghomes/nht/)

To contact a local Nursing Home Transition Coordination Agency, visit the DHS Nursing Home Transition website using the link to the right. Scroll down to the section titled "Transition Preparation" to access the list of Nursing Home Transition Coordination Agencies.

**PA Office of Long Term Living**

Rachel Sink

[ra-pwnhtinfo@pa.gov](mailto:ra-pwnhtinfo@pa.gov)

Ph: 1.800.833.5196

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**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

OVR helps people with disabilities achieve employment and independence.

**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation**

100 Margaret St.

New Castle, PA 16101

Ph: 724.656.3070 Website: [www.dli.state.pa.us](http://www.dli.state.pa.us)

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**United Way**

Services vary in each community and typically include fund-raising, information, and referral.

**United Way of Lawrence County**

223 N. Mercer St., Suite 101

New Castle, PA 16101

[unitedway@adelphia.net](mailto:unitedway@adelphia.net)

Ph: 724.658.8528

Website: [www.unitedwayoflawrencecounty.org](http://www.unitedwayoflawrencecounty.org)

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**VA Homeless Services**

Benefits include an array of services to help veterans live as independently as possible including transition, case management, rehabilitation, and income supports.

**Butler VA Medical Center/VAMC/55 SW**

Melinda Hogue

353 N. Duffy Rd.

Butler, PA 16001

[Melinda.hogue@va.gov](mailto:Melinda.hogue@va.gov)

Ph: 800.362.8262 ext. 2479

**Medicaid – HealthChoices**

HealthChoices is the name of Pennsylvania's managed care programs for Medical Assistance recipients. There are three programs: Physical HealthChoices, Behavioral HealthChoices, and Community HealthChoices. Each offers quality medical care for your physical health, behavioral health, or your long-term support needs. For more information, please use the link to the right.

Website: [www.healthchoices.pa.gov/info/index.htm](http://www.healthchoices.pa.gov/info/index.htm)

**Medicaid – Waiver Information**

Waivers are part of Pennsylvania's Medicaid program and provide supports and services to help people to live in their communities instead of a facility like a nursing home. For more information, please use the link to the right

Website: [www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/index.htm](http://www.dhs.pa.gov/learnaboutdhs/waiverinformation/index.htm)