



## Quick Start Housing and Services Information for Elk County

This information is provided through a partnership with PHFA and the Inglis Self-Determination Housing of PA— Regional Housing Coordinator Program. It is intended to be an initial resource to housing services, therefore it is not an all-inclusive document. We encourage the use of PA 211 for additional information.

\*Updates or corrections may be provided to [sdhpinfo@inglis.org](mailto:sdhpinfo@inglis.org)

### [PAHousingSearch.com](http://PAHousingSearch.com)

A Free Service to List and Find Affordable  
Homes and Apartments across Pennsylvania



### Local Housing Provider Contact Information

**Regional Housing Coordinator Program**  
Coordinators work with state agencies, service providers, and housing professionals to improve access to housing for people with disabilities and older Pennsylvanians.

**Inglis Self-Determination Housing of PA**  
[SDHPInfo@inglis.org](mailto:SDHPInfo@inglis.org)  
[Information & Referral Request](#)  
[www.Inglis.org/RHC](http://www.Inglis.org/RHC)

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

**ACCESS Home Modification Assistance | Home Improvement & Repair Loans** (phfa.org)  
  
[www.phfa.org/programs/accesshomemod.aspx](http://www.phfa.org/programs/accesshomemod.aspx)

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

None

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**Fair Housing Resources**

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

**PA Human Relations Commission Pittsburgh Office**

412-565-5395

<https://www.pa.gov/agencies/phrc.html>

**HUD Fair Housing Enforcement**

Pittsburgh Office: 412-644-6428

**Fair Housing Law Center**

10 West Cherry Avenue, Washington, PA 15301

724-225-6170 | 877-725-4472 Toll Free

<https://fhlaw.org/>

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**Habitat for Humanity**

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

None

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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.

**Cameron and Elk Counties LHOT**

Sarah Grunthaler

[sgrunthaler@cemhmr.com](mailto:sgrunthaler@cemhmr.com)

814-772-8016, ext. 148

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**Housing Trust Fund**

Potential local source of funds for affordable housing. Funds are distributed as follows: board reviews and approvals.

**Elk County Planning Department**

Elk County Courthouse Annex, 300 Center Street, P.O. Box 448, Ridgway, PA 15853

[planning@countyofelkpa.com](mailto:planning@countyofelkpa.com)

814-776-5335

[www.co.elk.pa.us/index.php/about-elk-county-planning-department](http://www.co.elk.pa.us/index.php/about-elk-county-planning-department)

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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.

**Elk County Housing Authority**

424 Water St. Ext., P.O. Box 100, Johnsonburg, PA 15845

[sue@elkhousing.com](mailto:sue@elkhousing.com)

814-965-2532

<https://elkhousing.com>

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**Rural Housing Office**

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

**USDA Rural Housing Service**

359 East Park Drive, Suite 4, Harrisburg, PA 17111

[pasfh@usda.gov](mailto:pasfh@usda.gov)

717-237-2186

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

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**Local Service Provider Contact Information**

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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.

**PA Link to Aging and Disability Resource Center**  
Toll-Free Helpline: 1-800-753-8827  
Adam Bell, Lead Link Coordinator  
814-765-2696  
[abell@matureresources.life](mailto:abell@matureresources.life)

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**Area Agency on Aging (AAAs)**  
Provide info and services for older adults and their caregivers. Services vary by agency.

**Office of Human Services**  
108 Center St., P.O. Box A, Ridgway, PA 15853  
800-672-7145  
<https://ohsaging.com/>

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**The 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.

**Center for Independent Living Opportunities Life & Independence for Today**  
503 East Arch St., St. Marys, PA 15857  
[lifed@lifcil.org](mailto:lifed@lifcil.org)  
814-781-3050 | 814-781-3050 TTY  
[www.lifcil.org](http://www.lifcil.org)

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

**Northern Tier Community Action**  
135 W. 4<sup>th</sup> St., P.O. Box 389, Emporium, PA 15834  
814-486-1161  
[www.ntcac.org/](http://www.ntcac.org/)

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

**Cameron and Elk Counties Behavioral & Developmental Programs**  
Sarah Grunthamer  
[sgrunthamer@cemhmr.com](mailto:sgrunthamer@cemhmr.com)  
814-772-8016, ext. 148  
<https://www.cemhmr.org>

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**Homelessness Prevention Agency**  
This agency provides case management, rental assistance, and transitional/emergency housing.

**Cameron and Elk Counties Behavioral & Developmental Programs**  
2070 Court Street, Ridgway, PA 15853  
814-772-8016  
<https://www.cemhmr.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. 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.

**Transition from Nursing Home to Community Care | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (pa.gov)**  
Office of Long-Term Living (OLTL) Nursing Home Transition Helpline: 1-800-833-5196

**Acentra Health**  
888-204-8781  
<https://paspecializedservices.acentra.com>

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**Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR)**

OVR helps people with disabilities achieve employment and independence.

**Vocational Rehabilitation Services**

199 Beaver Dr., DuBois, PA 15801  
814-371-7340 (Voice) | 814-371-7505 (TTY) | 800-922-4017\* (Voice)

<https://www.pa.gov/services/dli/apply-for-vocational-rehabilitation-services.html>

**Blindness & Visual Services**

4200 Lovell Place, Erie, PA 16503  
814-871-4401 (Voice) | 814-871-4599 (TTY) | 866-521-5073\* (Voice) | 888-884-5513\* (TTY)

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**United Way**

United Way services vary in each community and typically include fund-raising, information, and referral.

**St. Marys Area United Way**

250 Depot Street, St. Marys, PA 15857

[unitedway@smauw.org](mailto:unitedway@smauw.org)

814-781-6000

<https://www.smauw.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.

**Erie VA Medical Center**

Jonathan Atkinson, LPC  
Erie VAMC Homeless Care Program Supervisor  
135 East 38<sup>th</sup> Street, Erie, PA 16504-1559  
[jonathan.atkinson@va.gov](mailto:jonathan.atkinson@va.gov)  
814-860-2038

**National Call Center for Homeless Veterans**

877-424-3838

**Soldier On**

425 North Main Street, Building 6, Leeds, MA 01053  
[info@wesoldieron.org](mailto:info@wesoldieron.org)  
866-406-8449  
<https://wesoldieron.org/>

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**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.

**Pennsylvania Enrollment Services**

[www.enrollnow.net](http://www.enrollnow.net)

1-800-440-3989 (toll free) | 1-800-618-4225 (TTY)  
Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

**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.

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