

Lubbock County Assistance programs.

Below you will find information on various charities, non-profits, churches, and government programs in Lubbock Texas. Get help with rent and housing expenses, utility bills, free food, and much more. A combination of churches may offer help along with charities, clinics for free medical or dental care, and even government grant and loan programs can be used as a form of financial help.

Water Rate Assistance Program

Due to recent increases in water bills, the City of Lubbock has started a Water Rate Assistance Program. It will help those with limited means pay their water bill. While the program will not eliminate water utility charges that households need to pay, it does help provide an adjustment to the monthly water bill to assist qualifying customers with payment of a water bill. Reductions and savings provided will be as much as \$5.40 per month. Lubbock is also encouraging the use of [WaterSense water saving](#) products. Or call (806) 775-2291.

Across the Street

This non-profit agency administers a grant to low income and the working poor for rent help and utility bill assistance. The financial funding offered from this assistance program is very limited and individuals as well as families need to meet strict criteria.

In addition, they run a center known as the Village Market Place, which is a thrift store operated by Across the Street ministry. The store provide food, clothes and household goods at a reduced price for families in need. Some furniture may be sold too. Dial (806) 762-4010 to reach the ministry, which is located in Lubbock Texas. [Click here](#).

Catholic Families Services of Lubbock

Some of the services and resources offered include a food pantry; clothing and household good vouchers; utility; prescription medication; and eye glass assistance - no contacts. Other programs offered will help low-income, mostly single parents complete their college education by providing financial assistance and advice to help with with tuition, textbooks, rent, childcare, mileage reimbursement, and utilities expenses. Find additional [scholarship programs](#).

The churches that work with Catholic Charities also can help the less fortunate. Many will have a hot meal or a few dollars for a bill when you are out of all other options. The centers are also a great place to call for referrals to other emergency assistance and social service programs in the greater Lubbock region. Call (806) 725-5211, or [click here](#).

Lubbock County General Assistance

Low Income residents and households with totally disabled adult or minor child, and the household has to be without income for thirty days, may be able to get help from this agency. Programs offered may include rent help, which will assist with the partial payment towards the current month's rent. In addition, electric and utilities may be able to get help. Receive payment for utility bills, and the funds will be provided for the current month only. Dial (806) 775-1080, or [read more Lubbock County public assistance](#).

Salvation Army of Lubbock

This charity organization may be able to provide individuals with limited emergency financial assistance, and help is available only once every six months. These services provided to low income individuals include: free food, clothing vouchers, food vouchers, utility and cooling bills assistance, rent assistance, mortgage and foreclosure prevention assistance, and prescription assistance. Dial (806) 765-9434 to find additional mortgage programs.

The Salvation Army corps also offers some seasonal and specialty programs to Lubbock Texas families. Some examples of these services include Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Children may receive free toys/gifts, and seniors both presents and companionship. Other aid include school items, referrals, and shelter. [Click here](#) for more details.

Lutheran Social Services

Low income, unemployed, and working poor Lubbock Texas residents can turn to this agency. Dial (806) 741-0459. Health care and emergency assistance is offered. The services are provided to local, low income and other residents who are in need of food, utility, and prescription assistance. In addition, diapers and hygiene products are also available. If you need medical care, Health for Friends clinic offers quality health care services for people who might not be able to otherwise have access to health care because they cannot afford health insurance, or can't pay medical bills. [Learn more](#) on national health care programs.

Money Management International

Lubbock homeowners and consumers can receive foreclosure advice and counseling, information on mortgage programs, and debt reduction from this agency. Dial (888) 845-5669.

Financial assistance with bills, rent, housing, and other basic needs in Lubbock Texas

Life Run Center for Independent Living - Services and assistance administered includes independent living skills, Nursing Home Relocation services, advocacy, Social Security Payee Services, information & referral, government benefits planning, vocational programs, housing, home for life, Olmstead vouchers, and comprehensive electric and energy bill assistance. 4902 34th Street, Suite 5, Lubbock, Texas 79410, call (806)795-5433

Catholic Family Services CFS – Administers utility and energy bill assistance for Lubbock families, if they meet conditions. They include the family must have income; need to have a child in the house, and more. 102 Avenue J, Lubbock, Texas 79401, phone (806)765-8475

Neighborhood House operates across the county. Several churches and other social service organizations are working together to help the poor, low income, and unemployed. A big focus is on basic needs, and this will be free food, Thanksgiving and Christmas assistance programs. Some emergency financial aid may be available from time to time from this Lubbock charity. Families can receive help with rent, energy bills, or applications to the Comprehensive Energy Assistance (CEAP) Program in Texas. [More](#).

Family Promise of Lubbock, or Interfaith Hospitality, provides referrals and uses volunteers to support low income families. They help with homeless prevention from a Housing Court, can offer shelter, transitional housing and other assistance. Call 806-744-5035, or find [Family Promise of Lubbock programs](#).

Lubbock County emergency eviction help and rapid rehousing is available using grants. Qualified tenants as well as homeless individuals can receive everything from free motel vouchers to funds for paying rent or water bills. Other aid from HPRP may be shelters or case management. Financial aid for bills such as rent or electricity is limited and is mostly from referrals to loan programs and similar options. [More information](#).

Utility and cooling bill assistance - Lubbock is served by two non-profit organizations. They can provide repairs to heating or cooling equipment and also direct financial assistance for paying bills as part of the Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP). There is also a crisis component as well for those lower income families who are faced with a disconnection. [Read more](#).

Basic needs, such as clothes and holiday assistance, is provided by regional clothing closets. Several thrift stores can also help Lubbock County families. What is available will change throughout the year as they depend on donations. However the non-profits may have free school supplies, work clothes, Christmas gifts and toys for children, and vouchers. More on [clothing closets in Lubbock County](#).

Free holiday programs - Residents of Lubbock County can get help at Christmas and Thanksgiving. There are places that pass out free Christmas presents and toys along with food. Immigrants and Spanish speaking families can apply too. Or drop in for a free Thanksgiving turkey dinner or Christmas meal. Continue with [free holiday and Christmas help in Lubbock County](#).

Housing programs - There are several organizations that focus on homeless and eviction prevention. They may offer everything from emergency one time rent help, landlord/tenant mediation or funds to pay a security deposit on a new, low income apartment. Find a listing of [Lubbock rental assistance agencies](#).

City of Lubbock Community Agency

The Lubbock County Texas community action agency is made up of multiple organizations that partner together. They offer various assistance programs and services including weatherization, which helps save on energy bills. The Comprehensive Energy Assistance Program (CEAP) provides cash grants for paying utilities such as electric bills. The agency can refer individuals to rental assistance and low income housing too.

The Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) is an annual allotment given by the federal government. It may be able to provide financial assistance, low interest loans for bills or deposits and counseling. Many other programs are offered as well.

Much of the rental assistance is paid for by the Emergency Solutions Grant. However, the agency to call for funds from this ESG program, including for information on security deposits, is the Lubbock Texas based Family Promise (phone 806-744-5035). Other Community Action Agency programs include home repairs, help for victims of domestic violence, and energy conservation. Find more details on [community action in Lubbock](#).

Community clinics

Some of the clinics in the county include **Lubbock Children Health Clinic** (dial (806) 749-3800), **Larry Combest Community Health Center** ((806) 743-2255), and the **Community Health Center of Lubbock** ((806) 765-2611). Most of these sites will help low income and people with poor health insurance coverage, or no insurance. Many services are offered based on a patients ability to pay medical bills. Or locate [additional Lubbock clinics](#).

Food pantries

Call any of the following for free food, groceries, or other household products, which may be offered. The list below is just a sampling of the non-profits that are available for low income and/or struggling residents. There are **other charities to try** as well. If the food banks below can't help you, find [more food pantries in Lubbock Texas](#).

- **First Baptist Church - Lubbock** (806) 747-0281
- **Green Lawn Church of Christ** - (806) 795-4377
- **Mission Lubbock** - (806) 687-8452
- **South Plains Church of Christ** - (806) 794-3594

211 Services (South Plains Services): <https://www.211texas.org/> or <https://www.211texas.org/add-or-edit-your-2-1-1-listing/south-plains/>

Texas Assistance and Financial Aid Programs.

You can get assistance and grants in all **counties and cities in Texas listed below**, including Houston and Dallas. Get help for rent, utilities, free food, and health care. Also, in addition to the state programs listed below, find government assistance as well as organizations and charities in Texas that can provide additional emergency financial help with many different types of bills.

The Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) manages the operations of the entire health and human services system in the state. It is made up of other agencies and it provides administrative oversight of all of Texas health and human services programs. Assistance programs and grants offered include:

Rental Assistance

Referrals are available from the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. There is a statewide database administered that residents can dial for information. There may be vouchers to assist those in need with paying their rent. Also get government assistance with other needs, including lease application fees, information on low income housing and security deposits. Dial 1-877-541-7905 to find additional ways to get rent help.

Mortgage and Foreclosure Aid

Texas offers programs that can help you with paying your mortgage and also avoid foreclosure. Local resources, including government and non-profit assistance, can help qualified homeowners. More details on [Texas mortgage assistance programs](#).

Homeowners have other resources too. Also click here for a listing of [Texas HUD counseling agencies](#) that provide free foreclosure counseling.

Texas Medicaid Program

This is the Federal and State cooperative program that helps provide medical coverage to eligible needy persons. The purpose of Medicaid in the state of Texas is to improve the health of people who might otherwise go without adequate or proper medical care for themselves and their children. There are also ways to get free health care, prescription drugs, and more. Dial 1-800-925-9126.

Food Stamp Program

The Texas Food Stamp Program will help people with lower incomes and resources buy the food they need for their good health. Food stamps are typically provided to a single family or person who meets the program's requirements. 1-877-541-7905

Texas Church Programs

Thousands of faith based charities across Texas can provide financial assistance. The programs vary, but there may be money for housing, free food, volunteers that repair cars, and other support. Find [help paying bills from churches](#).

Emergency Food Stamps

Emergency food stamps are also sometimes called or known as expedited food stamps because the benefits are given faster to those families and individuals in an emergency situation.

Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF)

To receive a TANF grant, a family must be below both resource and income limits that are set for the program. HHSC will look at a family's income and then compare it with the amount the family pays for bills including basic needs such as utilities, rent, child care, outstanding debts, and other work-related expenses. All resources such as money in the bank, cash on hand, and type of vehicles you own are also considered. Families who are approved for the TANF program will receive cash payments for six months to help with bills and debt. Families who receive TANF benefits can also receive Medicaid benefits.

One-Time TANF

One-time TANF grant payment will provide a \$1,000 payment in cash for families that are in a short term crisis. Phone 1-877-541-7905. The purpose of the one-time TANF payment is to help families with a short-term crisis such as:

- Loss of a job.
- Not being able to get to their jobsite because their vehicle is not working.
- Loss of financial support they were receiving for a child, such as loss of child support. The payment can help with paying living expenses (utilities, rent, and food).
- Not being able to find a job after graduating from a college, university, junior college or technical training school.
- Loss of an apartment or home.
- Medical or health care emergency.
- Grandparents caring for a loved one.

Employment Services, Case Management, and Grants

Low income families in Texas can receive a number of services from a community action agency. Case managers can help you find a job, access education services, and apply for government grants. More information on [community action agencies in Texas](#).

Texas Employment and Training Assistance

Individuals that are seeking additional training, experience in the workplace, or that are unemployed can get help in searching for jobs and gaining new skills. Workforce Solution Offices administer several services for residents. Find more information on [job training in Texas](#).

Disability Resources

Texas offers assistance programs for disabled individuals and their caregivers. The Department of Disability Services is the lead agency and can provide information on medical care, in home services, home modifications, and provide assistance with the application process and other forms of financial benefits. More [disability programs in Texas](#).

Legal Aid

Receive free legal services. Programs that offer advice and representation are available for qualified low and moderate income Texas residents. Find free [legal help in Texas](#).

Womens Health Program

The Women's Health Program will provide some Medicaid services to women who are aged from 18 to 44 and who have limited incomes. This program will provide one year of assistance / coverage and it can be renewed each year the woman qualifies.

Childrens Health Insurance Program (CHIP) Perinatal Coverage

The CHIP program, which is perinatal coverage, will provide prenatal care for pregnant women who meet certain income requirements, if the applicant does not qualify for Medicaid, and if the person does not have any other health coverage. 1-877-543-7669

Low-income children can receive health care coverage from this program through the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) or the Children's Medicaid program. Both of these programs will provide a wide range of benefits to keep kids healthy, including immunizations, doctor's visits, prescription drugs, lab and X-ray charges, eyeglasses, hospital care, and dental services.

Energy and Utility Company Programs

While assistance programs for paying energy bills are offered in your county per the resources below, other financial aid programs are administered by non-profits and directly by power companies. More on [Texas utility assistance](#) programs.

Texas Senior Assistance Programs

The Department of Aging and Disability Services offers resources for senior citizens and people over 55. The agency is also one of the leading providers of free information, referrals, and advice on government and emergency assistance. Find more information on senior care and [Texas Agency on Aging assistance programs](#).

Rental Vouchers in Texas

The primary program is section 8, however there are also resources for the disabled and senior citizens. The federal government housing choice voucher program can pay a portion of a beneficiary rent. Find a list of [HUD section 8 voucher for rent in Texas](#).

Social Services and Government Aid

The leading organization to contact is the Texas Health and Human Services Commission. Resources offered range from free medical and dental care, to food assistance and energy bill help. More [public assistance in Texas](#).

Telephone Bill Programs

The Public Utility Commission of Texas oversees programs known as Lifeline and Link-Up. These provide discounts on monthly cellular or home phone costs as well as the set up fees for new service. Some households may even be provided a free telephone from this government assistance program. More on [Lifeline in Texas](#).

Financial Assistance for Crisis

While funding is limited, and only qualified people may get help, the Salvation Army is a leading charity to call for assistance. Programs can help pay rent, utility bills, provide food and vouchers, and other aid. Learn more on [Texas Salvation Army emergency assistance](#).

Texas Eviction Assistance and Programs for Homeless

A number of non-profits focus on both preventing homelessness and offer rehousing services. Government grants can be obtained for paying rent, free legal aid is available for eviction prevention as well as financial assistance for security deposits. Shelters and low income housing sites are other options. Find [homeless prevention in Texas](#).

Debt Consolidation, Credit Card Bills, and Financial Counseling

Contact credit counselors from non-profit organizations for low cost or even free advice. They can work with you to help you develop a budget, get out of debt and pay bills. More on [Texas credit counseling](#).

Texas Food Banks and Distribution Centers

Get information on where to go to in Texas for free food and groceries. The low income, working poor, and hungry can use the sites. Food banks and pantries offer food and groceries to people who need help. Find [free emergency food pantries in Texas](#).

Child Care Subsidies and Financial Aid

Low income families that are working, attending school or training for a job may qualify for government assistance on a portion of their child care costs. Workforce Solutions offices in Texas oversee this state and federal government grant program. Click more [Texas child and day care assistance](#).

Community Clinics for Health Care

Hundreds of clinics and medical centers are located across Texas, and many of them can provide low cost, or maybe even free, health and/or dental care to patients. Find a [local Texas community clinic](#).

Medical Care and Assistance for Uninsured

Several programs are available for residents who lack health insurance or who are underinsured. The state and partner agencies will provide services such as free medications, specialty care, checks ups, coverage for preexisting conditions and more. Continue [Texas uninsured medical care](#).

Statewide Agencies for Affordable Housing

The Texas Homeless Network partners with municipal governments, charities, and non-profits on solving housing needs. They offer assistance to the homeless, immigrants, single parents, and other groups in an effort to stop homeless and increase the number of affordable apartments. Read more [Texas Homeless Network](#).

Dental Care and Related Services

A large number of community clinics, non-profits, and medical providers offer the low income, people with limited or no insurance with dental care. Get information on [Texas dental clinics](#).